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Note: This information is taken from a transcription published in 1957 "The Jamboree Story" of the history of the 1st World Scout Jamboree, 1920. Two International Meetings were held at the Jamboree with the following decisions recorded, these are not official resolutions.

1920-01 International Scout Conference Frequency

It was decided that a regular conference should be held biennially, and that the next should be in Paris in 1922.

1920-02 International Bureau Location

It was also recommended that an International Bureau should be established in London. This was made immediately possible by the generous financial support of Mr. F.F. Peabody of the United States of America; his encouragement was further strengthened by another American, Mr. Mortimer Schiff. The administrative and driving force was provided by Mr. Hubert S. Martin, C.V.O., C.B.E., who for eighteen years served as the Honorary Director of the Boy Scouts International Bureau.

PARIS, FRANCE, JULY 22-29, 1922

1922-01 Conference Voting

The Conference decided that for voting purposes each *nation* should have six votes, equally divided amongst its associations if there be more than one.

1922-02 Executive Committee

- 1) That an Executive Committee be appointed, consisting of nine members, to act on behalf of the International Conference between its biennial meetings.
- 2) That the following be appointed to act until the next Conference:
 1. Count Mario di Carpegna
 2. The Lord Hampton
 3. Hon. Myron T Herrick
 4. Major Ebbe Lieberath
 5. Count H. Marty
 6. Sir Alfred Pickford
 7. Mr. Mortimer L. Schiff
 8. Dr. A.B. Svojsik
 9. Mr. Emmerich Teuber
- 3) Duties of the Executive Committee:

That the Executive Committee hold office until the next meeting of the Conference and have power:

 1. After investigating and after consulting all affiliated Associations, to decide as to the admission of organisation applying for recognition and registration.

Should any three countries oppose admission, the question to be referred to the next International Conference.
 2. To draw up the regulations and programme of future Conferences.
 3. To supervise the financial management of the International Bureau.
 4. To appoint the director of the International Bureau to whom may be delegated such duties as the Committee may deem desirable, including
 - a) Publicity and the collection and centralisation for use of all Scouts papers and journals all over the world.
 - b) Liason purposes, i.e., the development of the Scout Brotherhood by International correspondence, the exchange of visits abroad, camps and attendance at the principal national celebrations.
 - c) All enquiries into applications for membership, requests for assistance, etc.
 - d) Publication of the JAMBOREE and collaboration therein of correspondents appointed all over the world.
 - e) Work connected with the organisation of all Congresses, Jamborees, etc.
 - f) The sending out of instructors, Scout literature, etc., on the request of a recognised Association or the properly constituted ******* ities in any country where no Scout organisation exists.
 5. ******* represent the International Conference between its biennial meetings, and draft such constitution and bye-laws as may be *******ry for conduct of the work of the International Bureau.
 6. To fill vacancies in its membership.

The Chief Scout and the Director of the Bureau shall be *ex-officio* members of the Committee without votes.

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1922-03 Chief Scout of the World

This Conference re-affirms its recognition of Sir Robert Baden-Powell as the Chief Scout of the world, and asserts its belief that the ideals as set forth in "Scouting for Boys" are so fundamental as to transcend the limit of race and country.

They place on record their appreciation of the immense obligation under which the world lies for the system which his genius has evolved and the distribution of that system to all nations to which his personality has materially contributed.

1922-04 International Bureau

This Conference affirms its conviction that the formation of the International Bureau which resulted from the Jamboree held in London in 1920 has been an unqualified success in promoting harmonious relations between the different Boy Scouts' Organizations in the world - a success to which the services of Mr. H.B. Martin, the first director, have greatly contributed - to Mr. Martin the Conference tenders its grateful thanks for his self-sacrificing labours, his broad outlook, and his unfailing tact and courtesy.

1922-05 Hospitality of Conference

That this Conference desires to offer hearty thanks to all those to whose work and hospitality the success, inspiration and pleasure of the Conference are due - to the French Government for sympathy and support; to the city of Paris for co-operation; to the French Committee for the arrangements; to Monsieur Marty; to the interpreters and their assistants; and finally to the Boy Scouts, who have acted as messengers and in many other capacities with unfailing courtesy and consideration.

1922-06 Cooperation with Institutions Focused on Youth

That this Conference places on record its desire to work on terms of harmonious co-operation with all institutions and individuals having for their object the welfare and wholesome upbringing of the rising generation.

1922-07 Girl Guides

That the organisations for girls corresponding to the Girl Guide Movement should not use the name "Scout," "Eclaireuse," or any name causing confusion with the Boy Scout Movement.

It is felt that the best results will be secured by keeping the two movements separate and distinct in every way, each extending to the other helpful co-operation.

1922-08 Child Welfare

That it be brought to the notice of the proper authorities and of those interested in child welfare, that the Boy Scout Movement may be considered as an effective means of preventing crime and delinquency among youth.

1922-09 Fleur-de-Lys

That the universal acceptance of the Fleur-de-Lys as the Scout emblem was impracticable, inasmuch as in certain countries (notably France), the Fleur-de-Lys has a political significance.

1922-10 Translation of "Jamboree"

That in future JAMBOREE should be published in the French and English languages only, and that the space so set free should be utilised by additional matter.

1922-11 Membership, Voluntary

The Conference affirms that it is undesirable that Scouting should be made compulsory.

1922-12 Unity

The Conference decided that wherever possible, in the best interests of the boys of all nations, every reasonable effort be made for an amalgamation of the various associations in any one country and if this be impracticable, the various associations concerned arrange amongst themselves for the selection of one International Commissioner to do business with the International Bureau.

1922-13 University Scout Clubs

Having regard to the opportunity for the development of Scoutmaster leadership represented by older Scouts in colleges and universities, the International Conference recognizes and encourages the organization of university and Scout clubs as a desirable means of the extension of our Scout ideals.

1922-14 Registration

That the Egyptian Boy Scout Association, the Iraq Boy Scouts Association, and the Albanian Boy Scouts Association be recognised and registered by the International Bureau.

1922-15 Applications for Membership

That the applications, for recognition from Mexico and Syria be referred to the Executive Committee.

COPENHAGEN, DENMARK, AUGUST 18-20, 1924

Note: Resolutions 1924-01 to 1924-09 are Resolutions of Thanks and Appreciation

1924-10 Publications, Copyright

The Conference suggests that all official publications shall be interchangeable when there is no copyright, and with an indication of the source, with the right of free translation by the different Associations of the world of any article of their contents and of free use of their cuts.

1924-11 Patrons of Scouting

The Conference suggests to all Boy Scout Associations in the world that they should consider the desirability of troops choosing for themselves patrons from amongst the great men or women of history, and thus promote civic education of the youth in the spirit of the highest human ideals as conceived and realised by this or that particular race.

1924-12 Protection of Uniform, Etc.

The Conference resolved that an effort be made in all countries where Scouting is organized, to prevent or combat any unauthorized use of Scout titles, uniforms, badges or insignia, and likewise all attempts to exploit the popular interest in Scouting apart from the official purposes of the respective Scout organizations.

1924-13 Speaking/Writing in Foreign Countries

The Conference resolved that Scout officials be requested to consult with the Scout organizations of a foreign country, before accepting invitations to make public addresses or to write for publication in such foreign country on subjects involving an interpretation of Scouting or of its organization or methods of procedure, so as to avoid any possibility of friction or of embarrassment.

1924-14 Principles of Scouting

The Boy Scouts International Conference declares that the Boy Scout Movement is a movement of national, international and universal character, the object of which is to endow each separate nation and the whole world with a youth which is physically, morally and spiritually strong.

It is national in that it aims, through national organizations, at endowing every nation with useful and healthy citizens.

It is international in that it recognizes no national barrier in the comradeship of the Scouts.

It is universal in that it insists upon universal fraternity between all Scouts of every nation, class or creed.

The Scout Movement has no tendency to weaken but, on the contrary, to strengthen individual religious belief. The Scout Law requires that a Scout shall truly and sincerely practice his religion, and the policy of the Movement forbids any kind of sectarian propaganda at mixed gatherings.

1924-15 Relations with Youth Movements

The Conference, after having heard the speech of Dr. Nitobé, representing the League of Nations, instructs the International Bureau to consider the establishment of relations with the advisory committee for boy scouts, girl guides and youth movements of the secretariat of the League of Nations, in order to draw up a programme for mutual co-operation.

1924-16 Policy, Non-Military

This Conference re-asserts and emphasizes the non-military character of the Boy Scout Movement.

The aims and ideals of the Movement are directed towards the development of a spirit of harmony and goodwill between individuals and between nations. (Re-affirmed 1963-16)

1924-17 Policy, International Recognition

This Conference desires to emphasize that in pursuance of the main object of the International Bureau, applications from national Boy Scout organizations for registration are not only welcomed but cordially invited. To preserve the essential unity of the World Boy Scout Movement and to ensure that the World Movement shall have as its unalterable foundation the recognition of Scout brotherhood, regardless of race, creed or class, certain conditions are essential.

It is the sense of this Conference that the International Committee in adjudicating on applications for registration apart from compliance with ordinary conditions should in so far as possible insist:

- a) That where more than one organization exists there shall be a federation based on the common Scout objective.
- b) That there should be no discrimination as to admission to membership of fellow subjects or citizens for any reason of race, creed or politics.

KANDERSTEG, SWITZERLAND, AUGUST 22-28, 1926

Note: Resolutions 1926-01 to 1926-10 are Resolutions of Thanks and Appreciation.

1926-11 Jamborees, Competition

The Conference recommends to the International Bureau that in planning for future Jamborees the programme be based on Scouting activities under conditions where competitions are reduced to a minimum and emphasis be placed on all-round Scout efficiency, where there is an opportunity to demonstrate Scout training.

Further, that in all events of a competitive nature involving physical strain, participation be limited to those specially trained for such events, and who are proven to be physically fit after suitable physical examination just prior to the event.

And further, that awards be limited to simple symbols of Scouting, and that, hereafter, no international championship awards be made.

1926-12 Registration

That the Exploradores Nacionales de la Republica Mexicana (Boy Scouts Association of Mexico) be forthwith recognised and registered with the International Bureau.

1926-13 Conferences, Preliminary Papers

The Conference requests that at future International Scout Conferences the text of reports be submitted, with translations, before the sessions. This would permit a study of questions before discussion, and would render many improvised translations unnecessary and thereby save time.

1926-14 Changes to Scout Promise and Law

The conference resolves that it is the duty of any Association registered with the International Bureau to notify the Bureau in the event of that Association having made, or intending to make, any modification in the Scout Promise, Scout Law, or in any other regulation embodying the essential principles of Scouting.

1926-15 Minorities

The Conference earnestly exhorts the national Boy Scout associations in countries where there are minorities, to give those minorities the right to form Scout troops, which, while belonging to the national association and subject to their statutes, have the right to use their own language in their inner life and to nominate their own Scoutmasters and leaders, who, however, must be citizens of the state.

The Conference further resolves that in its opinion any difficulty concerning Scouts belonging to a nationality in minority in a state should be dealt with directly between the Boy Scouts association of their original state and that of the state in which they are citizens. In the event of the two associations after serious consideration being unable to agree, the question should be submitted to the International Committee through the International Bureau for definite solution and decision.

1926-16 Request to the Press

The conference addresses an earnest request to the Press of the world to refrain from using the terms "Scout," "Eclaireur," "Scouting," etc., in their reports unless the matters referred to therein refer to members of recognised Scout organisations.

It has been observed that in Press reports, touring, hiking, outdoor excursions, picnics, river-camping, etc., are frequently confused with scouting, the expression "scouting" being applied to activities which have nothing in common with the Scout movement. The Press, who have always supported the Scout movement, will render the movement inestimable service by distinguishing between true scouting and false imitations.

1926-17 Travelling Facilities

The Conference notes with satisfaction the progress which has already been achieved in the matter of obtaining travelling facilities for groups of Boy Scouts belonging to an Association affiliated to the International Bureau and considering that, in the promotion of contact between young people of different nationalities, this question is one of fundamental importance, expresses a hope that in countries where no steps have as yet been taken in this direction, appropriate measures may be urged and adopted, and that countries which have already granted facilities will carefully consider whether any further concessions could be granted, in view of the importance of the aim in view, particularly in respect of elder scouts - Rovers-over the age of 18.

1926-18 Protection of Children

The conference strongly supports the resolution of the League of Nations Advisory Committee for the protection of children that in future town planning the question of the provision of open spaces for recreation and of swimming baths be kept in view and requests the members of the conference to bring this matter to the notice of their respective national delegates to the League of Nations.

1926-19 Child Welfare and Development

The conference associates itself with the declaration of the Comité d'Entente des Grandes Associations Internationales as follows:

"Implant the child in his natural environment, that is in his family and country, this remaining to-day, as formerly, the first principle of sound education.

"This is a permanent necessity, but it is even more marked, following upon the great upheaval, which has shaken all mankind broken down so many old barriers, and has left so many element of trouble in our minds as well as in material things.

"Both for his well-being, as well as for the general good, the child, who is the future citizen, must be brought up to understand his duty, and learn that he must faithfully discharge all his obligations to his family, his comrades, his village or city, and to his country. He must be shown, moreover, that this necessary solidarity cannot, nor ought to stop at national frontiers: for amongst the various peoples, as amongst the different members of the same society, there is a community of rights and duties, and at the same time an inter-dependence which is continually increasing.

"The child must learn that civilisation has been, and still remains the common work of all the peoples, including those which in history have been most strongly opposed; and that, from the consciousness of this common heritage, and the desire to maintain and develop it, notwithstanding divergencies, the League of Nations came into being.

"Therefore, starting with the home, and from the beginnings of education in common, at school and in the organisations completing the work of the school, the child should be taught to be courteous to strangers, and his curiosity should be aroused to know their customs, and to understand their language and thoughts.

"The teacher should be able to find, in order to illustrate this spirit, excellent help in reading books, magic lanterns, films, pictures, etc., in the teaching of geography, history, letters, science and art.

"Enquiries should be undertaken in order to give to these different pedagogical instruments their greatest efficacy, and adapt them to the progressive needs of primary and secondary education.

"The young people of each country should be brought into as direct contact as possible with those of other countries, by every available means, such as visits abroad, courses of study, camps, exchange of letters, drawings, handicrafts, etc.

"These international exchanges completed, and extended in all directions, and in all forms of education by contact between pupils, young apprentices, students, professors - are suitable for directing young people towards the method of intellectual cooperation, and for favouring the work of the League of Nations."

1926-20 International Jamboree and International Conference 1929

The conference decided that the next International Jamboree and conference should be held in the year 1929 and that the question of the place at which it should be held be referred to the International Committee for decision.

BIRKENHEAD, UNITED KINGDOM, AUGUST 7-8, 1929

Note: Resolutions 1929-01 to 1929-12 are Resolutions of Thanks and Appreciation.

1929-13 International Committee

That the members of the former International committee be re-elected, with the exception of Lord Hampton and Captain Teuber, who are not willing to accept re-election. These two vacancies to be filled by Pere J. Jacobs and Count P. Teleki.

1929-14 Camping in Foreign Countries

That the proposal from France concerning camping in foreign countries be approved in principle, particularly as regards the giving of adequate notice to the country concerned. The International Bureau to be instructed to prepare a suitable form.

1929-15 Travelling, Facilities, Accommodation

That in connection with travelling facilities, accommodation etc., in accordance with the proposal from Hungary, all Scout Associations be requested to forward to the International Bureau the following information:

- a) To whom communications on the subject should be addressed.
- b) What (if any) concessions are granted on rail fares. Details of percentage of normal fare required.
- c) What passport formalities are required (if any).

International Bureau to prepare pamphlet from information thus received.

1929-16 National Camps

(Dutch proposal). That all Associations organizing national scout gatherings to which scouts from other countries are invited, should be requested to hold such national gatherings between July 15th and August 5th, if in any possible.

1929-17 International Conference 1931

That the kind invitation of the Austrian Association to hold the 1931 Conference at Salzburg (Austria) be accepted, subject to subsequent confirmation by the International Committee.

1929-18 International Rover Moot 1931

That approval of the holding of an International Rover moot at Kandersteg in 1931, immediately before or after the International Conference at Salzburg, be reaffirmed.

1929-19 Foreign Scouts, Admission

The Conference decides that the first two recommendations made by the delegates of Norway in respect of the admission of foreign Scouts in troops of another country be adopted. Text as follows:

- a) "That the foreign Scout must submit the necessary credentials, with the recommendation from his former association."
- b) "That the new association compares the requirements as to Scout class and rank, etc., in the two associations, and then decides whether the foreign Scout is to pass new tests or not..."

1929-20 Foreign Scouts, Troops

The International Conference is of opinion that no troop of Scouts of foreign nationality should be formed in any country except in consultation with the Scout headquarters of that country, and that the formulation of appropriate regulations be referred to the International Bureau.

BADEN-BEI-WIEN, AUSTRIA, JULY 23-29, 1931

Note: Resolutions 1931-01 to 1931-08 are Resolutions of Thanks and Appreciation.

1931-09 Scout Promise

The Conference desires to make it clear that in the Scout's Promise, the promise of duty "to my country" means duty to the constituted authority of the country concerned.

1931-10 Report to the International Bureau

The Conference requests that every registered association should send an annual report to the International Bureau, not only on its numbers, but on all matters of general interest (state of public opinion as to scouting, important events, initiatives taken, etc.)

1931-11 Difficulties, Consultation

The Conference requests that when difficulties arise in which the International Bureau may be of assistance, associations should report such difficulties to the Bureau, not after they have actually arisen and become acute, but when they are seriously threatening.

1931-12 Protection of Uniform, Etc.

The Conference records its gratification that in still more countries legal protection has been given to the use by National Boy Scout associations of titles, uniforms, badges, etc. The proved necessity of such protection to prevent the defrauding of the public by impersonation is, however, not appreciated in some countries and the Conference begs the League of Nations to accord its assistance by urging on nations, members of the League, where such protection is not given, to confer on their National Boy Scout organisations such protection as their national laws permit.

1931-13 Educational Cinema Films Exemption from Customs Duty

The Conference cordially welcomes the introduction to the League of Nations of a Draft Convention designed to exempt educational cinema films from customs duty.

The Conference holds that the scope of the definition of an educational film as set out in the draft convention should be extended so as to admit, under the proposed Convention, films in support of organisations whose work is essentially on an educational character, as well as films which are directly scholastic.

To that end the Conference recommends the following changes:

- A. Films intended to make known the League of Nations and other international organisations, governmental or of an international educational character, including international organisations recognised by the League of Nations and contained in their handbook.
- B. Films dealing with hygiene, physical training and social preventive or welfare work and explaining the work and methods of international organisations for promoting character training.

With regard to (E) the adequacy of words with applied limited meanings such as "preventive" and "welfare" should be carefully considered.

The Conference regards it as of prime importance that, if and when under such a Convention, Committees are set up in different countries to issue certificates for exemption of specific films from duty, due representation on such Committees should be arranged for such organisations as the Boy Scouts Association.

1931-14 World Jamboree 1933

The Conference wishes to offer its thanks to the Scout Associations of Czechoslovakia, the United States of America, the Netherlands and Australia and resolves that having regard to all the circumstances the invitation of the Hungarian Boy Scout Association to hold the next World Jamboree at Gödöllő, near Budapest between August 1 and August 15, 1933 be accepted.

1931-15 Conferences, Preliminary Papers

This Conference requests the International Bureau to arrange in future that all written papers on subjects for discussion should be available in at least two languages a sufficient time before the Conference opens, in order to enable delegates to come prepared with the views of their associations on the said subject; and further that the country responsible for the subject should prepare and deliver at the Conference itself a resume of the main points which it is required to make and upon which a definite opinion is considered desirable.

The Conference is of opinion that such a procedure would have the effect of saving time, of clarifying the work of the sessions and of allowing a reasonable period for informed discussion.

1931-16 Changes in Scout Promise and Law

The Conference places on record that the terms of the Resolution of the Kandersteg Conference (numbered 1926-29 in the pamphlet of Resolutions) respecting any changes in the wording of the Scout's Promise and Law, apply equally to the promise and Law of Wolf Cubs and Rover Scouts.

1931-17 Interchange of Correspondence Between Scouts of Different Nations

The Conference recommends the encouragement of the interchange of correspondence between the scouts of different nations.

It is suggested that control of the actual correspondence should be limited to ascertaining that the would-be correspondents are satisfactory Wolf Cubs, Scouts or Rover Scouts. It may be possible in some cases to give the correspondence a Patrol character but the essential is that, subject to the precaution indicated, the Scouts should be trusted to correspond in a manner consistent with Scout principles.

It is suggested that a study be made of the practicability of introducing an international stamp to be placed on such correspondence.

1931-18 Collaboration between Scouting and Schools

The Conference is of opinion that the programme and methods of Scout and Cub training be made known to teachers and boys in elementary schools.

That in camp training courses it should be urged on leaders that they should, as far as possible, work in cooperation with the schoolmasters of their boys and endeavour to bring about harmonious development as between Scout and Cub training and school teaching.

GODOLLO, HUNGARY, AUGUST 7-8, 1933

Note: Resolutions 1933-01 to 1933-09 are Resolutions of Thanks and Appreciation.

1933-10 Support from International Bureau

The Conference requests that when difficulties arise in which the International Bureau may be of assistance, Associations should report such difficulties to the Bureau, not after they have actually arisen and become acute, but when they are seriously threatening, thus affording the International Bureau a better opportunity to give prompt and effective assistance.

1933-11 International Conference 1935

This Conference offers its thanks to the Swedish Boy Scouts Association for the invitation to hold the International Conference in 1935 in Sweden, an invitation which the Conference cordially accepts.

1933-12 Promise and Law, Changes

The Conference resolves that it is the duty of any association registered with the International Bureau to notify the Bureau in the event of that association having made, or intending to make any modification in the Cub, Scout or Rover Promise or in the Cub, Scout or Rover Law, or in any other regulation embodying the essential principles of Scouting. (Re-affirmed 1953-07)

1933-13 Interchange of Correspondence and Visits Between Scouts of Different Nations

The Conference recommends the encouragement of the interchange of correspondence and visits between Scouts of different Nations and commends the principles set out in the valuable paper contributed by Monsieur I. Wolkowicz, International Commissioner of the Polish Boy Scouts' Association, dealing with the interchange of visits.

1933-14 Scout Law

The Conference expresses the hope that all associations will cooperate in an effort to have the spirit and content of the ten laws as drafted by the Chief Scout and Founder of the Movement, made universally effective and, in so far as local conditions make practicable, in the same numerical order; and further that, where any nations may find it desirable to supplement these ten laws, such additional laws follow after the original ten.

1933-15 Political Propaganda

This Conference again invites attention to the fact that political propaganda of any character, direct or indirect, national or international, must not be permitted in any camp or Scout gathering in which representative of other nations are invited to participate. (Re-affirmed 1963-16)

1933-16 Length of Service

The Conference recommends that national associations recognize length of service in other countries, duly authenticated, in authorizing the wearing of service stars whilst in that country.

STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN, AUGUST 5-7, 1935

Note: Resolutions 1935-01 to 1935-08 are Resolutions of Thanks and Appreciation.

1935-09 World Jamboree 1937

The Conference offers thanks to the Boy Scouts of Holland for the invitation which they hope to extend within the next three months to hold the next World Jamboree in Holland in 1937; an invitation which the Conference would cordially accept.

1935-10 International Cooperation in Cubbing

With reference to the subject of international cooperation in Cubbing, the Conference accepts the proposal of the exchange of information and correspondence relative to the Cub Branch and requests that the International Bureau should take all suggestions outlined in Mr. Colquhoun's paper into consideration and collect those contributed by other Nations, with a view to constructing a simple scheme to enable specialists to widen their experience and consider their own Cub programmes in the light of what other nations are doing. It is further suggested that future Delegations to this Conference should include at least one member who is a Cub specialist.

1935-11 Publications, copyright

With reference to a former resolution on this subject the Conference suggests that in the case of articles or photographs appearing in Scout periodicals of which the association concerned does not possess the copyright, or of which for any other reason reproduction is not desired, without special permission, this should be explicitly stated at the end of the article or under the photographs.

1935-12 Warrants for ex-Girl Guide/Girl Scout

The Conference suggests that before any member or ex-member of Girl Guide or Girl Scout movements be given a warrant in Boy Scout associations the Girl Guide or Girl Scout association in question should be consulted first of all as to desirability of issuing a warrant.

1935-13 Jamborees, Frequency

The conference decided that World Jamborees should continue to be held at intervals of four years.

1935-14 Jamborees, Numbers

The Conference decided that World Jamborees should consist of one camp, divided into two sections:

Section A: a group of sub-camps consisting of the contingents from all countries, including the host country. The contingent from the host country in this group should not be larger than the largest contingent from any other country.

Section B: another group of sub-camps, consisting of Scouts from the host country only. No limitation of numbers in either group unless the host country wish to limit the numbers in Section B.

1935-15 Jamborees, Ages

The Conference decided that only Boy Scouts (with a due proportion of Scouters) should be allowed in contingents. If any Rover Scouts are included in contingents their numbers should be strictly limited and they should be for definite camp duties only.

The minimum age for participants in World Jamborees should ordinarily be 14 years.

1935-16 Jamborees, Organization

The Conference recommends that the recommendations of the International Committee on the organization of World Jamborees be taken into consideration by the organizing countries as far as local conditions will allow.

The recommendations as amended by the Conference and minus the paragraphs which have been included in these Resolutions, will be published in "Jamboree."

1935-17 Jamborees, Saluting

The Conference decided that on formal parades, when marching past a saluting base, each nation should follow the custom of its own country as to lowering flags or not.

1935-18 Conferences, Duration

The Conference decided that future International Conferences should be extended by one or more days, dependent on the length of the agenda, so as to allow additional time for discussions, particularly during the open session.

THE HAGUE, NETHERLANDS, AUGUST 10-12, 1937

Note: Resolutions 1937-01 to 1937-07 are Resolutions of Thanks and Appreciation.

1937-08 Alpine Club

The Conference has received with much satisfaction the report from Major W. De Bonstetten on the progress of the Kandersteg Chalet and Scouts Alpine Club, and suggests that all Boy Scout associations shall cooperate in making available information as to the value of the Chalet and the Club for Scouting purposes, and that the various Scout associations continue the support which they are already giving for the advantage of the Chalet and Scouts Alpine Club.

1937-09 Bronze Wolf

The Conference records with great pleasure the acceptance of the first Bronze Wolf by Lord Baden-Powell, and the presentation of the Bronze Wolf, incident to the Conference, to Major W. de Bonstetten, Mr. Hubert Martin and Mr. J.S. Wilson.

1937-10 Handicapped Scouts

The Conference requests the International Bureau to collect special information from medical and Scout authorities with regard to Handicapped Scouts, which shall be made available to all Scout Associations.

The Conference also requests that the International Bureau should take a suitable opportunity at an early date of putting the question before international conferences of medical authorities for the purpose of obtaining their co-operation, and offering to send to such conferences Scout authorities on Handicapped Scouts.

1937-11 Jamborees/Moots, Profits

The Conference on the recommendation of the International Committee suggests that any substantial profits on Jamborees or Moots should be shared between the host country and the International Bureau, in a proportion to be decided at the discretion of the host country; the share of the International Bureau to be used in promoting the Scout Movement.

1937-12 Keynote Resolution

The Conference recommends to all Scout Associations the contents of the paper as read by Mr. Tage Carstensen in regard to the question, "Is Scouting up to Date?" and impresses on them the importance of all Boy Scout Associations continuing to organise their Scouting on methods adhering to the ideas and ideals as given to the world by Lord Baden-Powell, its Founder.

1937-13 Conference of Leaders in Cubbing

The Conference accepts the invitation presented on behalf of Great Britain that it sponsor a Conference of Leaders in Cubbing some time during the summer of 1938 in accordance with plans as outlined in agreements reached at an informal group meeting of those interested in Cubbing and presented to the Conference.

1937-14 Programme of International Scout Conferences

The Conference received with much interest various suggestions presented as to how the programmes of future Conferences might be improved and refers all of these suggestions to the International Committee and the Director of the International Bureau for consideration in planning for the next Biennial Conference.

The Conference received with favour the suggestion that the programme include Group sessions relating to the subjects of Scouting, Cubbing, Rovering and so forth, 'to be held incident to the next International Conference for the purpose of obtaining Group discussions and crystallising ideas for presentation to a full meeting of the Conference proper.

1937-15 Patriotism

The Conference resolves that the International Committee be requested to do all that it can to ensure that Scouting and Rovering in all countries, while fostering true patriotism, are genuinely kept within the limits of international cooperation and friendship, irrespective of creed and race, as has always been outlined by the Chief Scout. Thus, any steps to the militarization of Scouting or the introduction of political aims, which might cause misunderstanding and thus handicap our work for peace and goodwill among nations and individuals should be entirely avoided in our programmes.

1937-16 Political propaganda

The Conference upon the recommendation of the International Committee resolves that in view of Scout camp exhibits at this and previous Jamborees the International Bureau take steps to guard against exhibits at Jamborees of a political nature which might provoke brother Scouts from other parts of the world.

1937-17 Auxiliary Camp for Scouters

The Conference recommends that the plan as presented by Lord Hampton with regard to the establishment of an auxiliary camp for Scouters be referred to the International Bureau for study with the help of the various Scout Associations with a view to presenting a suggestion to the 1939 Conference when the necessary agreements relative to the next Jamboree will be made, if the host country is willing to undertake an experiment in connection with the next World Jamboree.

The Conference reasserts, in regard to Resolution 1935-15 of the Stockholm Conference, that only Hoy Scouts with a due proportion of Scouters should be allowed in the Contingents.

1937-18 International Medical Cooperation in the Scout Movement

The Conference commends the paper presented by Dr. J. Charvat on the subject of "International Medical Cooperation in the Scout Movement" and refers it to the International Committee for further study and such action as may seem advisable.

1937-19 World Rover Moot and International Conference 1939

The Conference offers thanks to the Boy Scouts of Great Britain for the invitation to hold the next World Rover Moot and International Conference in Scotland in 1939, an invitation which the Conference cordially accepts.

The Conference also offers thanks to the Boy Scouts of Norway and Poland for their invitations, and also for their courtesy in making unanimous the final vote in favour of Scotland.

The resolutions, each put to the Conference separately, were all carried *nem. con.*

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Note: Resolutions 1939-01 to 1939-05 are Resolutions of Thanks and Appreciation

1939-06 Bureau Report

The Conference records its appreciation of the effectiveness of the report of the Acting Honorary Director of the Boy Scouts International Bureau to the 10th Biennial International Conference, and recommends that delegates make use of the information pre-sented with the view of further development of a better under-standing of the magnitude and importance of the Scout Movement as a means of international goodwill and friendship. The Conference records its appreciation of the services of Mr. J.S. Wilson who, in addition to his duties as Camp Chief of Gilwell, unselfishly responded to the call of the International Committee for service as Acting Director and has already won the friendship and confidence of the Scout Brotherhood throughout the world because of the manner in which he discharges his responsibilities.

The Conference again records its appreciation of the service of Mr. R.T. Lund, Secretary of the International Bureau, and of his assistants.

1939-07 Reports – International Scout Chalet at Kandersteg

The Conference has received with much satisfaction the report from Mr. Ernst Trachsel on the progress of the Kandersteg Chalet and Scouts' Alpine Club and again asks that all Scout Associations shall co-operate in making available information as to the value of the Chalet and Club for Scouting purposes and that the various Scout Associations continue the support which they are already giving for the advantage of the Chalet and Club.

1939-08 General Association of Boy Scouts of China

The Conference was pleased to have two delegates from China bringing greetings from the newly registered Scout Association in China, with the report that already they have a membership of 315,776 Scouts and Scouters carrying on the game of Scouting in accordance with the ideals of the Boy Scout Associations of the World, in spite of trying circumstances. The Conference extends its greetings to this Group, and wishes them continued success in their efforts to extend the influence of the Movement throughout China.

1939-09 Constitution

The Conference authorises the Committee to proceed further with the consideration of the modification of the constitution so far as it concerns the election of the Committee

1939-10 Scouting Publicity

The Conference records its appreciation of the enthusiasm and commendable zeal on the part of the Group who have been promoting interest in press agency and further publicity procedure in the interest of Scouting on a world basis.

It accepts the gracious offer of the Group from Poland which has volunteered to work with, and under the direction of, the International Bureau in the further promotion of Scout publicity, on an experimental basis, with a view to helping in the development of a permanent plan by the International Committee and the Director of the International Bureau.

1939-11 Former Scouts

The Conference commends the efforts that are being made in National Associations to mobilise former Scouts to further the practice of the Scout ideals by such former Scouts, and for the purpose of strengthening the spirit and leadership of Scouting for Boys, under the headings of "Old Scouts" or "Scout Alumni," or other names. The national Associations involved in such experiments are requested to make available to other Associations, through the International Bureau, reports from time to time, of their progress.

1939-12 Displaced Persons

The Conference expresses its sympathy and extends greetings to fellow Scouts and Scouters who, through no fault of their own, have been forced to leave their native land. The Conference urges that every possible courtesy and help be extended to such Scouts and Scouters by the respective national association, whether the residence is to be temporary or permanent, and that, wherever practicable, an invitation be extended for them to become associated in some temporary way with the local Scout groups, rather than the development of any separate national group in another country. It is to be understood that principles involved are not to be interpreted with any retroactive effect.

1939-13 International Scouts' Own Services

The Conference recommends that in order to impress on all people the world-wide appeal and values of Scouting the co-operation of the broadcasting organisations be obtained to unite all Scouts once each year on the Sunday following the birthday of the Chief Scout of the World (22nd February), in a great International Scouts' Own Service, so that all may with one voice and at one time re-affirm their promise.

1939-14A Auxiliary Camp for Scouters

The Conference commends the experimental auxiliary camp for Scouters as held at the Moot and recommends that provisions be made for such separate Scouters' camps at future world Jamborees and Moots.

1939-14B Jamborees, Displays

The Conference expresses the hope that the displays and demonstrations by different nations at Jamborees and Moots be interpretive of Scouting activities not only for the benefit of participating Scouts but for the information of the general public.

1939-15 Conference for Leaders of Handicapped Scout Branch

The Conference gratefully accepts the kind invitation of the Scouts of Holland to organise and hold during the summer of 1940 a Conference in Holland of the leaders of the Handicapped Scout Branch of the various Scout Associations.

1939-16 International Cub Leaders Conference

The Conference records with much pleasure the unqualified success of the first International Cub Leaders' Conference held at Gilwell Park in July, 1938.

The Conference accepts with gratitude the invitation of the Scouts of Poland to hold a similar International Cub Leaders' Conference in Poland during 1940. It requests the International Bureau to give consideration to the finding of some suitable new name for this character of gathering.

1939-17 World Jamboree and International Conference 1941

The Conference offers thanks to the Boy Scouts of France for the invitation to hold the next World Jamboree and International Conference in France in 1941; an invitation which the Conference cordially accepts.

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1947-01 Chief Scout of the World

- A) The Conference records its heartfelt gratitude for the life, leadership and example of the late Lord Baden-Powell of Gilwell, Chief Scout of the World and Founder of the Boy Scout Movement,
- B) EXTENDS its deep sympathy to Olave, Lady Baden-Powell, and his family in their loss, and
- C) Reaffirms its steadfast loyalty to the aims, principles and methods of Scouting for boys, as inaugurated by the late Lord Baden-Powell, and its belief in the value of international Scouting in the promotion of understanding and goodwill among all peoples.

Note: Resolutions 1947-02 to 1947-07 are Resolutions of Thanks and Appreciation

1947-08 Reports – International Scout Chalet at Kandersteg

HAS RECEIVED with much pleasure the report on the progress of the International Scout Chalet, Kandersteg, and the Scouts Alpine Club and again asks that all member Associations of the Conference shall co-operate by making the Chalet and Club as widely known as possible to their members and continue the support which they are giving.

1947-09 Inter-American Advisory Committee

The Conference welcomes the inauguration of the Inter-American Boy Scouts Advisory Committee (Consejo Interamericano de Escultismo) as a project for the development of Scouting, both nationally and internationally, throughout the American Continent in close consultation with the International Bureau.

1947-10 West African Jamboree

RECORDS with great pleasure the holding of a West African Jamboree at Lagos in February, 1947, and offers its congratulations to the Boy Scouts of Nigeria and all who assisted in the organisation of that Jamboree on the success of the largest international gathering ever held in West Africa.

1947-11 Registration

Is PLEASED TO CONFIRM that "Magyar Cserkeszfiuk Szovetsege" is accredited in its membership of the International Scout Conference in succession to the former "Magyar Cserkeszszovetseg" and

WELCOMES the recognition accorded since the previous meeting of the Conference to the following Scout organisations:

- Pfadfinder Oesterreichs,
- The Boy Stouts Association of Canada,
- Exploradores de El Salvador,
- Scouts d'Haiti,
- Federazione Esploratori Italiani,
- Federation Libanaise du Scoutisme,
- Boy Scouts de Nicaragua,
- Boy Scouts of the Philippines,

extending to all these members the cordial good wishes of the Conference.

1947-12 Transfer of Registration - Belgium

CONFIRMS AND WELCOMES the transfer of its recognition formerly accorded to its member Associations in Belgium to their Joint Council, the "Interfederale Belge du Scoutisme" or "Interfederale Scoutsbond van Belgie," and calls the attention of its member Associations in countries in which there are at present more than one Scout Association recognised by the Conference to Resolution No. 1924-23 of the Third International Scout Conference, 1924, paragraph 2 (a).

1947-13 Constitution

In accordance with Article IX of its Constitution, HAS APPROVED certain amendments thereto and RESOLVES that these Amendments be incorporated in the text of the Constitution and Bye Laws forthwith.

1947-14 Displaced Persons

The Conference extends its greetings to Scout groups among displaced persons and, upon the recommendation of the International Committee, resolves that the following procedure be adopted:

- a) A separate division of the Boy Scouts International Bureau shall be opened forthwith under which shall be registered all associations or groups among displaced persons now in Austria and Germany.
- b) The D.P. Division of the International Bureau will do its best to assist all D.P. Scouts, with advice and suggestions and will, in consultation with the Control Authorities, the International Refugee Organization and other responsible bodies, ensure that the aims, methods and principles of Scouting are accepted and practiced and that political propaganda is not preached.
- c) Registration with the D.P. Division of the International Bureau will not give right of membership of the Boy Scouts International Conference but will give recognition as Scouts under the protection of the Bureau.
- d) In countries other than Austria and Germany, Scout groups among D.Ps. Who are still in a state of transition are recommended to join or affiliate to the local branch of the national recognized Member Organization of the Conference and such national associations are requested to afford every courtesy and all possible assistance to these groups.
- e) All D.P. Scouts who eventually take up residence in a country where there is already a recognized Member Organization of the Conference shall have the choice of becoming members of that association or of relinquishing their Scout membership. On settlement they cease to be in a state of transition and are bound by the laws of the country of their adoption.
- f) Scout associations of the country of adoption are recommended to allow such Scouts to belong to groups sponsored by the leading men of the nationality of origin and, until citizenship of the country of adoption is achieved, to take a modified form of Scout Promise which must, however, include some expression of loyalty to the laws of the country of present domicile.

1947-15 Jamborees, Participation

Upon the recommendation of the International Committee, the Conference desires to place on record the principles to be followed in participation in World Jamborees and World Rover Moots and other world, or regional, Scout gatherings held under the auspices of the Conference and in national camps and other Scout gatherings held under the auspices of a registered Member Association:

- a) No one who is not a member of a registered Member Association may be invited to take part or to camp at any World Jamboree, World Rover Moot or any other Scout gathering authorized by the Boy Scouts International Conference.

- b) No one who is not a member of a registered Member Association may be invited to take part or to camp at any other Scout gathering held under the auspices of a registered Member Association to which representatives, contingents or groups from other registered Member Associations are invited to take part.

The Conference desires to make it clear in stating these principles that there are certain obligations of Scout membership which carry with them as a prescriptive right certain privileges that cannot be shared with others outside the brotherhood of Scouts.

1947-16 Gilwell Park

The Conference welcomes the assurance from the Chief Scout of the British Commonwealth and Empire that Gilwell Park will continue to be maintained as an international as well as national training centre and that the International Bureau will be associated with its international functions, and REFERS to the International Committee the various suggestions put forward in the excellent paper on "The Training of Scouters" by Scoutisme Français and in the subsequent discussion.

1947-17 Letter of Introduction

Upon the recommendation of the International Commissioners, the Conference resolves that all member countries be advised of the fact that unless the International Scout Letter of Introduction is produced, individual Scouts or Scout parties visiting any other member country cannot expect to be offered a Scout reception or hospitality, and recommends the incorporation in the Letter of Introduction of some form of international insignia which shall be known to all member countries, and that the printing of these Letters by the International Bureau should be done in such a way as to render their imitation as difficult as possible.

1947-18 Correspondence, Control

The Conference urges that individual Scouts and especially Scout groups be encouraged to carry on international Scout correspondence by appropriate means of information and publicity in the Scout press in each member country and by putting into operation the means of establishing and maintaining it under the control of the respective national Scout headquarters.

1947-19 Visits abroad, Procedure

The Conference recommends that in order to obtain the maximum value and international contact from visits of Scout groups to other countries the following points of procedure be observed:

- a) The international department of the country of the visiting group should call the attention of the Scouter concerned to the interest and importance of establishing contact with the Scouts of the country to be visited.
- b) The international department of the country to be visited should be advised as soon as possible in advance of the departure of each group intending to visit their country, preferably not less than two months before.
- c) The international department of the country to be visited should arrange for local Scout groups in their country to welcome each visiting group.

1947-20 International Scouts Own Services

RECOMMENDS that the occasion of the Sunday following the anniversary of the birthday of the Founder of the Scout Movement (22nd February) be used each year to unite as many Scouts as possible in International Scouts' Own Services by means of world or regional radio hook-ups and

REQUESTS the International Committee to examine, or to appoint a Select Committee to examine, the means of putting this proposal into effect.

1947-21 United Nations Appeal for Children

Having taken note of the United Nations Appeal for Children, LOOKS WITH FAVOUR on all Movements to do with the welfare of children and calls the attention of its member national organisations to this worthwhile cause, leaving it to each country to support whatever causes they see fit

1947-22 Former Scouts

The Conference recommends that Member Associations should foster and inspire the mobilization of the vast numbers of old Scouts and Scouters who have been members of recognized Scout associations for the following reason:

- a) To keep alive the spirit of the Scout Promise and Law in their own lives.
- b) To bring that spirit into the communities in which they live and work.
- c) Whilst remembering their other responsibilities, actively to support Scouting in their communities, countries and the world.

And further recommends:

- d) That the fortieth anniversary of the beginning of Scouting presents an excellent opportunity for launching and developing the formation of old Scouts branches.
- e) That the International Committee finds a new term as it considers the term "old Scouts" to be a deterrent to the development of this important branch of Scouting; and
- f) That the question of the establishment of an International Old Scouts and, possibly, Guides Association be included in the agenda of the 12th International Scout Conference.

1947-23 Pacific Jamboree 1949

WELCOMES the tentative proposal of the Australian Federal Council of the Boy Scouts Association to organise a Pacific Jamboree early in 1949 and refers this matter to the International Committee for necessary action, and

OFFERS its thanks to the Boy Scouts Association of New Zealand for their courtesy in withdrawing their invitation in favour of Australia.

1947-24 International Commissioners Meeting

RECOMMENDS that an informal meeting of International Commissioners of some three days duration be held each year in which there is no International Scout Conference, and

ACCEPTS with great pleasure the invitation from the Delegation of Switzerland to organise such a meeting at Kandersteg during the summer of 1948.

1947-25 4th World Rover Moot and 12th International Scout Conference

ACCEPTS with much pleasure the kind invitation from Norway to hold the Fourth World Rover Moot and Twelfth International Scout Conference in that country in 1949, and "OFFERS its sincere thanks to Australia, Belgium, Czechoslovakia, Jamaica and Mexico for their offers.

ELVESAETER, NORWAY, AUGUST 8-10, 1949

Note: Resolutions 1949-01 to 1949-05 are Resolutions of Thanks and Appreciation.

1949-06 Reports – Kandersteg International Scout Chalet

HAS RECEIVED with much satisfaction the report of the International Scout Chalet, Kandersteg, and of the Scouts Alpine Club;

COMMENDS to all member Associations the valuable facilities of this Scout Centre; and

ASKS all member Associations to encourage membership of the Scouts Alpine Club in order to strengthen the support and finances of the Club.

1949-07 International Commissioners Meetings

WELCOMES the institution of periodic and informal International Commissioners' gatherings by the successful "Get-Together" held at Kandersteg in July, 1948, which was attended by the representatives of 23 countries, and

OFFERS its warm thanks to the organizers and the Federation des Eclaireurs Suisses for their hospitality and kindness.

1949-08 Pan-Pacific Jamboree

RECORDS with great pleasure the holding of a Pan-Pacific Jamboree at Yarra Brae, Victoria, from December 29th, 1948, to January 9th, 1949, attended by over 11,000 Scouts, and offers its congratulations to the Australian Federal Council of the Boy Scouts Association on the successful organization of that Jamboree.

1949-09 International Camp for Handicapped Scouts

- a) RECORDS with much pleasure the holding of an Inter-national Camp for Handicapped Scouts near Lunteren in the Netherlands last July;
- b) OFFERS warm thanks to be Nationale Padvinderraad for the organization of this event and its important contribution to this branch of Scouting; and
- c) COMMENDS to all member Associations the value of Scout training for children who are physically handicapped, mentally deficient or morally delinquent.

1949-10 Regional Camps

The Conference commends with much satisfaction the increasing number of regional Scout gatherings, such as Jamborettes and international Scout patrol camps, which the Conference considers to be of great value in developing personal friendships, international understanding and sense of the Scout brotherhood between Scouts of neighbouring countries.

1949-11 Salvation Army y

The Conference welcomes with great pleasure the agreement between the International Youth Department of the Salvation Army and the Boy Scouts International Bureau and the subsequent affiliation of Scout units sponsored by the Salvation Army with the Member Associations of this Conference in many countries.

1949-12 Scout Groups of the United Nations

Authorises the International Bureau to proceed with the direct registration of the Scout Groups of the Boy Scouts of the United Nations Organization.

1949-13 Registration

- a) WELCOMES the recognition and separate registration with the International Bureau unanimously accorded since the previous meeting of the Conference to:
- The Burma Boy Scouts Association;
 - The Boy Scouts Association in India;
 - The Pakistan Boy Scouts Association.
- b) Is PLEASED TO CONFIRM unanimously the separate international recognition and registration of:
- The Boy Scouts of Ireland;
 - Boy Scouts de Syrie;
- c) extending to all these Associations the cordial good wishes of the Conference.

1949-14 Restoration of Scouting – post World War II

RECORDS its unbounded admiration for the efforts of many thousands of Scout leaders, Scouts and lay supporters in many countries to restore and develop Scouting, nationally and internationally, since the end of World War II, through innumerable Good Turns, both by individual members and by Groups and through such outstanding means as:

- The "Chins-up" Fund in Canada;
- Scouts' International Relief Service, Great Britain;
- Rehabilitation camps for war-affected children, Switzerland;
- The World Friendship Fund of the Boy Scouts of America;
- Assistance to the D.P. Division of the International Bureau;
- And Support to the " United Nations Appeal for Children"

1949-15 Safeguard and Welfare of Children, Greece

- a) As a world-wide representative body for the safeguard and welfare of boys, the Conference CONDEMNS the crime of the abduction of children and expresses its deep sympathy with the Greek Boy Scouts Association (Soma Hellinon Proskopon) in the abduction from their homes of 28,000 Greek children, among whom are over 100 Boy Scouts; and
- b) PAYS HOMAGE to the magnificent work carried out by the Scouts of Greece in the successful development of Scouting despite great difficulties and, in particular, commends the outstanding work they have performed in service to children in refugee camps and in many tasks of social welfare and public service work.

1949-16 Membership Voluntary

The Conference affirms that the Scout Movement is based on the free adherence of the individual to the Scout Law, that the Scout Promise must be a voluntary act freely desired and undertaken, and that every Scout must live his Scouting by a free choice and not in obedience to constraint of any kind.

1949-17 Maintenance of Health, Hygiene and Physical Training of Scouts

RECOMMENDS that at future World Scout gatherings such as Jamborees and Moots there should be held as incidental to the programme a meeting of Scouter-doctors or public health officers to discuss matters of mutual interest and in particular the proper maintenance of the health, hygiene and physical training of Scouts.

1949-18 Jamborees, Participation

With reference to Resolution 1947-15 of the 11th International Scout Conference concerning participation of non-Scouts in international Scout gatherings, the Conference reaffirms the decision then taken but agrees that occasional exceptions may be made to the general rule provided that the following two conditions are complied with:

- a) The international gathering concerned is not one officially organized under the aegis of the International Conference (Jamborees, Moots, etc.) but that it is only a gathering of limited scope organized by a Member Association of the Conference.
- b) That the list of those invited from outside Scouting is notified well in advance to the other Scout associations participating and to the International Bureau.

1949-19 Removed From Record

Note: It was decided by vote to that Resolution 1949-19 be removed from the record.

1949-20A Registration Fee Arrears

RECOMMENDS that the work of the International Bureau should not be hampered by lack of funds, and urges all member Associations to pay their registration fees promptly and in full. If this is not done, the Bureau will be forced to limit its activities.

1949-20B Registration Fees

AGREES that the registration fee for 1950 shall be at the rate of £4 per 1,000 members, but expresses the hope that an increasing income from registration fees based on active membership and from other sources may enable the International Committee to reduce the rate of payment for the year 1951, in the absence of unforeseen events.

1949-20C Voluntary Contributions

EXPRESSES the hope that it may be possible for more member Associations to make ex-gratia payments in order to restore the Reserve Fund.

1949-20D Deputy Director of International Bureau

RECOMMENDS that no permanent appointment should be made of a Deputy Director of the International Bureau at this time, but that when a successor to a Director is required owing to his prospective retirement, provision should be made in the Budget for the appointment of a Deputy, who would normally become Director in due course.

1949-20E Travelling Commissioner

RECOMMENDS that no permanent appointment of a Travelling Commissioner should be made, but that a number of such Commissioners, not exceeding three at any one time, may be appointed on a temporary basis. The possibility of obtaining voluntary helpers for specific tasks or from Scouters of neighbouring countries should not be overlooked.

1949-20F Supporting the "Jamboree" Journal

RECOMMENDS that, with a view to increasing the circulation of "Jamboree" and making it self-supporting, every effort should be made by member Associations to supply articles of practical and topical interest to Scouters and member Associations are urged to assist by encouraging their adult members to become subscribers.

1949-20G Financial Annual Accounts

DESIRES that full details of payments made and not made by each member country shall form part of the annual accounts of the International Bureau.

1949-21 World Old Scouts Association

- a) RECOMMENDS that a special Old Scouts Committee be formed as suggested in the report on Old Scouts (pp. 51-53) to make further enquiries, to discuss any possible co-operation with a similar movement of the Girl Guides and Girl Scouts Associations, and to work out-in conjunction with the International Bureau, the form and constitution and bye-laws of a World Old Scouts Association.

- b) FURTHER RECOMMENDS that this Committee should comprise the Director of the International Bureau, not more than two members of the International Committee and a small number of those possessing special knowledge of Old Scouts Associations or Branches, to be invited by the International Committee and to include representatives both of the independent Old Scout Associations and of Branches which are controlled by their National Scout Associations.
- c) SUGGESTS that the principal aims of the proposed World Old Scouts Association should be as set out in Resolution 1947-22 of the 11th International Scout Conference (P:P:P, No. 96).
- d) ASKS that this Committee on Old Scouts should report its findings to the International Committee to be placed before the next meeting of the International Conference.

1949-22 Rover Scouts

- a) RECOMMENDS the establishment of a panel consisting of at least three members of different countries to be invited by the International Committee, to study fully the actual situation of Rover Scout work in member Associations, to review the principles and aims of Rover Scouting and to submit its findings to the International Committee.
- b) ASKS the Director of the International Bureau and the Camp Chief at Gilwell Park to study further the syllabus of the Rover Wood Badge Course with the assistance of the National Training Commissioners and Rover Deputy Camp Chiefs.
- c) RECOMMENDS that the age limits for future Rover Moots should be from 18 years to 25 years inclusive.

1949-23 World Gatherings, Frequency

- a) The Conference recommends that future world Scout gatherings be organized to give a regular sequence of World Jamborees, World Rover Scout Moots and world meetings of Scouters of all branches, thus:

World Jamborees at four-year intervals, World Rover Scout Moots at four-year intervals, with Jamborees and Rover Moots alternating at two-year intervals, and additionally, world meetings for Scouters in each four-year period but not in the same year as any World Jamboree or Rover Moot, and proposed that the first such meeting be held in 1952.

- b) Meetings of the International Conference should continue to be held biennially in years when there is a World Jamboree or Rover Moot.

1949-24 World Jamboree and International Conference 1951

ACCEPTS with great pleasure the kind invitation from Austria to organize the 7th World Jamboree and 13th International Conference during the summer of 1951, and also

THANKS the Danish Scouts most warmly for their invitation.

1949-25 International Commissioners Meeting

ACCEPTS with great pleasure the joint invitation from the member Associations of Portugal for an informal meeting of International Commissioners during September, 1950.

1949-26 Conference of Leaders in Cubbing

ACCEPTS with great pleasure the invitation presented by Great Britain to sponsor a Conference of Leaders in Cubbing in Scotland during the summer of 1950.

1949-27 Keynote

We rededicate ourselves to the principles of liberty and the freedom of peoples and nations. We believe that the cause of peace and understanding can effectively be served by encouraging the spirit of world brotherhood amongst the youth of the world through Scouting.

Therefore we, the delegates of our respective national Scout movements, pledge to the youth of the world our best efforts, consecrated service and full devotion.

SALZBURG, AUSTRIA, JULY 31-AUGUST 2, 1951

Note: Resolutions 1951-01 to 1951-08 are Resolutions of Thanks and Appreciation

1951-09 Reports – International Scout Chalet at Kandersteg

- a) The Conference records with much satisfaction the Report of the International Scout Chalet at Kandersteg and of the Scouts' Alpine Club and the excellent service of this international scout centre;
- b) Requests all member associations to continue their support of this centre and particularly those countries which have been allotted a " National Room " in the Chalet to maintain their room with suitable fittings and emblems appropriate to their national culture and Scouting.

1951-10 Registrations

- a) The Conference welcomes the transfer of recognition and registration of its member association in India to:
 - The Bharat Scouts and Guides (male section);
- b) Welcomes the recognition and registration with the International Bureau accorded since the previous meeting of the Conference to:
 - Asociacion de Scouts de Bolivia,
 - Ring Deutscher Pfadfinderbunde,
 - Boy Scouts of Japan,
 - Asociacion de Scouts de Panama,
 - Turkiye izcileri,
 - Boy Scouts del Uruguay.
- c) Is pleased to accord international recognition and registration to:
 - The Boy Scouts of Israel.
- d) Extends to all these Associations its cordial good wishes.

1951-11 Publications, Copyright

- a) The Conference accepts the report on publications, translation and reproduction rights and exchange of Scout literature and recommends that this be used in the future as a guide to the procedure to be followed by the publications boards or commissioners and the Scout editors concerned.
- b) The Conference desires that in applying for translation rights of any of the Founder's fundamental books on Scouting the applicant country shall also inform the International Bureau so that the Bureau may approve prior to publication the translation into that language and consult any other country having that language.
- c) The Conference offers its cordial thanks to the members of the Publications Group for their services and this Report.

1951-12 Panel on Rover Scouts

The Conference thanks the Panel on Rover Scouts for their interesting Report and recommends this Report to the attention of those responsible for the Rover Section of its member associations.

1951-13 Old Scouts

- a) The Conference is convinced that Scouting is a whole. Being responsible for Scouting in its entirety, the Conference considers the world Scout Movement, to avoid any faction, must be represented solely by the International Scout Conference at a world level, with its International Committee and Bureau, and without any parallel organisation. On the other hand, being alive to the question of Old Scouts, the Conference has the duty to watch over their interests and recommends to national member associations that they foster the development of Old Scouts as much as possible. The International Committee is authorised to convene meetings for representatives of Old Scout bodies which are recognised in their own countries and with the object of sharing their experience and coordinating their efforts.
- b) The Conference thanks the Advisory Committee on Old Scouts for their services and requests the International Committee to keep this Advisory Committee in being for future consultation.

1951-14 Visits Abroad, Hitch-hiking

- a) The Conference strongly condemns the practice of hitch-hiking, also of touring parties which seek to solicit financial help either from Scouts or the public in other countries, in the course of Scout travels. It is not within the sense of the Scout Law to do so at the expense of others.
- b) While genuine expeditions and the spirit of adventure are to be encouraged, any intended Scout exploration parties should be advised well in advance to the Scout headquarters of the other country(ies) concerned through their own International Commissioner, as a matter of courtesy and in order to ensure practicability of planning.

1951-15 Visits Abroad, National Colours

Upon the recommendation of the International Commissioners, the Conference recommends that Scouts travelling abroad in uniform, either individually or in groups, should wear some national badge or colour flash, preferably above the shirt pocket.

1951-16 Correspondence, Control of Requests

Upon the recommendation of the International Committee, the Conference recommends that all requests for Scout badges, books, equipment, etc. received directly from individuals or units by the Scout headquarters or units of another country should be referred back to the national Scout headquarters of that country, and that normally such requests should be made through individuals or units own national headquarters. Exceptions may be made to this general rule in the case where reasonable requests are made by Scouts who have been properly "linked" on an exchange basis, provided that the regulations as to issue of badges are not contravened. Where requests of this kind are received from countries having no recognized Scout association the International Bureau should be informed.

1951-17 Correspondence, Chain Letters

Upon the recommendation of the International Commissioners, the Conference condemns the practice of "chain" or "pyramid" letters which are considered to be of no lasting value and liable to abuse. In some countries such "chain" letters are prohibited by law or the postal authorities. It is recommended that any such communications be destroyed by the recipient.

1951-18 World Friendship Badge

- a) The Conference thanks the United Nations Scouts for their paper, "Training in World Brotherhood";
- b) The Conference recommends that training manuals or programme plans for boys of 14 and over of all Member Associations should include provision of periodic sessions for study or activity related to world affairs;

- c) Suggest that Member Associations consider the institution of a merit badge in world brotherhood;
- d) Requests the International Bureau to make available to Member Associations desiring it:
 - i) Suitable material on education in world brotherhood,
 - ii) A draft statement of requirements for a merit badge in world brotherhood,
 - iii) Material for a training manual and programme plans for boys of 14 and over.

1951-19 Scouting in Rural Areas

The Conference thanks the Greek delegation for their paper on Scouting in Rural Areas and requests that the International Bureau collect information from those countries having special provision or programme for Lone Scouts and Scouting in sparsely-populated regions for the study of those countries concerned.

1951-20 Wider Use of the Scout Method

The Conference thanks the Greek delegation for their interesting paper on "Wider Use of the Scout Method" and strongly recommends to member countries:

- i) the fullest extension of Scouting to mentally and spiritually distressed boys,
- ii) the value of Scouting methods among boys in corrective institutions.

1951-21 National Camps, Dates

With reference to Resolution No. 35 (P:P:P), the Conference desires that this be amended and now read;

The Conference requests that all associations organizing national Scout gatherings to which Scouts from other countries are invited, should arrange to hold such gatherings during the principal fair-weather holiday season of that country and region.

1951-22 Gilwell Training

The Conference records its firm belief in the immense value of Wood Badge training both for the training of Scouters and for assuring unified Scouting in future.

The Conference further affirms its belief in the principles applied through this training at Gilwell Park, as a national and international training centre.

1951-23 1st World Indaba

- a) The Conference accepts with much pleasure the kind invitation of Great Britain to hold the 1st Indaba as a World Open Meeting for Scouters in 1952, and agrees that the general form of this gathering should follow the proposals made by the International Committee.
- b) The Conference recommends that in planning the Indaba, provision be made within the programme for group meetings of Scouters of the various branches (including handicapped Scouting).
- c) The Conference accepts with great pleasure the kind invitation from Italy to hold the 3rd International Commissioners' Get-Together during 1952.

1951-24A 5th World Rover Moot and 14th International Scout Conference

The Conference accepts with much pleasure the kind invitations from Switzerland to hold the 5th World Rover Moot and from Liechtenstein to hold the 14th International Scout Conference in those countries in 1953.

1951-24B Moots

Upon the recommendation of the International Committee, the Conference desires that:

- i) The Moots be open to members of the senior branches of recognized national associations.
- ii) At the time of the Moot, those attending, other than the due proportion of leaders, shall have reached their 17th birthday and not be over 25 years of age.
- iii) That the general public shall not normally be allowed in camp after 8 pm.

1951-25 Regional Events

The Conference WELCOMES the following Regional Jamborees which are now in preparation:

- 1st Caribbean Jamboree, Jamaica, March, 1952;
- Central African Jamboree, N. Rhodesia, August, 1952;
- Pan Pacific Jamboree, Sydney, N.S.W., December, 1952;
- Regional Jamborette for Handicapped Scouts, Belgium, 1953 (subject to the provisions laid down by the International Committee);

and REQUESTS its member associations and their branches in the regions concerned to support these functions as fully as possible.

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1953-01 Colonel John Skinner Wilson

The Conference records its most sincere appreciation of the faithful, devoted and efficient service rendered Scouting throughout the world by Colonel John Skinner Wilson.

Coincident with his retirement from active service, as Director of the International Bureau, we, his friends assembled in the 14th International Conference, pay tribute to his Scouting spirit and his unselfish loyalty to the ideals and purposes of the Movement as established by the Founder, Lord Baden-Powell.

His leadership has been purposeful, sympathetic and understanding.

He has been firm in championing our adherence to established standards and policies; but, with vision he has encouraged changes in programme and procedure as time and changing conditions made advisable.

He and his family have made great sacrifices to fulfil his mission of service to the boys of the world.

He has been an ambassador for peace; but a courageous Scouting leader in the fight for freedom in two world wars.

He was the hope of boys and leaders in nations temporarily conquered by those who would rule the world by force. His spirit, advice and encouragement sustained their Scouting spirit and organisation in countries overrun by the aggressor so that they fought on at great peril to win back their freedom.

Believing that through world brotherhood we can eventually have world peace, he has diligently promoted Scouting organisation, training, methods, and, above all, the Scouting spirit so effectively that we now have achieved a unity of Scouting purpose in 57 countries.

He has blazed world-wide trails to peace and brotherhood which we will follow.

To our friend, Colonel John Wilson, we express our deepest appreciation, our most heartfelt thanks, and our most profound admiration.

May God bless you and, through you, others in the future as he has done in the past.

1953-02 Appointment of Director Designate

The Conference notes with very great pleasure the appointment of Major-General D.C. Spry, C.B.E., D.S.O., C.D., as Director-Designate of the International Bureau, offers him its most cordial good wishes and assures him of its full support and co-operation in his future work.

1953-03 Report

The Conference accepts the Report of the Boy Scouts International Bureau as a record of the progress achieved since the last meeting of the Conference and expresses its thanks to the International Committee, the Director, Deputy Director and all members of the staff of the Bureau for their services.

1953-04 Reports – International Scout Chalet at Kandersteg

- a) The Conference records with much pleasure the Report of the International Scout Chalet at Kandersteg and of the Scouts' Alpine Club in their 30th anniversary year. The Conference warmly congratulates all those concerned with the great progress achieved in the condition of the Chalet, the facilities of the camping grounds and the number of Scouts for whom each session the Chalet provided such an excellent centre for climbing, camping and training in Scouting.

- b) The Conference particularly invites member Associations to make known the work of this centre and to encourage more individual members to join and support the Scouts' Alpine Club as subscribing members.
- c) The Conference offers its sincere thanks to the Committee of the Scouts' Alpine Club, the Warden of the Chalet and all their many helpers whose efforts have so greatly contributed to the success of the 5th World Rover Moot.

1953-05 Registration

- a) The Conference welcomes the recognition and registration accorded since the previous meeting of the Conference to:
 - The Australian Boy Scouts Council;
 - The Ceylon Boy Scouts Association;
 - Ikatan Pandu Indonesia (Ipindo);
 - Boy Scouts of Korea;
 - The Boy Scouts Association, New Zealand;
- b) and extends to all these Associations its cordial good wishes.

1953-06 Displaced Persons

The Conference extends its cordial greetings to Scouts living in exile and pays tribute to the devoted service rendered by many hundreds of Scout leaders in giving Scout training to boys displaced from their native lands and in maintaining contact between them wherever they may now be living.

The Conference commends to all Scout associations of countries in which such refugee former D.P. Scouts are now living the importance of making them welcome and assisting them to continue their Scouting in accordance with the provisions and sense of Conference resolution 1947-14, clauses D, E and F.

1953-07 Member Association Constitutional Changes

With reference to two previous resolutions of Conference (PPP. 28 and 47 q.v.), the Conference desires to make it clear to all member Associations that it is incumbent upon them to notify the International Bureau of any proposed changes affecting the essential principles of Scouting or the legal basis of their Associations, whether the intended change be to their Scout Promise, Law, Policy and Rules, Statutes, Charter, Incorporation or legal registration.

1953-08 National Camps, Invitations

- a) The Conference strongly commends the practice of countries planning to hold national, provincial or county camps inviting the Member Associations of the Conference in neighbouring countries to send contingents to participate in their camp and, if possible, to stay in the homes of Scout families of the host country before or after the camp.
- b) Upon the advice of the International Commissioners, the Conference recommends that the initial invitation to the national headquarters of the associations invited should be sent out at least six months in advance of the camp, giving preliminary details of dates, the number of contingents desired from each country, approximate cost, etc.

1953-09 Visits Abroad, Advance Notice

In extension of a previous resolution of Conference (1947-19) and upon the recommendation of the International Commissioners, the Conference desires that where any troop planning to visit another country requires advice or assistance in finding a camp site or any special accommodation facilities, the request should be made to the international department of the country to be visited at a minimum of three months in advance of the proposed visit. At shorter notice than this no help can reasonably be expected.

The Conference particularly commends joint camps between a visiting troop and one of the country they are visiting and a subsequent joint camp in the other country one or two years later (with the aim of establishing lasting personal friendships between Scouts of different countries and of improving the Scouting skills of both troops concerned).

1953-10 Visits Abroad, Behaviour

Upon the recommendation of the International Commissioners, the Conference desires that any breaches of the rules or cases of bad behaviour unbecoming to a Scout when travelling abroad are to be reported, giving details of name, group and a summary of the facts of the case, to the International Commissioner of the offenders own association so that he may deal with the matter on their return home. Such reports are not intended for publication. It is emphasized that such cases represent a very small percentage of the total large number of visits made, but that it is most important to check such defaulters for their own better training and to maintain the general high standard of conduct (cf. 1947-17 and 1951-14).

1953-11 Migrants

Upon the recommendation of the International Commissioners, the Conference recommends that any Scout or Scouter intending to migrate to another country shall be given an International Letter of Introduction, a summary of his record of Scout service and training and the address of the national headquarters of the country to which he is going.

In the case of warranted Scout leaders it is recommended that a confidential report on his ability as a Scouter should also be sent direct to the headquarters of the country to which he is going for their records. If possible the address to which any emigrant Scout or Scouter is going shall be notified to the national headquarters concerned.

Where the headquarters of any country wishes to check the previous record of an immigrant Scout or Scouter, it is essential that in applying to the International Commissioner of his former association they should give full details of his name and former rank, group and address and relevant dates of service claimed.

1953-12 Foreign Scouts Temporarily Abroad

Scouts temporarily living in another country should be given every opportunity to continue their training and should be encouraged to join a local Scout group.

The Conference recommends that such Cubs, Scouts or Rovers should continue with their badge work based on their own association's requirements but where any test is impossible for local reasons they should be allowed to take some suitable alternative test. In the case of any such boys who have not been Scouts before they should be encouraged to join a local group, by agreement with their own national Scout headquarters.

1953-13 Conduct of Meetings, Boy Scouts International Conference

The Conference thanks the International Committee for the paper circulated to all member Associations on "The Future Conduct of Meetings of the Boy Scouts International Conference," and requests that the recommendations contained therein be given full consideration in preparing its future meetings, with the exception of the recommendation on paragraph 11, clause (a) which shall be deleted.

1953-14 Appointment of President/Chairman of Conference and/or Committee

This Conference requests the International Committee to consider whether it is desirable to appoint a President and/or Chairman of the International Conference and/or Committee and to submit a report for consideration to the next International Conference. Such a report should be delivered to the National Associations by the 1st January, 1955.

1953-15 Former Scouts

The Conference welcomes the proposal to establish an International Fellowship of Former Guides and Scouts in accordance with the general principles of the draft constitution put forward by the representative meeting of Old Scout organizations of 1951 to the 13th meeting of Conference and on the undertaking given by the Old Scouts Advisory Committee and by those present at the International Conference of Former Scouts in September 1952 that the necessary safeguards for the interests of the Boy Scout Movement will be provided for in the Constitution and By-Laws of the Fellowship when adopted by that body.

The International Conference desires to make it clear that it is entirely a matter for each country to decide the form and organization of its own former Scout and Guide movements. These may be either as branches of the national Scout or Guide associations or an independent body having their approval.

The Conference instructs the International Committee to ensure that these safeguards and any other necessary procedures are agreed between the Boy Scouts International Committee, the World Committee of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts and the Council of the Fellowship. Further, the Conference instructs the International Committee on its behalf to agree the formation of a permanent coordinating body representing the committees and council aforesaid for the following purposes:

- a) To discuss matters of mutual interest.
- b) To promote closer cooperation in order to secure the deeper understanding and wider development of the Boy Scout and Girl Guide and also former Scout and former Guide aims, principles and practices.
- c) To the best of its power to resolve by consultation any problems or difficulties referred to it by the Boy Scouts International Committee, the World Committee of the Girl Guides and Girl Scouts or the Council of the Fellowship.

The Conference offers its cordial good wishes to the inaugural assembly of the Fellowship to be held in Switzerland next October for every future success.

1953-16 Retention of the Interest of Boys

The Conference asks the International Committee

- a) To place the subject of "retention of the interest of the boy" on the Agenda for the 15th International Conference.
- b) In preparation for this Conference, to issue to each member Association a questionnaire as to losses of boys at various ages and also as to losses of leaders, and the reasons for such losses.

1953-17 Purpose of "Jamboree" Journal

The Conference requests the International Committee to study the purpose, content and format of "Jamboree" in relation to its use for the dissemination of information of an international nature.

1953-18 UNICEF

The Conference commends the "United Nations Children's Fund" (UNICEF) as a valuable world instrument for child welfare and relief work and recommends its Member Associations to consider assistance and support for the national and regional committees and agencies of UNICEF in their work and to making known its purpose and work to their own members.

1953-19 Cooperation with the Girl Guide Movement

The Conference thanks the Swedish delegation for their paper, " Co-operation with the Girl Guide Movement."

The Conference recommends and requires:

- a) thorough study of the field of co-operation and co-education in Scouting by the Boy Scouts International Bureau and the World Bureau of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts on an international level;
- b) Studies of the national pattern of co-education and its bearing on Scout activities by the different Scout Associations. These studies must be free from prejudice and arranged jointly with parents, teachers, social workers and, of course, the young people themselves.

1953-20 2nd Agoon

The Conference thanks the Belgian delegation for their report on the 2nd Agoon and refers the proposals contained therein to the International Committee for study and report to the 15th International Conference in 1955.

1953-21 15th International Conference and 8th World Jamboree

The Conference accepts with much pleasure the kind invitation of the Boy Scouts Association of Canada to hold the 8th World Jamboree and 15th International Conference in Canada in 1955, and also thanks the Boy Scouts de Syrie most warmly for their invitation.

1953-22 2nd World Indaba

The Conference accepts with much pleasure the kind invitation of De Nationale Padvinderraad to hold the 2nd World Indaba in the Netherlands in 1956.

1953-23 Centenary of Founder and Jubilee of Scouting

- a) The Conference accepts with great pleasure and enthusiasm the invitation of the Boy Scouts Association to celebrate in Great Britain in the summer of 1957 the Centenary of the Founder and the Jubilee of the beginning of the Boy Scout Movement, the celebration to take the form of a combined World Rover Moot and Scout Jamboree. This Moot will come in the regular quadrennial series but the Jamboree will be an extra one and will not replace either the 8th World Jamboree of 1955 or the subsequent World Jamboree of 1959.
- b) The Conference strongly recommends to all its member countries that in making their advance plans for the year 1957 they take fully into account the importance of celebrating by all suitable means this double anniversary.

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1955-01 Bureau Report

The report of the Boy Scouts International Bureau submitted to the Conference by Major General Spry covers the period of his first two years of office. The Conference wishes to compliment the Director on the vigorous effectiveness of his leadership and accepts his report with great satisfaction.

The Conference expresses its lively appreciation of the service which the International Bureau continues to render to world Scouting and expresses its cordial appreciation of the work and inspiration provided by MM. R.T. Lund, P.A. Siebold, L.F. Jarrett and all members of staff. The Conference especially welcomes the appointment of Mr. Lund as Deputy Director of the Bureau.

The Conference wishes to make special note of the unique service rendered by Ing. Salvador Fernandez, the Bureau Travelling Commissioner in Latin America. The Conference warmly welcomes the excellent report presented by Sr. Fernandez on behalf of the Inter-American Advisory Committee, on the energetic efforts being made for the development of Scouting in the Latin American region and the splendid results being achieved.

The organisation of the International Bureau and its plans for the future are accepted by the Conference with enthusiasm. The Conference considers that the plans of the Bureau offer a brilliant future in promoting the International Scout Movement.

1955-02 Constitution Amendments

In accordance with Article IX of the Constitution, the Conference has approved certain amendments thereto and resolves that these amendments be incorporated in the text of the Constitution and Bye-Laws forthwith.

1955-03 Registrations of Member Organizations

- A. The Conference welcomes the transfer of recognition and registration of its member Association in the Dominican Republic to:

Effective 25th November 1953

- Asociacion de Scouts Dominicanos

- B. The Conference is pleased to accord recognition and registration to:

Effective 30 August 1955

- Iranian National Organisation of Scouting
- Jordan Boy Scouts Association
- Kuwait Boy Scouts Association

and extends to all these Associations its cordial good wishes.

1955-04A Registration Fees

In order that the development of international Scouting and the necessary work of the International Bureau shall not be hampered by lack of funds, the Conference agrees that the International Committee shall raise the registration fee to the rate of £5 per 1,000 active members in 1956.

1955-04B Registration Fee System

The Conference requests the International Committee to study the possibility of relating the contribution of the different member Associations not only to the single criterion of the number of Scouts registered in each Boy Scout Association, but also to the economic development of each member country.

1955-04C Development Fund

The Conference notes with satisfaction the institution of the International Bureau Development Fund and welcomes the efforts being made to secure corporate and individual donations for this to increase the income of the Bureau.

1955-04D Stamp Scheme

The Conference commends the results achieved to date with the Bureau Stamp Scheme as a further means of income and requests all Member Associations and their overseas branches to support this plan by encouraging their members and friends to forward used postage stamps to the Bureau.

1955-05 Alpine Club

The Conference takes note of the report of the Scouts Alpine Club and the International Scout Chalet, Kandersteg, and welcomes the important improvements which have been made to the Chalet and the camping grounds during the past two years.

It is particularly noteworthy that the work of the Rovers participating in the World Rover Moot of 1953 added to the amenities of the site and that three fountains, showers and a shelter cabin have been added to the Chalet grounds.

The Conference especially thanks those associations which have furnished "national rooms" in such good style in the Chalet, and recommends to other countries, which have not yet done so, that they should also equip rooms in this way to add to the international character of this centre.

The Conference requests the Scouts Alpine Club Committee to consider the possibility of opening the Chalet for a limited period during the winter vacation season.

1955-06 Gilwell Team

The Conference expresses its most cordial appreciation of the excellent service being rendered to International Scouting by the Camp Chief of Gilwell Park, Mr. John Thurman, the staff at Gilwell and all members of the International Gilwell Training Team.

1955-07 Wood Badge Training Emblems

The Conference records with pleasure and satisfaction the worldwide adoption of the Wood Badge training system. It feels it important to maintain and safeguard the copyright of the relevant insignia.

The Conference confirms that the various emblems used in connection with the Wood Badge system of training may only be awarded to Scouters and officers who have qualified by gaining the proper certificates and on the authority of the national training commissioner or members of the international Gilwell training team, who hold honourable charges as such, in recognized Member Associations of the Conference. Specifically, these emblems are:

The Gilwell Waggle: A "Turk's Head" scarf slide of two strands made in round leather thong.

The Wood Badge: Two wooden beads, facsimile of the Dinizulu necklace, worn on a leather thong or cord round the neck.

The Gilwell Scarf: Grey scarf with a red lining bearing a MacLaren Tartan patch on the point.

No modification or addition may be made to the scarf.

The Conference further confirms that the terms "Wood Badge", "Wood Badge Course" and "Wood Badge Parchment", and the titles "Akela Leader" and "Deputy Camp Chief" may only be used in connection with this system of training, carried out under authorised leaders and as outlined in the pamphlet "The Training of Scouters and the International Gilwell Training Team".

1955-08 Port Liaison Officers

The Conference welcomes the extension of the Boy Scout Port Liaison Officers scheme. It recommends to the International Commissioners of all member countries that they should appoint some member or supporter of the Movement in this role at the principal sea and air ports or rail centres carrying international traffic. Details of such appointments should be notified on the appropriate record card to the International Bureau for inclusion in the international list of Port Liaison officers.

1955-09 International Commissioners Meeting

The Conference notes the good work of the 4th Get-Together of the International Commissioners, in Finland in 1954. Study and consideration of their comprehensive report is recommended to the International Commissioners of all member Associations.

1955-10 Training in International Scouting

The Conference recommends to all associations that they consider incorporating in their training manuals such as "First Steps in Scouting", "Tenderfoot Tests" or "Boy Scout Handbook" an explanatory paragraph in simple terms relating to the significance of the Scout Law, "A Scout is a friend to all and a brother to every other Scout" and to the term used in the investiture ceremony, "You are now a member of the worldwide brotherhood of Scouts".

The Conference requires the International Bureau to circulate to all member Associations a suggested text.

1955-11 "Losses" Report

- a) The Conference cordially thanks the select committee and all those who have contributed to it for the valuable report on "Losses of boys and leaders".
- b) The Conference strongly recommends to all Member Associations that their national headquarters should study this report thoroughly to see which of its queries and conclusions may apply to their own Scouting, and to seek the necessary solutions of their particular problems.
- c) The Conference thanks Mr. J.F. Colquhoun for his excellent presentation of this subject.

1955-12 Handicapped Advisory Committee and Fund

- a) The Conference thanks Hr. Bengt Junker for his admirable paper "Humanitarian Actions for Handicapped children".
- b) The Conference welcomes the institution of the International Advisory Committee on Scouting with the Handicapped and strongly recommends that member countries which have not already done so should cater for the inclusion of handicapped boys in ordinary groups where possible and, where it is not, by forming groups attached to sanatoria, hospitals and special schools. The Conference believes that Scouting is highly effective in the development and recreative training of all boys including those with many forms of handicap.
- c) The Conference recommends that at future world gatherings held under the aegis of the Conference the host country should consider the allocation of any collections at religious services to the international fund for the development of Scouting with the handicapped, administered by the International Bureau, or of sharing such collections between this fund and some other national Scout charity.

1955-13 Publications

The Conference welcomes the establishment of the International Advisory Committee on publications and the progress being made in this field.

The Conference expresses satisfaction with the new format of the international magazine "World Scouting" and requests vigorous support of this journal by all member associations by promoting sales and in obtaining news and pictures regularly.

The Conference especially records its deep appreciation of the most able services rendered by the editor, Mr. E.E. Reynolds, during the period 1946-1955.

1955-14 Annual Report to International Bureau

The Conference reminds all Member Associations that they are required to send to the International Bureau an annual report on their affairs. This should include details of membership, national officers, important events, public opinion on Scouting and any changes in policy, programme, organization, training, etc.

1955-15 Community Service

The Conference commends the proposal for Scout Associations to conduct national community service campaigns in the year preceding the Centenary of the Founder and the Jubilee of the Scout Movement. It is for each country to select the most suitable themes and tasks for such good turns but it is desirable that these be carried out in consultation with the appropriate national societies or public service departments, and, where applicable, with the field agencies of UNICEF, WHO, FAO.

The Conference requires the International Bureau to circulate to Member Associations a note suggesting suitable projects for their consideration.

1955-16 Geophysical Year

The Conference warmly welcomes the invitation from the organisers of the Geophysical Year for Scouts to assist in their work and with their field teams, and recommends to member Associations that, where applicable, this would prove to be a most useful form of training older Scouts, Explorers and Rovers.

1955-17 Indabas

The Conference expresses its warm appreciation of the consideration of De Nationale Padvinderraad, Netherlands in agreeing to postpone the Indaba planned for 1956 until 1960 to help ensure the success of the 1957 celebrations.

1955-18 Keynote Resolution

The Conference believes that Scouting with its methods as initiated by B.-P. Can always attract the boy if we insist on giving boys real Scouting with its romance, adventure inspired leadership, advancement programme and spiritual life.

The Conference as the central world body of our Movement expresses the conviction that World Scouting in the existing general international atmosphere can play a most important part by preparing good citizens for tomorrow with the right ideas of a constructive mutual understanding among all nations and towards lasting peace.

The Conference looks forward to B.-P.'s Centenary in 1957 and urges all Associations to strive for a standard in their Scouting which will be a worthy memorial to our great founder Lord Baden-Powell in the jubilee year of the Movement.

Let this objective be our New Horizon.

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1957-01 Bureau Report

The report of the Boy Scouts International Bureau for the years 1955-1957 submitted by Major General D.C. Spry was warmly accepted by the Conference. The continued vigorous effectiveness of the work done by the Director and his staff was noted with pleasure.

1957-02 Far East Travelling Commissioner

The report made by Mr. G.R. Padolina, Bureau Travelling Commissioner in the Far East was heartily welcomed. The Conference expresses its thanks to the Boy Scouts of the Philippines for the support given to the Bureau representative in the Far East and wishes every success to Mr. G.R. Padolina and his assistants.

1957-03 Far East Scout Advisory Committee

The Conference welcomes the inauguration of the Far East Scout Advisory Committee and believes that this body will, in consultation with the International Bureau, prove a valuable means of stimulating Scouting both nationally and internationally throughout the Far East Region. It will work in collaboration with the Boy Scouts International Bureau.

1957-04 Registrations

- A. The Conference welcomes the recognition and registration accorded since the last meeting of the Conference to:
 - Asociacion Nacional de Scouts de Honduras (eff. 11 April 1957)
 - Iraqi Boy Scouts Council (eff. 15 November 1956)
 - Sudan Boy Scout Association (eff. 31 July 1956)
 - Hoi Huong Dao Viet Nam (eff. 7 May 1957)
- B. The Conference confirms and welcomes the transfer of its recognition formerly accorded to its member Association in Ecuador to:
 - Asociacion de Scouts Ecuatorianos (Scouts del Ecuador) (eff. 19 October 1955)
- C. The Conference notes with pleasure the additional international registration in France of
 - Les Eclaireurs Israelites de France (eff. 8 August 1957)
- D. The Conference is pleased to accord recognition and separate registration to:
 - Federation of Malaya Boy Scouts Association (Persakutuan Budak Pengakap) (eff. 1 September 1957)
- E. The Conference approves the direct registration by the International Bureau of the
 - International Boy Scouts of the Canal Zone (Panama Canal Zone) (eff. 15 October 1955)
- F. and extends to all these Associations its cordial good wishes.

1957-05 B.-P. Centenary Fund

The Conference notes with great pleasure the contributions already made to the Centenary Fund and recommends all its members to support this Fund generously in order that it may be as effective as possible.

1957-06 Gilwell Training

- a) The Conference re-affirms its belief in the vital importance to the Movement of leadership training and notes with great pleasure the increasing scale of Wood Badge training in many countries and its extension to still more member countries. The Conference records its sincere gratitude to the Camp Chief and Staff at Gilwell Park and all members of the International Gilwell Training Team for their most valuable work in fostering the true spirit of Scouting in maintaining its fundamental methods and in promoting a high standard of Scoutcraft.
- b) The Conference particularly welcomes the inauguration by Gilwell Park of special instructor's courses ("Training the Team") and looks forward to considerable development along these lines. It recommends that member countries take advantage of these opportunities by sending present and potential training team members to take part in these courses.
- c) The Conference also welcomes the holding of Regional Training Team Conferences and hopes that such events will become an extension of the quadrennial Training Team Conferences held at Gilwell.
- d) The Conference expresses its cordial appreciation to the Boy Scouts of America for the admirable arrangements made for the successful Western Hemisphere Training Conference held at the Schiff Scout Reservation in October, 1956.
- e) The Conference supports the proposal that all Scouters who have taken Wood Badge Training in any country should be encouraged to subscribe regularly and on a personal basis to the funds of the 1st Gilwell Park Group and asks that National Training Leaders should encourage them to do so.

1957-07 International Commissioners

Further to Resolution 1922-12,

- a) The Conference considers it essential that member countries should at all times have an International Commissioner who will be their headquarters commissioner primarily concerned with relations between his association and those of other countries and with regular liaison with the International Committee and Bureau. The Conference holds most strongly that this is an office vital to the successful conduct and development of International Scouting and for an increasing understanding of our world brotherhood by all members of every national association.
- b) It is desirable that each International Commissioner shall have one or more assistants and thus establish a team to undertake the various tasks involved in his work. It is also desirable that national headquarters shall provide some secretarial assistance for the work of the International Commissioner's department.
- c) In countries having more than one association the International Commissioner should hold office from the federal council - Or with its full support - and there should be an assistant International Commissioner in each association. Alternatively, each component association of the federation should have its own International Commissioner with one holding the office of International Commissioner for the Federation in turn.
- d) The Conference considers it essential that the International Commissioner shall ex officio have a seat on the national council or board (or its executive committee) or shall have access to it at all times.

1957-08 International Scout Projects

The Conference is most pleased to learn of the success of the various International Scout Projects:

- The Swedish Scout Mix
- Inter-American Conferences and Camporees
- American Air and Sealifts - International Scout Exchanges
- International Scout Clubs

and offers its sincere congratulations to all those concerned in its organisation and operation.

1957-09 U.S.A. People to People Programme

The Conference records with very great pleasure the success of the People to People Programme as presented at this Conference and the tribute paid to Scouting as a result of Dr. Arthur A. Schuck, Chief Scout Executive of the Boy Scouts of America, having been selected to lead the Youth Committee of this project. Because this programme offers an unusual opportunity for building bridges of friendship between boys and girls of many countries the conference recommends that all our Scout Associations consider active support of and participation in the People to People Project.

1957-10 International Fellowship

The Conference welcomes the gradual progress of the IFOFSAG and renews its recommendation to member countries to secure the organised support of former scouts.

1957-11 International Chalet, Kandersteg

The Conference notes with pleasure the success of the appeal made at the last Conference for furnishings, etc., for the International Chalet at Kandersteg, Switzerland, and offers its grateful thanks to all those Associations who have contributed since. At the same time it would commend this project to all those Associations who have not already made gifts of this nature in the hope that the Chalet may be truly representative of the World Brotherhood.

1957-12 Scout Associations in Exile

The Conference places on record the satisfaction and pleasure at the presence of the guest delegation at the Jamboree and Conference of members of the Council of Scout Associations in Exile. It recognises the useful work for Scouting which is being done by these Associations for boys in exile in many lands and recommends the appointment of a permanent Liaison Officer of the Council of Scout Associations of the Conference. It welcomes the intention of C.S.A.E. to continue to work on present lines pending a decision by the International Conference on the future permanent relationship of C.S.A.E. with the World Brotherhood of Scouts.

1957-13 Long Term Development Plan

The Conference accepts the suggested plans for development and promotion of World Scouting during the next five years presented under the title "Operation Jubilee". It firmly believes that the start of this plan will bring about a new phase in the expansion of the Movement and that each member country will give its full and whole-hearted support to ensure its success. The Conference authorises the International Committee to proceed with the operation of this plan as soon as practicable.

1957-14 Thanks to British Scouts

The Conference conveys to the Boy Scouts Association of Great Britain, whose formation in 1907 marked the foundation of our world movement, its sincere good wishes and appreciation for the kind and substantial help and support they have so willingly given to the countries that have since then introduced Scouting.

1957-15 Thanks to All Associations

The Conference expresses its gratitude to all Member Associations for the Material and Spiritual assistance given to others throughout the past fifty years and especially during the difficult periods of war and other emergencies.

1957-16 1959 Jamboree and Conference

The Conference accepts with pleasure the kind invitation of the Boy Scouts of the Philippines to hold the 10th World Jamboree in their country and that of the Bharat Scouts and Guides to hold the 17th International Conference in India, during 1959.

1957-17 Tribute to the Scouter

The Conference records with great pleasure the selfless devotion to duty of the Scouter, who spends his time training the Boy in the game of Scouting, and pays tribute to his work.

The fine and noble example of the great company of Scouters of the world in the past fifty years will inspire those who follow in the years to come.

1957-18 The Founder

The Conference pays tribute and honours the memory of our Founder, B.-P., whose genius and spirit has created Scouting for Boys. His example and devotion to the boy will inspire and guide us always.

1957-19 Keynote Resolution

The Conference, as the central body of the Boy Scouts world brotherhood, on the occasion of its Founder's Centenary and the fiftieth Anniversary of the birth of Scouting in the world, reaffirms its faith in the fundamental principles of Scouting as founded by the former Chief Scout of the world, the late Lord Baden-Powell of Gilwell:

1. Duty to God.
2. Loyalty to one's own country.
3. Faith in world friendship and brotherhood.
4. Accepting, freely undertaking and practising the ideals set forth in the Scout Law and Promise.
5. Independence of political influence.
6. Voluntary membership.
7. The unique system of training, based on the patrol system, activities in the open air and learning by doing.
8. Service to others.

The Conference firmly believes that these principles, which have proved so successful, strongly contribute towards the formation of character in the boy of today, the man of tomorrow, to the great benefit of every nation, and through the spread of understanding and unity of purpose, of the world as a whole. May this be our endeavour in the strengthening of freedom and peace.

NEW DELHI, INDIA, JULY 29 - AUGUST 3, 1959

1959-01 Biennial Report

The report of the Boy Scouts International Committee and Bureau for the years 1957-1959, submitted by Major General D.C. Spry, was warmly accepted by the Conference. The progress achieved under "Operation Jubilee" during this period was noted with pleasure, and the Conference extends its congratulations to the Committee and Bureau.

1959-02 Registration

The Conference welcomes the recognition and registration accorded since the last meeting of the Conference to:

Effective 22nd July 1958

- Boy Scouts of Libya

Effective 2nd December 1957

- Les Eclaireurs Tunisiens

1959-03 Boy Scouts Arab Committee

The Conference notes with pleasure the establishment of an Arab Regional Office of the Bureau, and welcomes the plans of the Arab Committee for promoting and stimulating Scouting in their Region.

1959-04 Registration Fee

The Conference accepts the recommendation of the International Committee for an increase in the rate of Annual Registration Fee, and confirms the rate for the years 1960 and 1961 shall be \$20.00 per 1,000 uniformed members.

1959-05 1961 Rover Moot and International Conference

The Conference adopts with pleasure the kind invitations of Australia, to hold the 7th World Rover Moot, and of Portugal to be hosts to the 18th International Conference, during 1961.

1959-06 Visits Abroad, Information

The Conference recommends to the International Commissioners that they should supply to the Scout headquarters of neighbouring countries, information pamphlets and notes for the guidance of intending Scout visitors coming to their own country for camping or touring.

1959-07 Legal Protection

With reference to Conference Resolutions 1924-12 and 1931-12, it is considered regrettable that in many countries the Movement does not have adequate legal status for the national Scouts association, nor safeguards for its titles, badges, etc. The Conference strongly urges all member countries not having comprehensive legal protection, to take steps to obtain this.

1959-08 Far East Region

- A. The Conference has received with much interest and pleasure, the reports from U Ba Htay, Chairman of the Regional Committee and Mr. G.R. Padolina, Regional Executive Commissioner.
- B. The Conference cordially welcomes the inauguration of the Far East Regional Scout Conference and notes with pleasure that the Far East Scout Advisory Committee has been granted consultative status by the International Committee. It believes that these two bodies will assist the full development of Scouting, both national and international, throughout the Far East Region

1959-09 International Projects

The Conference is most pleased to learn of the success of various international Scout Projects:

- The Scouts Alpine Club
- The Explorer Belt Scheme
- The Philia
- The Joint Afro-European Caravans

The Conference offers its sincere congratulations to all those concerned in the organisation and operation of these projects and believes that these and similar schemes make a real and effective contribution to spreading the sense of brotherhood throughout our membership. It recommends that all Associations adopt similar projects wherever possible.

1959-10 Handicapped Advisory Committee And Fund

The Conference has received with great pleasure the report presented by Mr. K.C. Dassenaïke on behalf of the International Advisory Committee on Scouting with the Handicapped, and notes with pleasure the considerable efforts being made by member associations and the International Bureau to assist many boys suffering from various forms of handicap. The Conference strongly recommends to other associations that they consider the adoption of this work.

1959-11 B.-P. Memorial Scholarships

The Conference approves whole-heartedly, the Committee's decision to establish these training scholarships out of the income of the B.-P. Centenary Fund, and recommends that all associations which have not already contributed to the latter, do so at the earliest opportunity, in order that the number and value of the Scholarships may be increased.

1959-12 International Training Centre

The Conference warmly welcomes the following statement issued by the Boy Scouts Association (Great Britain):

"At the International Conference of 1947, the Chief Scout of the British Commonwealth and Empire gave an assurance that Gilwell Park would be maintained as an International as well as national training centre and that the International Bureau would be associated with its international functions. During the twelve years since then, the value of Wood Badge training has been recognised by successive International Conferences and the Boy Scouts Association (Great Britain) and the Camp Chief and staff of Gilwell have been happy to welcome more than 2,900 Scouters from 113 countries at Wood Badge courses there."

"The Boy Scouts Association (Great Britain) on the eve of the appointment of a new Chief Scout, desire to reaffirm their intention of maintaining the International and Commonwealth training facilities at Gilwell Park so as to render it of ever-growing service to World Scouting in the training of its leaders and in the promotion of world unity in the spirit and fundamentals of Scouting as laid down by the Founder."

1959-13 Keynote Resolution

On the occasion of the holding of the World Jamboree and the International Conference for the first time in the East, the Conference notes with pleasure the way in which Scout Principles and ideals are practised so successfully in this part of the globe.

It is particularly appropriate that this 17th International Conference meets in India, the country which gave our Founder the background for Cubbing and the ideas which were later developed into the Scout Method. By faithfully following B.-P.'s precepts for the benefit of the boy we shall all take our full share in "Building To-morrow, To-day".

LISBON, PORTUGAL, SEPTEMBER 20-24, 1961

1961-01 Biennial Report

The report of the Boy Scouts International Committee and Bureau for the years 1959-1961, submitted by Major-General D.C. Spry, was warmly accepted by the Conference. The progress achieved was noted with pleasure, and the Conference extends its congratulations to the Committee and Bureau.

1961-02 Registration

The Conference welcomes the recognition and registration accorded since the last meeting to:

Effective November 20th 1959

- Association des Scouts Laos

Effective December 16th 1959

- The Ghana Boy Scouts Association
- Federation du Scoutisme Malgache

Effective February 16th 1961

- Boy Scouts of Nigeria

Effective May 1st 1961

- Boy Scouts of Cyprus

Effective August 8th 1961

- Federation Nationale du Scoutisme Marocain

And also the European Coal and Steel Community (Bureau List) effective November 6th, 1959 and Scouts de Monaco (Bureau List) effective 7th June 1961.

1961-03 Registration Fee

The Conference accepts the recommendation of the International Committee that there shall be no increase in the rate of Annual Registration Fee, and confirms that the fee for the years 1962 and 1963 shall be at the rate of \$20.00 (U.S. currency) per 1,000 uniformed members for a full year and pro rata for shorter periods.

1961-04 4th World Indaba and 19th World Conference

The Conference offers its sincere thanks to those members who submitted invitations for the 4th World Indaba and the 19th World Conference and requests the Committee to study these and submit proposals to the Conference for a postal vote.

1961-05A Reports

The Conference has received with much interest and pleasure the reports from the Inter-American, Far East and Arab Regional Committees, together with that presented by the Scouts Alpine Club.

1961-05B European Region

The Conference cordially welcomes the inauguration of the European Regional Conference and Committee and has received with pleasure the report presented by its first chairman. It firmly believes that these two bodies will together assist the further development of Scouting in the countries of the continent where the Movement was born.

1961-06 Training

- a) The Conference welcomes the inauguration of the International Training Advisory Committee, under the chairmanship of Mr. W.D. Campbell, and congratulates the Committee on the progress it has made in the unification and extension of leadership training throughout the world.

- b) This Conference wholeheartedly supports the recommendation of the 3rd International Training Conference that:
 - i) The definition of requirements set out in the paper "Wood Badge Training - an international scheme" be accepted.
 - ii) Those associations which have not already appointed a national training commissioner, be encouraged to do so.
 - iii) The procedures set out in the paper "International Training Administration" be accepted.
 - iv) Where appropriate, every encouragement be given to the training of professionals.
- c) The Conference welcomes the proposed publication of a "National Training Commissioner's Handbook", the interchange of ideas and experiences, and, in particular, the holding of international and regional training conferences.
- d) International training centre. The Conference records its gratitude to the International Training Centre, Gilwell Park, for the irreplaceable contribution which it has made, is making and will continue to make to world Scouting, and expresses its appreciation to the (British) Boy Scouts Association for making this contribution possible.

1961-07 Spain

The Conference notes with pleasure the presence at its meeting of representatives from Spain and looks forward to the day when there will again be a flourishing Scout Movement in the country, able to participate fully in World Scout events.

1961-08 Duty to God/Religion

(Argentina and Venezuela dissented)

The Conference recognizes that Duty to God/Religion is basic in the philosophy and intent of the Boy Scout Movement.

For Scout associations which so wish the Promise must be capable of being formulated so that allowance is made for the fact that their membership may include believers in a Personal God and also those who acknowledge a spiritual Reality.

Any such information must be in accord with the original Scout Promise that recognizes a supreme spiritual Presence in the Universe.

The Conference sees as the responsibility of the Scout organization the need to reach as many boys as possible in the area of our influence, to guide them toward a spiritual life and to assure that the religious faith to which a Scout belongs is fully safe-guarded.

1961-09 Committee Members Expenses

The Conference confirms the decision of the International Committee and authorizes it to reimburse, as necessary, reasonable expenses incurred by its members in attending its meetings.

1961-10 United Nations

The Conference has heard with shock and deep regret of the sudden death of Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld, Secretary-General of the United Nations. He carried out his duties with exceptional ability and his loss will be felt by all members of the free world. The Conference instructs that messages conveying its sincere sympathy be sent to his family and to the United Nations Secretariat.

1961-11 Delegates to Meetings of Conference

The Conference considers it desirable that national associations appoint as their delegates to its meetings persons of the highest calibre obtainable, and recommends that they be appointed from amongst the national officers and those responsible for administration, training, programme and international relationships so as to give the broadest base of experience and knowledge to the delegation.

1961-12 World Scout Flag/Badge

The Conference resolves that the official flag of the World Scout movement shall consist of a field of purple bearing a white fleur-de-lys surrounded by a design representing a white rope, knotted centrally at the bottom with a reef knot, and authorises the use of such flag by its member Associations, or any unit thereof.

1961-13 Badge and Flag of the International Committee and Bureau

The Conference resolves that the official badge and flag of the International Committee and Bureau shall be a fleur-de-lys surrounded by two concentric circles containing the words "ASIA, AMERICA, EUROPE, AFRICA, AUSTRALIA," the whole to be in white on a field of purple.

1961-14 Change in Financial Year

The Conference approves the recommendation of the International Committee that the fiscal year of the Committee and Bureau shall as from 1st January 1962, end on the 30th September.

1961-15 Promise and Law

The Conference desires to stress once again the vital necessity of transmitting to the boy, in accordance with his level of understanding and ability, the true meaning of the Promise and Law as well as his personal responsibility thereto.

1961-16 Public Relations

The Conference, realizing the necessity of making the principles of Scouting more widely known to governments and the general public and the need for Scouts themselves to live by these principles, stresses the importance of careful selection and training of Scouters who by their personal example educate the young Scouts and influence society.

1961-17 Constitution

In accordance with article IX of the Constitution, the Conference has approved certain revisions and amendments thereto and resolves that these amendments and revisions be incorporated in the text of the Constitution and Bye-Laws with effect from the 25th September, 1961. The Conference desires that the revised text be published in the official languages and circulated to member countries as soon as possible after that date.

The Committee is authorised to edit the final numbering of clauses, and punctuation, and to ensure that the French text is correct before publication.

RHODES, GREECE, AUGUST 12-19, 1963

1963-01 Relationships, United Nations

Considering the importance of a friendly and active relationship with international organizations both governmental and non-Governmental, and in particular with U.N.O and U.N.E.S.C.O.

The Conference offers its thanks for the spirit of cooperation which these organizations have shown in the past and its hope of seeing these relations continued and strengthened in the future.

1963-02 Relationships, Red Cross

The Conference places on record its unbounded admiration of the outstanding humanitarian work which the Red Cross has carried out in all parts of the world since its foundation one hundred years ago; expresses its deep appreciation to those selfless workers who have devoted their lives to the relief of suffering; shares the ideals and motives which have inspired them; urges all Member Associations to increase their efforts to strengthen cooperation at the local level with the Red Cross, so that maximum benefits for the youth of the world may be achieved.

1963-03 Mourning of His Holiness Pope John XXIII

Joins with peoples of every nation and faith in mourning the death of His Holiness Pope John XXIII, who by his personal example and the inspiration he gave contributed so greatly towards world peace and understanding.

1963-04 Sympathy for Boy Scouts of the Philippines and families of boys in the tragic aircraft accident

Extends its most sincere sympathy to the Boy Scouts of the Philippines and to the families of the boys involved in the tragic aircraft accident on their way to the Jamboree.

Joins in the mourning of the 14,000 Scouts at Marathon for the loss of their 26 brothers.

Commends the spirit and courage of the Boy Scouts of the Philippines and the parents of the three boys subsequently sent to represent their country.

1963-05 Procedure, Control of Inter-Country Aid

The Conference cordially approves the many instances of help given to other countries in times of national disaster, famine, earthquake, etc., and considers this practice as being in the true spirit of the Scout Law.

Considers it desirable that such help, whether financial or material, should be notified to the national Scout headquarters concerned. Any appeal for help issued by a national Scout association shall be notified to the World Bureau.

1963-06 Development Funds

Welcomes the proposal to institute a World Scout Friendship Day in order to emphasize the international aspects of Scouting and to give an opportunity to all Members of the Movement to share in a co-operative effort to make Scouting available to an ever increasing number of boys throughout the world.

Recommends that on this day each and every Scout be urged to contribute a token amount towards a World Friendship Day Fund.

Instructs the World Committee to use amounts thus collected for development projects only and to account for such funds annually in a special statement. (Re-affirmed 1969-06).

Considers it desirable that advance information of projects planned be made available to Member Associations.

1963-07 Expansion

The Conference welcomes the proposals of the World Committee to secure increased Scouting membership, especially in those countries having ample scope for expansion.

Urges all these countries to participate fully in this drive to bring Scouting to many more boys.

1963-08 Regions

The Conference records the favourable results obtained in the various parts of the world, as a result of the continued efforts of Regional Conferences and their Executive Committees.

Underlines the importance of this regional action and the need to increase the means put at the disposal of these organizations.

1963-09 Registrations

Welcomes the recognition and registration accorded since the last meeting to:

Effective 10th March, 1962

- Asociacion de Scouts de Paraguay

Effective 12th March, 1963

- Bureau du Scoutisme Congolais(12.3.63)
- College du Scoutisme du Senegal
- Tanganyika Boy Scouts Association

Effective 30th April, 1963

- The Boy Scouts Association of Jamaica

Is pleased to accord recognition and registration to:

Effective 13th August, 1963

- Scouts Musulmans Algeriens
- Saudi Arabian Boy Scouts Association
- Boy Scouts Association of Trinidad and Tobago

and extends to all these Associations its cordial good wishes.

1963-10 Development of Movement

Considering the urgent need to expand Scouting for the benefit of more boys in countries which have recently achieved independence.

The Conference presents a warm recognition to those Member Associations who are already giving their support in this field.

Calls all Member Associations to offer their help in some way to those Scout associations which are in the development stage.

Expresses confidence in the efforts carried out in these countries for enlargement of our world brotherhood.

1963-11 Badge of the International Committee and Bureau

Resolves that Resolution 1961-13 shall be amended by deleting the words 'and flag' so as to read "the official badge of the World Committee and Bureau shall be a fleur-de-lis surrounded by two concentric circles containing the words 'Asia, America, Europe, Africa, Australasia', the whole to be in white on a field of purple."

1963-12 Jamboree-On-The-Air (Radio)

The Conference notes with satisfaction the increasing popularity of the "Jamboree-on-the-Air" and recommends its members to encourage even greater participation in this annual event as a means of promoting world friendship and the world brotherhood and as an introduction to the field of electronics.

1963-13 Jamborees, Organization

The Conference welcomes the novel experiment of having an international staff to help in the preparation and conduct of the 11th World Jamboree, and suggests that it may be considered for the conduct of future Jamborees.

It warmly approves the provision of a full programme of activities for the Scouts participating which was so popular and successful, and expresses the strong wish that all future World Jamborees should provide a program of activities on similar lines.

1963-14 Moots

The Conference accepts the recommendations of the World Committee that:

- a) In place of World Rover Moots, 1965 be declared a "Rover Moot year".
- b) That it shall be open to any region or area to organize a Rover Moot within that year.
- c) That such area Moots shall be primarily for members of the Movement of the age group 17-23 within that area.
- d) Details of all Moots shall be advertized to all member countries in advance, so that any member of this age group wishing to do so may participate in any of these Moots, e.g. A student or young technician working abroad who would like to attend the Moot nearest to his place of work.

And requests the World Bureau to coordinate plans for all Rover Moots to be held under this scheme.

1963-15 World Conferences and World Jamboree

Offers its sincere thanks to those Members who submitted invitations for the 20th and 21st World Conferences and the 12th World Jamboree, and accepts with pleasure the invitation of:

- Mexico for the 20th World Conference in 1965
- United States of America for the 12th World Jamboree and the 21st World Conference in 1967

1963-16 World Events – Political Propaganda

Considering that during recent international Scout gatherings there was evidence of political and military propaganda being distributed or exhibited, reminds all its Members that such action is not in accordance with Resolution 1924-16:

"This Conference re-asserts and emphasises the non-military character of the Boy Scout Movement. The aims and ideals of the Movement are directed towards the development of a spirit of harmony and goodwill between individuals and between nations."

and Resolution 1933-15:

"This Conference again invites attention to the fact that political propaganda of any character, direct or indirect, national or international, must not be permitted in any camp or Scout gathering in which representatives of other nations are invited to participate."

1963-17 Biennial Report

Having noted with interest the Biennial Report proposes:

- 1) that the next Reports should rather take the form of a general overall report;
- 2) consequently, more stress should be put on the efforts, research work and experiments in the educational field and should more clearly show the wish for renewing and deepening the Scouting Movement in the world.
- 3) That "World Scouting" should be used as a means whereby Member Associations can supply information on such experiments.
- 4) That the despatch of working documents and research by the World Bureau be intensified.

1963-18 Publications, Translation

The Conference resolves that in the event of disagreement between the English and other texts of any Conference, Committee or Bureau paper, publication or other written material, the English text shall be considered the original and authentic version.

1963-19 Registration Fees

The Conference accepts the recommendation of the World Committee that there shall be no increase in the rate of Annual Registration Fee, and confirms that the fee for the years 1963 and 1964 shall be at the rate of \$20.00 (U.S. currency) per 1,000 uniformed members for a full year and pro rate for shorter periods.

1963-20 Registration Fees – Boy Scouts of America

Accepts with gratitude the generous offer of the Boy Scouts of America to waive the existing mutual agreement limiting their annual registration fee to 49% of the total, so that they may pay their full share in proportion to their Scout population.

Registers its sincere thanks for this expression of the true spirit of World Brotherhood.

1963-21 Finance, Registration Fees

The Conference notes with regret the number of associations failing to pay their annual registration fees within a reasonable time, and requests all associations to pay this as soon as possible after 1st October and in any case not later than 1st April.

1963-22 Constitution, Registration Fees

Confirms the interim ruling of the World Committee regarding Article VII, section vii, of the Constitution and RESOLVES that this section shall read - "Any Member Organisation which shall have failed to pay its Annual Registration Fee (Article XV) up to and including the fiscal period ending in the year prior to the Conference, shall forfeit its right to vote at that meeting of the Conference, unless remission or postponement of dues has received prior authorisation from the World Committee."

1963-23 Publications, Copyright

The Conference acclaims the gesture of the Boy Scouts of Canada in making available to the World Bureau the publication rights of their books, etc. Outside the territorial limits of Canada, for the benefit of all members of the Conference and requests other Member Associations to consider similar action.

1963-24 Keynote Resolution

The Conference reaffirms its faith in the fundamental principles of Scouting and is convinced that they continue to keep their full value in the world of today.

- Nevertheless, registers its deep concern over the necessity of keeping the Scout programme up-to-date.
- Notes with satisfaction the positive results obtained from suggestions put forward in Rhodes.
- Urges Member Associations to re-examine their methods along these lines in order to make Scouting reflect the interests of boys of today and prepare them to take their place as the men of tomorrow.

Further inspired by the theme of the Jamboree to "Scout Higher and Wider" and with ever deeper understanding and appreciation of our fundamentals, Scouting will continue to improve throughout the world for the benefit of the boys we wish to serve.

MEXICO CITY, MEXICO, SEPTEMBER 26 - OCTOBER 3, 1965

1965-01 Registrations

The Conference welcomes the recognition and registration accorded since the last meeting to:

Effective 11 Jan., 1964

- Federation du Scoutisme du Dahomey
- The Kenya Boy Scouts Association
- The Uganda Boy Scouts Association

Effective 1 June, 1964

- Da Afghanistan Zaranduy Tolanah

Effective 24 August, 1964

- Sierra Leone Boy Scouts Association

Effective 26 May, 1965

- Boy Scouts of Liberia

Effective 31 August, 1965

- Zambia Boy Scouts Association

Records with pleasure the establishment of and transfer of international registration to:

Federation of Irish Scout Associations (transfer 23rd March, 1965) and extends to all these member countries its cordial good wishes.

1965-02 Cessation of WOSM Membership

The Conference records with great regret the cessation of activities of the Burma Boy Scouts and the Khemarak Kayarith in Cambodia in 1964 and extends its sincere sympathy to the many thousands of Scouts in these two countries who are now deprived of the opportunity of membership of our brotherhood.

Looks forward to the day when these Associations will rejoin our worldwide Movement.

1965-03 Quezon City, Philippines

The Conference commends the Municipal Council of Quezon City, Philippines, for its initiative in naming 24 streets after the 24 Scouts who perished in an air crash en route to the XI World Jamboree, as well as one rotunda "Scouts Circle" and two streets, "Marathon Street" and "XI World Jamboree Street," respectively.

1965-04 Biennial Report

The Conference accepts the World Committee Biennial Report for 1963 to 1965, as presented by the Director of the World Bureau and commends the continued and successful efforts of the World Bureau staff in Ottawa as well as in the Regional Offices.

Records with satisfaction the attainment of a membership of 10,000,000 during this period.

1965-05 Forward Planning

The Conference has heard with great interest the Statement regarding Forward Planning submitted by the World Committee in whom it unanimously renews its confidence, especially in view of such preparatory work as may be necessary before the 21st World Conference, at which final decisions may be taken on future developments of World Scouting and its administration.

It furthermore urges all member associations to cooperate closely with the World Committee by submitting their propositions and suggestions on this subject.

1965-06 Procedure, Offers of Aid

The Conference commends and warmly appreciates the exchange of visits and offers of aid and advice of all kinds among the Scout associations of various countries, in the spirit of Scout brotherhood and mutual aid.

Requires, as a matter of procedure, that such visits, as well as requests for and offers of such aid or advice shall be agreed upon in advance by the national headquarters of the recognized Scout association concerned, or by the World Committee in the case of countries where no recognized association exists.

Emphatically disapproves the practice of any Scout association, or consultative body, or advisory group, or individual member of the Movement, promoting such aid or advice without observing the procedure as set out above.

Instructs the World Committee to proceed to any measure necessary to prevent or counteract any contravention of this rule.

1965-07 Public Relations

The Conference recognizes the importance of intensified public relations programmes in all Member Associations and recommends the strengthening of public relations services on a worldwide level.

1965-08 Training for citizenship, Community Service

The Conference holds that one of the paramount aims of the Scout Movement is to train boys to be useful and active citizens. It is incumbent on national Scout associations to see that their unit programme provides opportunities for Scouts to exercise leadership, train in service to others and to develop themselves as citizens.

The Conference further recommends that national associations shall ensure that information and ideas related to training in service are widely disseminated to put this aim into practice by all members.

1965-09 Director - World Bureau

The Conference places on record its profound and most sincere appreciation of the services rendered to the World Scout Movement by Major-General D.C. Spry, Deputy Director from 1951 to 1953, Director of the World Bureau from 1953 to 1965.

His untiring efforts, the unselfish pursuance of his duties, his loyalty to the ideals of Scouting, his wide vision and firm belief in the possibilities of the Movement, have decisively contributed to the expansion and the strengthening of World Scouting during his term of office and have set a standard and example which will serve as a source of inspiration to us all.

The Conference furthermore extends its deep gratitude to Mrs. Betty Spry whose support and sympathetic understanding it hereby wishes to recognize.

1965-10 Keynote Resolution

- That Scouting is as vigorous a Movement today as it was at its inception by the Founder, Lord Baden-Powell.
- That it is imperative to sustain the ideals and to keep up the high standards of Scouting in a changing world.
- That, nevertheless, a scrutinizing inquiry into all aspects of Scouting be it detailed rules, general policy or administrative organization, method of training or future planning, aims and perspectives, or even fundamental principles - can only be beneficial to the Movement at both national and world level.
- That it is the duty of us all not to spare any effort to break through to more boys, offering them such better Scouting as our inquiry can help us to conceive.

As members of this Conference, we pledge ourselves to stand united in the true Scout Spirit in our purpose to serve the BOY.

Let this Unity be the Impetus behind all our endeavours.

SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, U.S.A, AUGUST 11-17, 1967

1967-01 Registrations

The Conference records the recognition and registration of three Associations accorded since the XX Conference in Mexico:

Effective 16th December, 1965

- Qatar Boy Scouts Association

Effective 20th August, 1966

- The Singapore Boy Scouts Association

Effective 28th October, 1966

- The Malta Boy Scouts Association

And records its action according recognition and registration:

Effective 12th August, 1967.

- The Boy Scouts Association of Guyana

The Conference extends to these four Associations its best wishes for successful Scouting.

1967-02 European Region

The Conference records with pleasure that the World Committee has approved of the Constitution and By-Laws of the European Regional Scout Conference and accorded consultative status to the European Executive Committee in the manner accorded to other regional bodies.

1967-03 Africa

The Conference notes with pleasure the report on the progress of the Movement in the African Region and asks the World Committee to give due consideration to the need for increased development.

1967-04 Finances, Development Funds

The Conference records its sincere appreciation to those national associations and individual members of the Movement who have contributed to the World Scout Friendship Fund, and calls to the attention of all member countries the manifold needs of Scouting in many parts of the world for greatly improved facilities and services to ensure the full development of Scouting.

Urges the entire membership of the Movement to give this Fund unstinted support so that the necessary means shall be provided to carry out these essential projects. (Title of Fund changed 1969-06)

1967-05 Training

Recommends that Member Countries be cognizant of the need for a continuing and even more intensified study of Adult Leader Training as a vital part of the long range development programme of the Scout Movement; and recommends that the World Bureau and the World Training Sub-Committee specifically carry out such studies and formulate such plans as are relevant to this programme.

1967-06 Training, Development

The Conference calls attention to the recommendations of the 4th World Training Conference held at Gilwell Park and urges their immediate implementation by member countries, particularly those relating to a 5% surcharge on Wood Badge Course fees and the proposals to celebrate the Golden Jubilee of Gilwell Park in 1969.

1967-07 Public Relations, Training

Whereas we consider it necessary for all adult leaders in the Movement to be competent communicators, this Conference recommends that steps be taken to include public relations training in the syllabi of appropriate adult leader training courses on both the international and national levels.

1967-08 Universal Badge

Realising that the wearing of Scout uniform is an important factor in promoting international understanding and friendship, but that the Scout uniform cannot be worn all the time, the Conference recommends that the World Committee study the possibility of having a common universal badge to be adopted by all Member Scout Organizations both for use in or out of uniform.

1967-09 Finances

The Conference desires that every effort be made to meet operating expenses from registration fees and as soon as possible. It further desires that special donations should be allotted, in principle and as soon as possible, to development needs.

1967-10 Registration Fee

The Conference accepts the recommendation of the World Committee setting the annual registration fee in the future at U.S. \$30.00 per 1,000 uniformed members.

1967-11 Constitution Revision

In accordance with Article XVI of the 1961 Constitution, the Conference has duly approved certain amendments and revisions thereto, and directs that these amendments and revisions be incorporated in the text of a Constitution and By-Laws, the effective date of which shall be 18th August, 1967.

Where the word "Association" is used in the sense of the National Member Organization of the Conference, then this is to be revised by using the word "Organization".

The Conference directs the World Committee to re-vise the text, as amended by Conference, and to publish it.

The Committee is authorised to arrange the necessary editing, numbering of clauses, to ensure the correct translation and to publish it in the official languages of the Conference.

1967-12 World Bureau, Location

The Conference confirms the decision to move the headquarters of the Boy Scouts World Bureau to Geneva, Switzerland as soon as practicable; expresses its appreciation to Canada, where it is now presently situated, and to all countries which have offered their facilities and assistance as to the relocation of the Bureau

1967-13 Boy Scout and Girl Guide/Girl Scout Organizations

The Conference receives with interest and endorses the joint statement of policy on relationships of Girl Guide/Girl Scout and Boy Scout Organizations, as proposed by the respective World Committees jointly.

1967-14A World Jamboree and World Conference, 1971

Confirms the decision to hold the 13th World Jamboree and the 23rd World Conference in Japan in 1971 and records its thanks to all the countries which offered to be hosts to these World Events.

1967-14B World Conference, 1969

Confirms the decision to hold the 22nd World Conference in Finland and conveys its thanks to all the countries which invited the said conference.

1967-15 Keynote Resolution

As Scouting begins its sixty-first year, it looks backward with pride and forward with enthusiasm.

Scouting embodies today all of the lasting principles of its Founder, Lord Baden-Powell; yet at the same time, through its standards, adapts itself to the world of tomorrow.

Through a strong world organisation dedicated to service at all levels, Scouting has become a major cohesive force among peoples and youth.

The ties of mutual interest and experience bind Scouts of all the World, transcending world events. The training and ideals of Scouting, infused in man and boy, have created bonds whose strength has endured through life.

The XXI World Conference pledges itself with renewed zeal to the interests of World Scouting, World Brotherhood and mutual understanding.

OTANIEMI, FINLAND, AUGUST 21-27, 1969

1969-01 Registrations

Welcomes the recognition and registration accorded to the following Scout Associations since the 21st World Scout Conference in Seattle, Washington, USA:

Botswana	2 nd January, 1968
Surinam	28 th March, 1968
Swaziland	8 th November, 1968
Nepal	16 th April, 1969
Barbados	26 th June, 1969
Central African Republic	30 th July, 1969
Ethiopia	22 nd August, 1969

1969-02 African Scout Committee

The Conference notes with appreciation the inauguration of the African Scout Committee and believes that this body will prove, in collaboration with the World Scout Committee and World Bureau, a valuable means of promoting Scouting throughout the Africa Region.

1969-03 Declaration of Principle

The Boy Scouts World Conference:

- a) Asserts its belief that the ideals as set forth in "Scouting for Boys" are so fundamental as to transcend the limits of race and country.
- b) Records that the aims, basis and fundamental principles are defined by the World Scout Constitution (Articles III and IV).
- c) Declares that the Boy Scout Movement is a movement of national, international and universal character, the object of which is to endow each separate nation and the whole world with a youth which is spiritually, morally and physically strong. It is national in that it aims, through national organizations, at endowing every nation with useful and healthy citizens. It is international in that it recognizes no national barrier in the comradeship of the Scouts. It is universal in that it insists upon brotherhood between all Scouts of every nation, class or creed.
- d) Reaffirms its steadfast loyalty to the aims, principles and methods of Scouting for Boys, as inaugurated by the late Lord Baden-Powell, and its belief in the value of international Scouting in the promotion of understanding and goodwill among all peoples.
- e) Asserts that whilst membership in Scouting in any country should foster true patriotism, this should genuinely be kept within the limits of international cooperation and friendship irrespective of creed and race.

Therefore

1. The Conference reaffirms that the conditions for international recognition of any national Scout organization (and its membership) are set forth in the Constitution of the Boy Scouts World Conference.

Recognition does not represent intrusion into the field of politics, nor should it be considered by any government or official as affecting the sovereignty or diplomatic status of any country.
2. The Conference further re-affirms that "the aim of the Boy Scout Movement is to develop good citizenship among boys by forming their character, training them in habits of observation, obedience and self-reliance; inculcating loyalty and thoughtfulness for others; teaching them services useful to the public and handicrafts useful to themselves; promoting their physical, mental and spiritual development".

1969-04 Unity of Scouting

Convinced that the unity of the World Scout Movement in brotherhood, structure and action is of the highest importance in its efforts to serve the boys of the modern world and to bring Scouting to all boys desiring membership:

The Conference having carefully studied the paper presented by the British delegation entitled "The Unity of the World Scout Movement", is deeply impressed by its relevance in a divided world. It recommends a careful study of this paper by all member countries and by the World Committee.

It also requires that every effort be made to put into practice as soon as possible the proposals for unity and practical Scout internationalism contained in it and that its spirit guide the work of the World Movement. It directs the World Committee to ensure that any new country wishing to apply for membership of the Conference shall be encouraged and helped as necessary to establish a single, united national organization open to all boys.

1969-05 World Scout Emblem, Flag & Badge

1. The World Scout Emblem

The Conference resolves that the World Scout Emblem shall consist of a field of royal purple bearing the white international arrowhead surrounded by a white rope in a circle and a central reef knot at the bottom, authorizes its use and reproduction by Member Associations and their members in forms not intended for sale, and directs that it be incorporated in the emblem designs of official international events.

2. World Emblem, Promotion and Protection

The Conference recognizes the values to the Movement of using the World Scout Emblem, and directs the World Bureau to act on behalf of the Movement to control protection of the Emblem and to license whenever appropriate its reproduction in any form intended for sale.

3. World Brotherhood Items

The Conference encourages Member Associations to build familiarity for the World Scout Emblem and its significance both within Scouting and with the public, directs the World Bureau to continue to study and make available appropriate "world brotherhood items" carrying the emblem, and urges associations to make such items readily available to their members through Scout shops, special events and camps.

4. The World Scout Badge and Flag

- a) The World Scout Badge shall consist solely of the World Scout Emblem contained within a circle, as defined in paragraph 1.
- b) The World Scout Flag shall consist solely of the World Scout Emblem with the field rectangular, three units wide by two units high, the Emblem central and 1.25 units wide.
- c) The use of the World Scout Badge and World Scout Flag by Member Associations, their units and members, is authorized and encouraged whenever appropriate.

5. Resolutions 1961-12, 1961-13 & 1963-11 are hereby revoked.

1969-06 Finance, Development Funds

The Conference:

1. Approves the proposal from the World Committee concerning funds now in existence and certain funds to be acquired in the future and instructs the Committee to:
 - a) create a fund for capital gifts which will receive the capital gifts now in the B-P. Centenary Fund. (Any new capital gifts or grants would normally be diverted to the World Scouting Foundation.) Investment of these capital amounts to be directed by the Administration Sub-Committee. Income from this capital account to be accumulated or expended in accordance with the wishes of the donor; if no such direction exists, then income shall be added to the Scout Universal Fund as explained in paragraph 3.
 - b)
 - i. Maintain for accounting purposes the identity of:
 1. B-P. Memorial Grants Fund
 2. Fund for Scouting with the Handicapped
 3. Any future special purposes fund.
 - ii. Transfer balances from the World Friendship Day Fund and the World Jamboree Fund to the Scout Universal Fund as explained in paragraph 3.
2. Authorizes the amalgamation of any current or operating funds for the purpose of investment, where such an amalgamation benefits the Movement, the Administration Sub-Committee to review policy and account to the World Committee annually in a special separate statement.
3. Authorizes the creation of a new fund to be called the Scout Universal Fund to receive new gifts and grants, and the transfer thereto from the World Friendship Day Fund and from the World Jamboree Fund, as in paragraph 1b (ii). Expenditures from this fund to be at the discretion of the World Committee as defined in Resolution 1963-06 of the 19th World Conference. An annual statement of income and expenditures to be prepared in a special report.
4. Approves the proposal that there shall be a Scout U Fund Day in each year on February 22nd (Founder's Day) and recommends to member countries and to all members of the Movement throughout the world that on this day members of the Movement shall share in a cooperative effort to make Scouting available to an increasing number of boys throughout the world by contributing to this fund.

1969-07 Community Service

- a) The Conference emphasizes the fundamental importance in Scouting of training boys to be useful to others and in service to the community as an essential part of training for active citizenship.
- b) The Conference specifically recommends to countries:
 1. The value of having a headquarters commissioner or a member of the national programme committee particularly concerned with community service.
 2. The importance of the project method in helping Scouts participate in planning and conducting their service projects as a means of making these significant to the Scouts themselves.
 3. The need for thorough training for emergency service, the formation of local rescue teams and service squads prepared for such action and of proper liaison in advance with the appropriate authorities.
 4. The importance of national associations carrying Scouting to boys who are orphans, underprivileged or handicapped.

1969-08 Publicity for Community Service Projects

In order to encourage Scout associations to adopt and undertake community development and community service projects as integral parts of their Scouting programmes and in order to provide Scout associations with examples and models of such projects, the Conference recommends that the World Bureau study the possibility of compiling documentaries on film, print and record tapes of the more outstanding existing community service projects conducted by associations with the end in view of bringing these projects to the attention of all Scout associations by giving them the widest possible publicity in all media, in particular through the use of the facilities of established regional radio networks.

1969-09 Training

Having met with training as a major theme, and having had the opportunity of studying the presentation on various aspects of the subject, and subsequently discussing them, the Conference:

1. Welcomes the establishment of the reconstituted World Training Sub-Committee, and endorses the action of the World Committee in recognizing the Training Sub-Committee as the authority at world level for the coordination of adult leader training policies and procedures, acting on behalf of the World Conference and World Committee.
2. Reaffirms its belief that the voluntary acceptance by Scout organizations of a coordinated scheme of adult leader training provides one of the most valuable and practical methods in achieving unity in World Scouting and records its agreement that the pursuit of this objective by this process should be continued.
3. Having heard and discussed the report to the Conference by the World Training Sub-Committee, unanimously expresses its complete agreement with the philosophy and principles contained in the report and recommendations. It considers that the flexibility in the proposals makes their implementation a realistic, practical and exciting possibility, and records its appreciation to the World Training Sub-Committee for the work done in the development of the report and the proposals.
4. Resolves that the policies and procedures on training, as established by Resolution 1955-07 of the 16th International Conference and 1961-06 of the 19th International Conference are now modified by the adoption of all the recommendations contained in the Report for the World Training Sub-Committee dated 21st August 1969, in relation to unit leader training, national trainers, courses for trainers, international training centres, Gilwell Park, training administration and training services.
5. Welcomes the continuing use of the national training commissioners handbook and its recent publication in the French and Arabic languages, and approves its progressive revision and development as the recognized medium of publication of the policies and procedures for the coordination of adult leader training, as established by the World Training Sub-Committee.
6. Requests the World Committee to give the World Training Sub-Committee the necessary authority and facilities to develop the detailed plans and procedures necessary to implement the policies expressed above, and requests the World Training Sub-Committee to continue its work designed to improve the processes of coordination of adult leader training throughout the world, with the objective of presenting a further report to the 23rd World Conference in 1971.

1969-10 International Procedure, Grant Aid

Further to Resolution 1965-06, the Conference requests that all associations notify the World Bureau in advance of their offers of international technical assistance or grant aid projects.

1969-11 Training of Leaders

In consonance with the interest and concern shown by this Conference in the need for more and better trained Scout leaders and in order to bring about a better understanding of the Scout Movement and its principles at the highest levels of Scouting, the Conference recommends to all Member Associations that all officials elected or appointed to membership in national, provincial, district and area councils or boards be encouraged to undergo training in the basic fundamentals of the Scouting Movement before assuming office.

1969-12 Youth Conferences

The Conference encourages national Scout associations and regions to arrange youth conferences and forums in order to increase boy participation in the decision-making process of the Movement.

1969-13 Conference, Young Leaders

The Conference urges member countries to include in their delegations to World Conferences at least one young adult qualified by experience to participate. Member countries should also be encouraged to give every opportunity to duly qualified young leaders to express their views and to participate in the decision-making process in every level of the Scout associations.

TOKYO, JAPAN, AUGUST 12-17, 1971

1971-01 Registrations

Welcomes the recognition and registration accorded since the 22nd World Scout Conference to:

Effective 7th August 1970

- Boy Scouts of Bahrain

Effective 26th March 1971

- Federation nationale du scoutisme, Cameroon

Is pleased to accord recognition and registration to:

12th August 1971

- Fiji Scout Association
- Federation du scoutisme gabonais
- Lesotho Scouts Association
- Mauritius Scout Association

Records with pleasure the establishment of and transfer of international registration to:

20th October 1969

- Association des Scouts du Congo

1971-02 Cancellation

Cancels with deep regret the recognition and registration of the "Asociacion de Boy Scouts de Chile", effective 14th August 1971, in accordance with Article V (iv), of the Constitution of the Boy Scouts World Conference.

1971-03 Africa Scout Conference

The Conference welcomes the inauguration of the Africa Scout Conference and the election of the Regional Committee and believes that this body in cooperation with the World Bureau and its Africa office will prove a valuable means of stimulating Scouting throughout the Africa Region.

1971-04 European Region

The Conference notes with pleasure the formal establishment of the European Region and the establishment of the World Bureau regional office in Europe and welcomes the plans of the European Committee for the further promotion of Scouting throughout Europe.

1971-05 Development Plan, Registration Fees

The Conference endorses enthusiastically the 5-Year Development Plan submitted by the World Committee, calls on all member countries to play a full part in putting this plan into effect and, in order to ensure its implementation, accepts the recommendation of the World Committee that the rate of registration fees as from the 1st October 1971 shall be US\$0.05 per uniformed member, with a minimum fee per national organization of US\$100.- per annum.

1971-06 Regional Treasurers

The Conference agrees that regional treasurers be appointed by the treasurer of the World Committee after consultation with the Regional Committee and directs the Regional Committees be advised that regional treasurers so appointed will be ex-officio members of the Regional Committee and that, if necessary, regional constitutions and/or by-laws be amended accordingly.

1971-07 Professional Scout Service

The Conference notes with pleasure the positive experiences throughout the world, where adult volunteer Scouters are in partnership with and supported by competent, trained professional staff, Scouting has flourished and grown in numbers and quality.

Urges Scout associations without a professional Scouter staff to seriously consider the establishment of such support, in accordance with the principles and tenets of World Bureau Reference Paper entitled "The Professional Scout Service".

1971-08 Census

The Conference directs all national organizations to take census on the 31st December of each year and that the resulting figures be used by the World Bureau for calculation of annual membership fees. Where a national organization has traditionally used another date, special authorization to use this date for census and annual registration fee calculation may be given by the World Committee, on a case per case basis.

1971-09 Relationships with Girl Guide Movement

The Conference records its appreciation of the long and cordial relationships which exist between the Girl Guide and Boy Scout Movements reflecting the inspiration of their common Founder and their like aims; reaffirms and emphasizes both the necessity and the great value, especially in this period of rapid social change, of frequent and close consultation at all levels of the two Movements, on all matters of mutual interest and concern so as to serve most effectively the youth of the world.

1971-10 Chile

The Conference requests the World Committee to avail themselves of the service of the Inter-American Scout Committee, individually and collectively, to redouble their efforts to bring into being a Scout organization in Chile acceptable to the World Conference.

1971-11 Rural Scouting

The Conference resolves that more attention be given to rural Scouting through the dissemination of more information material and the holding of suitable seminars on the subject.

1971-12 Ecology

The Conference reminds all Scout organizations that our continuing concern for conservation is an extension of Scouting's out-of-doors activities and woodcraft training; calls for continued action for conservation of the whole environment because of its urgency and importance; encourages national Scout organizations to more intensive efforts and cooperation with other organizations working for the preservation of man's natural heritage.

1971-13 Training

Endorses the forward programme proposed by the World Training Sub-Committee in its Report and authorises the World Committee to ensure its implementation.

1971-14 Development

The Conference calls attention to the problem of the role of youth in development, in view of its current importance; reminds leaders in the developed countries to inculcate in the Scouts an awareness of the problem of development; reminds leaders in the developing countries to devise the means whereby the Scouts can actively participate in the process of development of their countries.

1971-15 World Conference, 1973

Accepts the invitation of Kenya to hold the 24th World Conference in Nairobi in 1973 and conveys its thanks to all the countries which invited the said Conference.

1971-16 World Jamboree and World Conference, 1975

Confirms the decision to hold the 14th World Jamboree and 25th World Scout Conference in Scandinavia, in 1975, and records its thanks to all the countries which offered to be hosts to these world events.

1971-17 Biennial Report 1969-1971

Accepts and approves the Biennial Report of the Boy Scouts World Committee and World Bureau covering the period from the 22nd World Conference.

NAIROBI, KENYA, JULY 16-21, 1973

1973-01 Constitution

In accordance with Article XVIII (**hand written XXIII**) of the present Constitution, the Conference has approved amendments thereto and resolves that these amendments be incorporated in the text of the Constitution and By-Laws with effect from the 22nd July, 1973. The Conference desires that the revised text be published in the official languages and circulated to Member Organizations as soon as possible after that date.

The Committee is authorized, where necessary, to edit and renumber clauses, and is instructed to ensure that the French text is correct and accurate before publication.

1973-02 Registrations

Is pleased to accord recognition and registration to

Effective 23rd Sept., 1972

- Federation du Scoutisme Ivorien
- Federation Voltaïque du Scoutisme

1973-03 Chile

The Conference notes with great pleasure the progress being made towards the re-organization and unification of Scouting in Chile - looks forward to the early return of Chile to membership of this Conference - and requests the World Committee to proceed with the necessary formalities.

1973-04 Spain

The Conference addresses to the Liaison Committee of the Scouts in Spain the expression of its faith in the development of Scouting in Spain, thanks to the work being done by the Associations concerned in a spirit of brotherly cooperation; and expresses the hope that it will be possible to welcome officially Spanish Scouting as a Member Organisation of the World Conference in the near future.

1973-05 Scout Forums

The Conference re-affirms Conference Resolution 1969-12 encouraging increased boy participation in the decision-making process of the Movement and notes with pleasure the increasing number of Scout Forums being held in member countries and regions.

The Conference endorses the following recommendations common to most youth forums and commends them to World Bureau and Member Organizations for action.

- a) The regular updating of the basic programme system to meet the interests and needs of young people and provide the opportunity for Scouts to take an active part in planning and decision making.
- b) The introduction of co-educational activities at the age of 15 or before.
- c) Increased emphasis on conservation in Scouting programmes, including active participation in ecological projects in the community.
- d) National Scout Forums to be an integral part of the programme for the older age level.

1973-06 Programme Seminars

That in order to establish regular evaluation and development of Scouting programmes, Regional Committees should arrange the holding of periodic programme seminars for national leaders concerned directly with the basic programme, its educational application and its relevance to the contemporary needs of young people and for national leaders concerned with specialized aspects such as community development, conservation, etc.

1973-07 Community Development Projects

Recommends that in implementing Conference Resolutions 1969-07 and 1971-14 through Community Development projects, a national Scout association should align itself with appropriate governmental and non-governmental organizations and where necessary take the initiative.

1973-08 Conservation

Re-affirming the intent of its Resolution 1971-12 on Ecology, the Conference welcomes the establishment of the World Conservation Committee; notes with pleasure the joint World Scouting/World Wildlife Fund "Declaration of Intent" to cooperate closely in matters of conservation; endorses the World Scouting/World Wildlife Fund Four Point Conservation Project and urges national associations to negotiate similar cooperation and joint activities at national level.

1973-09 Long Range Planning

The Conference notes with pleasure the progress and advancement achieved during the first two years of the 5-Year Plan approved in Tokyo and welcomes enthusiastically the draft programme for the remaining years and forecast for the 1975/1977 period, resources permitting.

The Conference encourages national Scout associations to adopt and use formal long range planning at all levels of their operations to ensure the most effective utilization of resources, human and financial.

1973-10 Fund-Raising

That this Conference request the World Finance Planning Committee to plan a series of regional or sub-regional fund-raising training seminars for the purpose of developing skilled fund-raisers, both voluntary and professional at national level and to promote the conduct of organized fund-raising campaigns for Scouting.

1973-11 Relationships with Girl Guide Movement

The Conference notes with pleasure the recent approval by the World Committees of the Girl Guide and Scout Movements of a revised joint statement of policy on relationships which supersedes document JAC4. (Supersedes 1967-13)

1973-12A Swiss Currency Base

That as from October 1st, 1973, the accounts of the World Bureau be kept in Swiss Francs and the registration fee, expressed in Swiss Francs, shall be, by interpretation of Resolution 1971-05, computed at the rate of exchange then prevailing, which was US\$0.05 equals SF. 0.20 per boy per year, and that the World Committee shall implement this resolution as directed by the Conference.

1973-12B "U" Fund

Whereas the existence of several funds managed by the World Bureau, as approved by Resolution 1969-06 of the World Conference, entails unnecessary clerical complications and expenses, the Conference resolves that the existing balance of the Handicapped Scout Fund (US\$ 2,867) and the B-P. Memorial Grants Fund (US\$ 337) be incorporated in the "U" Fund current account and kept, together with future grants for the same purposes, in its books in earmarked accounts to be spent in compliance with the wishes of the donors; that the existing balance of the "U" Fund be transferred to the capital account of the World Scout Foundation, with the provision that its income be spent for the same purposes as originally designated.

1973-12C Registration Fees

In order to comply with the sound accounting practices followed by the United Nations and other international institutions, the Conference resolves that any remittance received from a member country, which is in arrears for the payment of registration fees, shall, as received be applied against the earliest debt, irrespective of any intention that might be expressed by the member country.

1973-12D World Bureau Budget

The Conference endorses the World Committee's proposed basic budget for the World Bureau for the fiscal year 1973/1974 and urges the World Committee to review its priorities for the items listed under "Essential Development Services" to ensure that the benefit of additional funds becoming available will be felt mainly in the regions.

1973-13 International Training Centres

Noting the intention of the World Training Committee, to encourage the development of national training centres, suitable for the conduct of all types of training, the Conference agrees to the deletion of the term "International Training Centres" from Resolution 1969-09, paragraph 4.

1973-14 Annual Training Reports

The Conference concurs with the request of the World Training Committee that in future, the training section of the annual report to World Bureau required by Resolution 1955-14 be forwarded to Regional Training Committees who, in turn, will submit a consolidated Regional Training Report to World Bureau.

1973-15 Founder's Writings

- a) The Conference reaffirms the importance of the writings of the late Lord Baden-Powell as a source of inspiration and unity for the Movement;
- b) Requests that the World Bureau compile as soon as economically feasible, standard editions of the Founder's main writings, including his editorial contributions to various periodicals;
- c) Suggests to countries not having one of the Conference languages that they encourage the translation of the Founder's main works into their own languages.

1973-16 Biennial Report 1972-1973

Accepts and approves the Biennial Report of the Boy Scouts World Committee and World Bureau covering the period from the 23rd World Conference.

1973-17 World Conference 1977

The Conference accepts the invitation of Canada to hold the 26th World Conference in 1977 and also conveys its thanks to Brazil for their kind invitation.

1973-18 World Jamboree & Conference 1979

The Conference accepts the invitation of Iran to hold the 14th World Jamboree and 27th World Conference in 1979.

LUNDTOFTE, DENMARK, AUGUST 8-15, 1975

1975-01 Constitution

In accordance with Article XXIII of the Constitution, the Conference has approved that Article XIX, 2. (c) be substituted by the following:

"(c) A Regional Scout Office, directed by a Regional Executive. The Regional Office is also a branch of the World Bureau, in conformity with Article XVI, paragraph 21 of this Constitution. The Regional Executive is appointed by the World Bureau in agreement with the Regional Committee, is paid by the World Bureau and reports to the Secretary General to whom he is responsible, and to the Regional Committee."

1975-02 By-Laws

In accordance with By-Law V, the Conference has approved the addition of a new Section 1 (A) to By-Law I as follows:

"Section 1 (A): Agenda of Meetings

The World Committee shall invite Member Organizations to suggest or propose subjects for inclusion in the agenda of an ordinary meeting of the World Conference at least nine months in advance of the meeting.

Any subject proposed by five or more Member Organizations should be included in the agenda in the form proposed."

1975-03 Registrations

The Conference is pleased to accord recognition and registration with the World Bureau to

Effective 1 June 1974

- Bangladesh Boy Samity

Effective July 1974 Scouts

- Asociacion de Scouts de Chile

Effective 1 August 1974

- The Scout Association of The Bahamas

Effective 21 Dec. 1974

- Federation du Scoutisme Tchadien

Effective 22 June 1975

- Association des Scouts du Rwanda

1975-04 Purposes, Principles and Methods (Constitution, Chapter II)

The World Conference

Considering that the survey on the Purposes, Principles and Methods of the Scout Movement (Constitution, Chapter II) constitutes, on the part of the respondents, a general reaffirmation of the validity of the content of Chapter II, coupled with the desire to re-express this Chapter in better and more significant terms,

Convinced that, refined and clarified, the Purposes, Principles and Methods embodied in Chapter II would emerge strengthened and unchallenged,

Requests the World Committee to establish a Task Force, representative insofar as is possible of the principal societies and cultures found among membership of the World Organization, and to submit for consideration by the 26th World Conference proposals relating to Chapter II in the light of the positions revealed in the survey and all views submitted by Member Associations before January 1, 1976.

1975-05 Relationship between the World Organization and its regions

The Conference welcomes the announcement by the World Committee of the creation of a Task Force entrusted, *inter alia*, with the examination of the problems of the distribution of responsibilities and tasks of the World Organization in relation to its Regional Organizations.

Recommends the Task Force to study particularly the question of the relationships between the regional commissioner, the World Bureau and the Regional Committee, with a view to specifying the respective responsibilities concerning the management, the application of constitutional and other legal texts and the policy of the Movement both at world and regional level.

Desires that the Task Force presents in its general report to the next World Conference in 1977 the results of its investigations on this specific question including concrete proposals.

1975-06 Pre-Cub Programmes

The Conference

Notes with interest the introduction of, or experimentation in, programmes for the Pre-Cub age group by a number of Member Organizations.

Urges Member Organizations desiring to introduce such programmes to make a careful study of the needs of boys in the Pre-Cub age group and of the implications of such programmes on the overall structure of the Member Organization.

Encourages an exchange of ideas and information on the Pre-Cub age group through the World Bureau.

1975-07 Second World Scout Forum

The Conference

Acknowledges with pleasure the receipt of the Report of the Second World Scout Forum and takes note of the resolutions embodied therein.

Warmly congratulates the participants for their outstanding work and their positive contribution.

Requests the World Committee to study the Forum report, determine an appropriate course of action and advise Member Organizations of the action to be taken.

1975-08 Join-In-Jamboree

The Conference

Strongly commends the practice of the "Join-In-Jamboree" in connection with the holding of World Jamborees.

Confirms that the "Join-In-Jamboree" shall be a permanent feature for all future World Jamborees and

Urges all Member Organizations to organize their "Join-In-Jamboree" activities as effectively as possible in order to carry the Jamboree spirit and the sense of participation to all Scouts around the world.

1975-09 Long Range Planning

The Conference

Notes the progress achieved in some aspects of the five-year development plan since its approval by the Tokyo Conference.

Regrets that due to financial and other reasons the revisions introduced in Nairobi have not been fully implemented.

Requests the World Committee and the World Bureau to do their utmost to up-date the plan and to circulate it widely among national Scout organizations.

Instructs those bodies to maintain the concept of continuous five-year planning.

1975-10 Communications

The Conference

Realizing the need to further improving and strengthening communications at the world, regional and national levels,

Accepts the report of the Task Force on Internal Communications and

Urges Member Organizations to ensure the most effective two-way flow of ideas and information as the programme for 1976.

1975-11 International Air Transport Association (IATA)

The Conference

Recognizing that high transport costs constitute significant impediments to the development of international exchanges,

Wishing to promote the development of peace and understanding through international Scout exchanges

Calls on all Member Organizations to persuade their national International Air Transport Association (IATA) airlines to actively support the initiatives on lower, student-type air fare structures for Scouting to be taken at a forthcoming IATA conference by the Irish national airline; and

Requests the World Bureau to coordinate the efforts required to get this resolution successfully through IATA.

1975-12 World Moot Year

The Conference notes with pleasure the success of the World Moot Year 1973/1974 and approves the holding of a further Moot Year during 1977/1978 on a similar basis.

1975-13 Location of the International Headquarters of the World Bureau

The Conference acknowledges with thanks the generous offer of His Excellency the President of the Philippines and the Boy Scouts of the Philippines to relocate the international headquarters of the World Scout Bureau in Manila.

Requests the World Committee to consider the offer within the framework of the general question of the location of the World Bureau and to report on it to the next World Conference.

1975-14 Cooperation with Amateur Radio Service

The Conference requests all Member Organizations:

1. To urge their Governments to resist any attempt to reduce the number and size of frequencies presently allocated to the Amateur Radio Service and,
2. To cooperate with their National Amateur Radio Organizations in any actions designed to this end.

1975-15 Registration Fee

The Conference requests the World Committee to re-examine the basis and structure of the registration fee with a view to making it more realistic and equitable and to submit a report and recommendations to all Member Organizations before January 1st, 1977.

1975-16 Biennial Report 1973-1975

The Conference accepts and approves the Biennial Report of the World Scout Committee and Bureau covering the period since the 24th World Conference.

MONTREAL, CANADA, JULY 18-23, 1977

Note: Conference Resolutions 1977-01 to 1977-04 are Resolutions of "Thanks and Appreciation"

1977-05 Registration of Member Organizations

The Conference records with pleasure the registration as Member National Organizations of the World Scout Organization since its previous meeting:

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| - The Scout Association of Papua New Guinea effective | 29 th July 1977 |
| - The Scout Association of Hong Kong | 16th April 1977 |
| - The Scouts of Oman | 26th May 1977 |
| - The United Arab Emirates Scouts | 26th May 1977 |
| - Les Scouts du Togo | 16th July 1977 |

Note: Conference Resolutions 1977-06 to 1977-09 are Resolutions of "Thanks and Appreciation"

1977-10 World Conservation Badge

The Conference notes with pleasure that the World Conservation Badge is now in use in 32 member countries and resolves that all associations not now using the World Conservation Badge be encouraged to develop their own requirements and adopt the World Conservation Badge as part of their basic programme.

1977-11 Plan for World Scouting 1977/1981

The Conference accepts and endorses the current draft of the Plan for World Scouting 1977/1981 in principle as a guideline for the development of Scouting throughout the world, and requests the World Committee to develop the Plan further, in terms of objectives against which progress can be measured, including budgetary requirements to attain the objectives of the Plan.

1977-12 Join-in-Jamboree 1979

The Conference believes there is adequate time for all Member Organizations to prepare and promote "Join-In-Jamboree" activities during 1979 relating to the World Jamboree in Iran and urges all Member Organizations to utilize full programme and communication resources to enable as many of their members as possible, who are unable to go to the Jamboree, to share in it through "Join-In" activities any time in 1979.

1977-13 World Guide and Scout Consultative Committee

The Conference acknowledges the importance of the work that has been entrusted to the World Guide and Scout Consultative Committee and recommends to the World Committee to continue its work so that a closer cooperation between the two Organizations may facilitate the holding of joint international events for the members of both Movements.

1977-14 International Year of the Child

The Conference resolves that the World Organization of the Scout Movement play an important role in ensuring the success of the International Year of the Child 1979.

1977-15 Training of Trainers

The Conference resolves that the policies and procedures on training as accepted by Resolution 1969-09 sub-section 4 on August 27, 1969 are now modified, in regard to training of trainers, by the adoption of all the recommendations contained in Document No. 3 of this Conference, dated February 22, 1977 including the addition of the following last paragraph:

"In order to ensure that in the future unity of aims and purpose in Scouting, specially in the training of adult leaders, be maintained and strengthened, Regional Training Committees should hold training seminars regularly at regional or sub-regional levels, so that a continuous sharing of experiences, interchange of ideas and improvement of training techniques be maintained in the associations within a region".

1977-16 Registration Fees

The Conference resolves:

1. That a deeper study of the registration fee system be conducted by an expanded Task Force of the World Committee in conjunction with a review of the distribution of functions between the world and regional echelons and the financial structure of the World Organization and that a comprehensive plan be presented to the 1979 World Conference.
2. That for the next fiscal years (1977/1978, 1978/1979) the fee be set at SF 0.24 per uniformed member and the minimum fee at SF 300. - per national organization.
3. That as an interim measure during the next two fiscal years the following scale be applied, but only to countries paying their full fee before March 31, or in accordance with an agreed time schedule:

		PER CAPITA FEE
Category I	P.C.I. Over \$1,200	SF. 0.24
Category II	P.C.I. Under \$1,200 Over \$ 400	SF. 0.21
Category III	P.C. I. Under \$ 400	SF. 0.18

P.C.I. to be taken from statistics issued by the United Nations.

4. No fee payable for the number of uniformed members in excess of 3% of the total population of a country.
5. The Conference recommends for the consideration of the World Committee that a management study be conducted of the World Bureau's total operations, by employment of an impartial consulting firm within the means of the World Organization, utilizing currently available funds or special resources, which would provide essential material for the continuing study by the Task Force on registration fees and would also supply highly useful information for the guidance of the World Committee and the Secretary General in all financial matters.

1977-17 World Brotherhood Items

The Conference

Recognizes that distribution and use of world brotherhood items benefits the Movement by:

- Maintaining and building the identity of the Movement by having the World Scout emblem multiplied and visible in many forms,
- Providing certain literature and material for enriching and carrying out the Scout programme,

And urges all Member Associations to re-study the range of world brotherhood items available with the view to making more of them available directly to members.

1977-18 Structure of World Organization

The Conference proposes that the reports of the Stella Task Force and the World Bureau Relocation Task Force be taken a further stage, and in view of the close relationships between the two subjects, that a Task Force be now established with representatives from all Scout Regions, to undertake a thorough study of the structure, organization and philosophy of the operation of the World Organization of the Scout Movement to include the possible relocation of the World Bureau and to report on both matters at the World Scout Conference in 1979.

1977-19 Charter of Human Rights

The World Organization of the Scout Movement, holding consultative status with the United Nations Organization, reaffirms its support for the Charter of Human Rights of the United Nations.

1977-20 Constitution

In accordance with Article XXIII of the Constitution, the Conference has approved amendments thereto and resolves that these amendments be incorporated in the text of the Constitution with effect from July 22, 1977. The Conference desires that the revised text be published in the official languages and circulated to Member Organizations as soon as possible after that date.

The World Committee is authorized, where necessary, to edit and renumber clauses, and is entrusted to ensure that the French text is correct and accurate before publication.

BIRMINGHAM, UNITED KINGDOM, JULY 15-21, 1979

1979-01 Registration of New Member Organizations

The Conference records with pleasure the registration as Member National Organizations of the World Organization of the Scout Movement since its last meeting of:

Effective 16 March 1978

- Federacion de Escultismo en Espana

Effective 25 April 1978

- Association des Scouts du Burundi

Effective 15 July 1979

- The Scout Association of Grenada

1979-02 Cessation of Activities of Member Organizations

The Conference records with regret the cessation of activities of the former National Scout Organizations of Laos and Viet-Nam during 1975:

- Association of Boy Scouts of Laos
- Hoi Huong-Dao Viet Nam

And conveys its sincere appreciation to those Member Scout Organizations who have befriended many thousands of former members from these two countries who are refugees in their midst.

The Conference regrets to record the disbandment of the National Scout Organization in Afghanistan, August 1978, but resolves to retain their name on the roll of member countries until the next World Conference when their situation will be reviewed.

1979-03 Postponement of World Conference and Jamboree - Iran 1983

The Conference resolves that in recognition of current events arrangements made with Iranian Scouting to host the World Conference and World Jamboree in 1983 be postponed.

1979-04 Preparation of World Conference

The Conference, in order to assist all who are interested in or required to fully review and discuss papers, proposals or resolutions in advance of every World Conference, resolves that those who have responsibility for preparing such documents, shall organize their responsibilities to enable such material to be distributed so that it will be received by Member Scout Organizations not less than 4 months in advance of the opening date of such World Conference.

1979-05 New Registration Fee Formula

The Conference expresses its warmest appreciation for the enormous amount of time and effort expended by the Task Force on the registration fee formula and resolves that the World Committee form a new Task Force to continue the study leading to a new registration fee formula and that the World Committee will report on their findings at the next Conference.

1979-06 International Year of the Child

The Conference resolves to extend its warm felicitations and gratitude to UNICEF and its National Commissions for all they have accomplished in designating 1979 as International Year of the Child. While much has been accomplished in the first six months, the Conference urges all Member Scout Organizations to intensify their activities between now and the end of the year to ensure a truly dedicated and successful year in respect of our greatest resource, children of the world.

1979-07 "Children of the World"

The Conference resolves to recognize the valuable contribution made by the Organization "Children of the World" (Ninos del Mundo) in assisting in relieving the suffering of children and strongly recommends all Member Scout Organizations to observe Sunday September 9 as "Day of Fraternity" and participate in a worldwide chain of prayer for peace and greater understanding.

1979-08 Cooperation with WAGGGS

The Conference resolves to urge the World Committee that, in collaboration with the World Committee of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts, a policy be formulated to permit the participation of all members of all joint or merged member Scout associations in international events, whether planned as joint events by the two Organizations jointly or planned by one of the Organizations.

1979-09 75th Anniversary of Scouting 1982

The Conference resolves that in honour and recognition of the 75th Anniversary of the Scout Movement and the 125th Birthday of its Founder Lord Baden-Powell of Gilwell, 1982 be declared "The Year of Scouting", and be celebrated appropriately throughout the Movement.

The Conference requests the World Committee and World Bureau to encourage celebrations at world and regional levels, and appeals to all national Scout organizations to promote and generate maximum support for Scouting programmes in the 1980s.

1979-10 Issue of Scout Postage Stamps

The Conference resolves that all Member Associations urge their postal authorities to issue one or a series of national postage stamps devoted to Scouting and if possible to include a surcharge to be used for the benefit of Scouting on the occasion of the 75th Anniversary of the Scout Movement in 1982.

1979-11 Support for Efforts of World Scout Foundation

The Conference welcomes the exciting efforts of the World Scout Foundation to build up a large Capital (Endowment) Fund to ensure the stability and financial independence of the World Scout Movement for the long term. It expresses its gratitude to those governments, foundations and other organizations as well as individuals who have already made contributions or committed themselves to support this drive.

The Conference, stimulated by the example of some Member Scout Organizations who individually decided to support the World Scout Foundation in its endeavours, appeals to all national Scout organizations to actively participate in this task, as an important step towards building and enhancing World Brotherhood.

The Conference invites all national Scout organizations to devote one day - preferably Founder 's Day, the 22nd February as the actual anniversary day of the Movement - for one time only, to undertake to raise funds for the World Capital (Endowment) Fund in a method of their own choice.

The Conference is confident that in one single day all Member Scout Organizations can make a substantial contribution towards the goal of achieving financial stability and harmonious development for our future.

1979-12 Annual Registration Fees

The Conference accepts the new Registration Fee Scheme contained in Conference Document No. 3 and amended by the Select Committee meeting on July 19, 1979, and RESOLVES:

1. That it shall enter into force on 1st October, 1979.
2. That the standard per capita fee for each of the two years commencing 1st October, 1979 shall be SF 0.28 per uniformed member.

DAKAR, SENEGAL, AUGUST 10-14, 1981

1981-01 (a) Registration of Member Organizations

The Conference records with pleasure the registration as Member National Organizations of the World Organization of the Scout Movement since its last meeting of:

Effective 31 December 1980

- Yemen Scout Association

Effective 31 December 1980

- Boy Scouts Association of Zimbabwe

Effective 1 July 1981

- The Brunei State Scout Association

(b) Cancellation

The Conference records with regret the dissolution of the National Scout Organization of Afghanistan in August 1978: Da Afghanistan Zaranduy Tolanah.

1981-02 Registration Fees

The Conference accepts the recommendation of the World Committee that the present annual registration fee remain in force for the two fiscal years 1981/1982 and 1982/1983, that the rate of fee for these years remain at 28 Swiss centimes per uniformed member, and that the population data to which it applies be unchanged.

1981-03 Financial Commitments

The Conference views with deep concern the situation where so many Member Associations have not met their financial commitments to the World Organization. The Conference requests the World Committee to take urgent steps to resolve this situation with each country concerned appropriate to the circumstances.

1981-04 Year of the Scout

- a) The Conference notes with pleasure the work so far undertaken to plan for the Year of the Scout and compliments the World Committee Task Force and all others involved in the preparatory work. The Conference urges all member countries to establish their plans for the celebration before the end of 1981; to advise the World Bureau of their national programme and to do their best to participate in the world level celebration of the Anniversary.
- b) The 28th World Scout Conference expresses the wish that all events planned to take place within the framework of the 75th Anniversary of World Scouting should be organized in cooperation with WAGGGS whenever possible.

1981-05 Recognition by the World Organization of the Scout Movement

- a) In exercising its responsibility under Article VI of the Constitution of the World Organization, the World Committee shall additionally satisfy itself that the national Scout organization is in a politically independent country and that, by the quality of its leadership, the organization of its leader training, the size of its membership and its resources, it is self-sufficient and capable of providing adequate services to its members and assuming all duties and responsibilities of a Member Organization. These conditions will ordinarily require a membership of the order of 1,000 or more.
- b) A national Scout organization in a politically independent country which cannot fully meet these requirements, but would otherwise meet the requirements of Article V(3) may, upon application and at the discretion of the World Committee, be placed upon an Official List as evidence of its recognition by the World Organization of the Scout Movement, and so reported to the World Conference.
- c) Pursuant to paragraph (b) and before national Scout organizations are placed on the Official

List, the Conference requests the World Committee to set down, for its consideration at the 1983 World Scout Conference, the rights and obligations of organizations placed on the Official List.

- d) Nothing in this resolution shall affect the rights and privileges of those recognized as members of the World Scout Conference at the time this resolution is adopted.

1981-06 Young Foreigners Living in Other Countries

The Conference recommends to National Associations to do all they can to help young foreigners living in their countries to integrate into their Associations, taking care always to preserve and develop their cultural identity with the aim of a better mutual understanding and the recognition of such differences as having a positive value.

1981-07 Community Development

The Conference,

Considering the effective job done by the Community Development Service of the World Scout Bureau in the distribution of educational material in their field of competence, and the updating of this material to the needs of the various organizations, in the third world in particular, and in the world in general,

Considering that the various seminars which have been organized in the field of community development, training and programme, help to create a source of new life in the Scout Movement,

Wishes to encourage the WSB and its personnel responsible for this kind of work, to continue their work with determination,

Urges them to develop the practical implementation of programme and training in the field,

Encourages the Regional Offices to involve themselves in all such activities in order to ensure their constant improvement.

1981-08 Training

Having considered the results of the implementation of the World Training Policy introduced in Helsinki in 1969 and further developed in Montreal in 1977; the World Conference re-affirms that this policy, based upon the principle of maintaining unity through voluntary acceptance of common objectives, and ensuring appropriate adaptation to the needs of national Scout organizations, is the most suitable approach for supporting the developments of Adult Leader Training;

Urges all components of the World Organization - Regional and World Training Committees, World Bureau Services at regional and world level to continue to provide assistance to national organizations in their effort to fulfil their obligations as regards Adult Leader Training;

And underlines that particular attention should be given to the development of specialized training for Leaders of Adults, the production of suitable training material at national level and to the collection and use of information to improve the management of training.

1981-09 International Commissioners Handbook

The Conference requests the World Committee to revise and update the International Commissioners Handbook and issue a copy to all Member Associations by November 1982.

1981-10 Guide/Scout Relations

The Conference having discussed recent developments in Guide/Scout relations:

- a) Recognizes the fact that local conditions are such that associations practising coeducation take a variety of forms, and thus calls for all associations to respect the point of view of other associations on coeducational matters;
- b) Urges the World Committee and all its subsidiary bodies to take into account the different types of coeducation in Member Countries;
- c) Recommends to Member Associations that whenever invitations to events with international participation are issued, they should allow groups composed of girls and boys to participate on an equal footing whenever appropriate to the culture of the host country, and to state clearly in the invitation any limitations concerning the participation of groups composed of girls and boys.

1981-11 Mechanism for Guide/Scout Cooperation

Considering the current evolution in the situation of youth in various parts of the world,

Considering the variety of situations - single, joint or merged - in the various Member Associations of the two World Organizations,

Considering Scout/Guide cooperation as a matter of prime importance and priority for the harmonious development of Member Associations in a large number of countries,

Considering that the present mechanism for Guide/Scout cooperation, and particularly the functions assigned to the World Guide and Scout Consultative Committee, is no longer capable of such a harmonious development,

The Conference requests the World Scout Committee to take all possible actions to ensure that a mechanism be established, which is capable of providing a more effective, harmonious and practical cooperation adapted to the needs of the associations.

The Conference further requests the World Scout Committee to keep Member Associations informed of its work and to report on its progress at the next World Conference.

1981-12 World Scout Foundation

The Conference, having taken note with satisfaction of the results of the Resolution passed at the last World Conference in support of the World Scout Foundation and wishing to reinforce that Resolution, recommends that:

- Member National Organizations involve directly the Scout membership in the anniversary celebration, which, as demonstrated by the success achieved by some Associations can not only yield substantial financial proceeds but also enhance the public image of Scouting and the boys' awareness of the international brotherhood.
- Scout leadership in every nation approach their governments to request sharing of the proceeds of the issue of Scout anniversary stamps and of other projects involving governments.

1981-13 International Decade for Drinking Water and Sanitation 1981-1990

Water being the base of all development action, the World Scout Conference asks all national associations to support the efforts of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) for this important decade of action.

1981-14 International Youth Year

The Conference resolves that the World Organization of the Scout Movement will play an important role to ensure the success of the "International Youth Year", the theme of which is "Participation, Development, Peace".

The Conference encourages national Scout associations to both participate in the National Youth Committees that may be established for the occasion and to undertake special programmes within the context of the I.Y.Y., starting from 1982 onwards.

DEARBORN, U.S.A., JULY 18-22, 1983

1983-01 Registration of Member Organization

The Conference

Records with pleasure the admission of "l'Association Mauritanienne du Scoutisme" as a Member of the World Organization of the Scout Movement, effective 20 July, 1983.

1983-02 Cooperation with UNICEF

The Conference

Records its satisfaction that many Member Organizations are now working successfully with UNICEF and wishes to expand this work,

Requests the World Committee to seek cooperation with WAGGGS to prepare a joint plan of action and obtain the necessary materials from UNICEF for distribution to Member Organizations.

1983-03 Coeducation

The Conference,

Recognizing that a coeducational programme should assist boys and girls in their personal development, feels that it is important to recognize and endeavour to meet the individual needs of the boy and the girl,

Recommends that the World Scout Bureau survey and analyze the coeducational trend in Scouting on a worldwide basis and make this information available to all Scout Associations,

Requests WOSM to cooperate with WAGGGS to produce guidelines and provide resources on coeducational questions related to programme and training, and plan joint activities at regional and world level in order to provide more opportunities for cooperation,

Recommends that all national Scout organizations keep under review the potential advantages and disadvantages of extending the scope of coeducation within their particular societies, and take appropriate action in the best interest of all young people within those societies.

1983-04 Peace Education

The Conference requests the World Committee to include "Peace Education" as an item on the agenda of the 30th World Scout Conference in 1985, ensuring that it makes provision for the sharing of practical experiences and encourages discussion of possible future actions.

1983-05 World Scout Foundation

The Conference reinforces the appeal of the Scout constituency around the world to assist the World Scout Foundation in its endeavours, and calls upon all national Scout organizations to actively participate in the Foundation's work to build up a World Capital (Endowment) Fund for the long-term benefit of the Scout Movement.

1983-06 World Scout Committee Report

The Conference requests the World Scout Committee to ensure that their report and those of the Sub-Committees covering the period between two World Conferences are circulated to Member Organizations at least 30 days prior to the Conference.

1983-07 Facilities for World Scout Conferences

The Conference recommends that the facilities for World Scout Conferences should, as far as possible, fulfil the following requirements:

- a) Reasonable standard without being luxurious, such as a university campus
- b) Adequate international Conference facilities
- c) Availability of accommodation at modest prices for delegates.

(Re-affirmed 1985-11)

1983-08 Annual Registration Fee

The Conference directs that:

- a) The system of calculating registration fees, first adopted by the Conference in Birmingham, be continued;
- b) The rate for calculating the annual registration fee be increased from SF 0.28 to SF 0.32 per uniformed member for each of the two years commencing 1st October, 1983.

1983-09 Accredited National Scout Organizations

The Conference adopts the document on Accredited National Scout Organizations and directs the World Bureau to reproduce it as an appendix to the Constitution of the World Organization of the Scout Movement.

1983-10 Amendment to Constitution

In accordance with Article XXIII of the Constitution, the Conference has approved that Article XI, paragraph 1 and Article XII, paragraph 4, be amended as follows:

Article XI, 1 "There shall be a triennial meeting of the World Conference at such time and place as the Conference may decide."

Article XII, 4 "No elected member shall hold office for more than six years, one half retiring at each triennial Conference and six new members being elected by vote in their places. A retiring member shall only be eligible for re-election after a lapse of three years. This restriction shall not apply to a member who has been appointed or elected to fill a vacancy and he may be eligible for immediate re-election."

The Conference directs that the amendment to Article XI, 1 shall first take effect following the 31st World Scout Conference, and that the 32nd Conference is accordingly to take place in 1990.

The Conference further directs to the World Committee to establish suitable transitional arrangements to implement Article XII, 4 as amended, such implementation to begin not earlier than the elections at the 31st World Conference in 1987, and to be completed not later than with the elections at the 33rd Conference in 1993; and directs the World Scout Committee to inform the Conference of the precise arrangements at the 30th World Conference in 1985.

1983-11 International Youth Year

The Conference,

Recognizing that the World Organization of the Scout Movement holds consultative status with the United Nations Organizations,

Re-affirms its support of the International Youth Year 1985, and recommends that Scout Associations participate in the activities planned for this event.

1983-12 International Commissioners' Handbook

With reference to Conference Resolution 1981-09, the Conference,

Considering the World Committee's proposal to publish a dossier entitled "The World Organization of the Scout Movement" which would include a section specifically related to the International Commissioner,

Recognizing that such a dossier would serve a wider audience and be a better communication tool rather than a separate International Commissioners' Handbook,

Approves the World Committee's proposal to publish the dossier instead of an updated International Commissioners' Handbook and urges that this should be done as soon as possible.

1983-13 Scout Universal Fund

The Conference welcomes the spontaneous and generous response of the Canadian International Development Agency to the launch of the revitalized "U" Fund,

Accepts the challenge of raising matching funds from local Scout sources for the list of projects circulated by the "U" Fund and commends the "U" Fund to all Member Associations for their active attention.

MUNICH, GERMANY, JULY 15-19, 1985

1985-01 Registration of Member Organizations

The Conference records with pleasure the admission of the Scout Association of the Gambia as a member of the World Organization of the Scout Movement, effective 15 November, 1984.

1985-02 Registration Fee

The Conference

- Resolves that the system of calculating registration fees based upon dual objectives of equity and stability of income be continued,
- Resolves that the following adaptations be made to ensure that the system continues to achieve its objectives:
 - i. The base line, under which an association pays a fixed annual fee of SF 300, be raised from US\$ 125 to US\$ 250,
 - ii. That the basic fee rate for calculating the annual registration fee be increased:
 - From SF 0.32 to SF 0.34 per uniformed member for the fiscal year commencing 1 October 1985,
 - From SF 0.34 to SF 0.35 per uniformed member for the fiscal year commencing 1 October 1986,
 - From SF 0.35 to SF 0.36 per uniformed member for the fiscal year commencing 1 October 1987.

1985-03 International Year of Shelter for the Homeless

The Conference noting that 1987 will be the International Year of Shelter for the Homeless,

- Recommends that national Scout organizations
 - i. adapt existing programmes aimed at improving living conditions in human settlements, such as housing, potable water, health and hygiene;
 - ii. promote the Year in their programmes, conferences and publications.

1985-04 UNICEF

The Conference

- Welcomes the WAGGGS/WOSM cooperation with UNICEF to promote the "Child Survival and Development Revolution",
- Records its appreciation to UNICEF for supporting joint WAGGGS/WOSM projects related to Child Health Care,
- Recommends to national Scout organizations that they cooperate actively with UNICEF in their own countries, and seek to achieve the aims and objectives of the World Health Organization's programme "Health for All by the Year 2000".

1985-05 Peace and Human Understanding

The Conference recognizing that Scouting since its beginning has been a peace-creating force in the world and due to its worldwide character has a unique possibility to develop peace education into practical activities,

- Welcomes the publishing of the dossier on peace and human understanding and urges national Scout organizations to utilize this material in their respective countries and in cooperation with other countries,
- Recommends to the World Committee to provide opportunities for sharing of practical experiences on peace education at the next World Conference.

1985-06 World Wildlife Fund

The Conference recommends to national Scout organizations to develop a deeper commitment in their cooperation with the World Wildlife Fund in their respective countries.

1985-07 Reforestation

The Conference

- Recommends to national Scout organizations that they develop reforestation and soil conservation activities and projects in countries which are affected by drought,
- Encourages international cooperative initiatives to support concretely these efforts in the most affected countries.

1985-08 Voluntary Contribution

The Conference strongly urges member organizations to give serious consideration to making a voluntary contribution to the World Bureau in each of the fiscal years 1985/1986 and 1986/1987.

1985-09 World Scout Foundation

The Conference

- Notes with gratitude the outstanding contribution of the World Scout Foundation,
- Strongly recommends to each national Scout organization to regularly support the Foundation, in every way appropriate to its means and circumstances, so that the Scout community can be seen to be helping itself.

1985-10 Invitations to World Conferences and World Jamborees

The Conference

- requests the World Committee
 - i) to ensure that invitations from national Scout organizations to host World Conferences and World Jamborees be accompanied by a guarantee in writing received from their national government, not later than 4 months prior to the World Conference at which the invitation is to be considered, of free entry to the host country by all participants,
 - ii) To verify that the location, programme and plans of the host committee correspond to the requirements of world level events,
- Resolves that only invitations which meet these conditions may be brought before the Conference for consideration.

1985-11 Expense of World Conferences

The Conference

- Recognizing that member organizations must constantly strive to allocate limited resources to the direct and immediate benefit of their young members,
 - Being aware that the constantly increasing costs of transportation and living expenses make very difficult, if not impossible, the participation of member countries at World Conferences, and that the various economical and financial phenomena known by all make more and more difficult the above-mentioned participation,
 - Noting that Resolution No. 1983-07 at the 29th World Conference at Dearborn recommended that future Conferences should keep expenses at a reasonable level,
- Resolves:
- i) to reaffirm the above-mentioned resolution,
 - ii) that both the Organizing Committee of the 31st World Conference and the World Committee be urged to provide facilities that are accessible to delegates of less privileged countries (e.g. University campuses, youth hostels).

(Re-affirmed 1985-11)

1985-12 World Rover Moots

The Conference, on the occasion of International Youth Year 1985,

- Being aware of the important changes taking place in the world today,
 - Accepting its responsibility to contribute to the development of young adults in member organizations,
 - Recognizing the benefits to be derived from increasing the opportunities for young adults to gain greater awareness of their challenges and responsibilities through participation in international Scouting activities,
- Accepts the principle of holding World Rover Moots on a regular basis as an opportunity for Rovers and other young adult members of the Scout Movement to meet together with the objective of improving their international understanding as citizens of the world,
- Asks the World Committee to establish appropriate guidelines and request invitations from national Scout organizations so that the first such event will be held not later than 1990.

1985-13 World Guide and Scout Consultative Committee

The Conference

- Recognizes the positive achievements in the work of the World Guide and Scout Consultative Committee,
- Recommends that the World Committee continue its efforts to develop the relations and cooperation between WAGGGS and WOSM.

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA, 11-15 JANUARY 1988

1988-01 Registration of Member Organizations

The Conference

- records with pleasure the admission of the Scout Association of Belize as a member of the World Organization of the Scout Movement, effective as of 15 December 1987.

1988-02 Towards a Strategy for Scouting

The Conference

- commends the World Committee in producing the document "Towards a Strategy for Scouting" and strongly recommends that the respective levels within the World Organization work along the directions indicated in the document to enable the Movement to continue to grow and provide better services for the benefit of young people;
- urges all national Scout organizations to study the document carefully at meetings of their national committees and to consider the adoption of similar strategies appropriate to their own countries.

1988-03 Programme Development

The Conference

- recognizing the crucial importance of a relevant youth programme for the continued growth of Scouting throughout the world
- urges National Scout Organizations to strengthen their programme development function and to take advantage of available materials on programme development
- calls on the World Committee to establish guidelines for the programme development function in National Scout Organizations and to continue efforts to help them develop and improve their youth programmes, to reflect the needs and aspirations of young people today, the needs of society, and the fundamentals of Scouting.

1988-04 Scouting with the Handicapped

The Conference

- endorses the view that all leaders in the Movement have a responsibility to promote Scouting with the handicapped
- urges all National Scout Organizations to review their programmes to ensure that they meet the needs of all young people irrespective of ability
- strongly encourages all National Scout Organizations to ensure that there is a key person with influence within the programme team at national level specifically responsible for promoting Scouting with the handicapped
- urges National Scout Organizations to make available sufficient resources to promote effective Scouting with the handicapped.

1988-05 Development

The Conference

- records the considerable progress achieved in the development field by National Scout Organizations since Resolution 1971-14 was adopted
- welcomes the publication of the "Scouts in the Community" kit and "15 Development Education Games for Scouts" and strongly recommends to National Scout Organizations to use them as resources in integrating the development dimension as an essential part of their youth programmes
- encourages National Scout Organizations to play an even more active role in community involvement in its various forms (community service; community development; development education) ensuring that related activities are carried out using the Scout method, thus contributing to the overall development of the Scout and of the community.

1988-06 Environmental Education

The Conference

- recognizing the fundamental importance of environment and environmental education in Scouting
- recognizing the close relationship between environment conservation and development as emphasized in the World Conservation Strategy and the recent report of the UN World Commission on Environment and Development
- welcomes the initiative of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) to work in close collaboration with Scouting
- encourages the World Committee to establish closer relationships with UNEP
- strongly recommends to National Scout Organizations to further strengthen their activities addressing the environment and environmental education.

1988-07 Education for Peace and Human Understanding

The Conference

- recognizing that Scouting through its international character and tradition has unique opportunities to build understanding and friendship among young people
- encourages National Scout Organizations to review their youth programmes to ensure education for peace and human understanding is an integral part of them
- recommends to National Scout Organizations to focus particularly on activities related to education for peace and human understanding during a special "peace week" around Founder's Day in February 1989.

1988-08 Universal Declaration of Human Rights

The Conference

- taking into account that 1988 marks the 40th Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights by the United Nations
- reaffirms its Resolution 1977-19 in support of the Declaration.

1988-09 Registration Fee

The Conference

- resolves that the system of calculating the registration fee based on the dual objectives of equity and stability of income be continued;
- resolves that the basic fee rate used to calculate annual fees be increased as follows:
- from SF 0.36 to SF 0.39 per uniformed member for the fiscal year beginning October 1st, 1988;
- from SF 0.39 to SF 0.42 per uniformed member for the fiscal year beginning October 1st, 1989.

1988-10 World Scout Emblem

The Conference

- recognizing the importance of the world Scout emblem as a symbol of the unity of the world brotherhood of Scouting
- conscious of the need to raise funds for the development of Scouting worldwide
- requests the cooperation of all National Scout Organizations in ensuring adequate legal protection of the world Scout emblem
- encourages all members in all National Scout Organizations to wear, in addition to any national membership badge, the world Scout badge on their uniforms
- encourages National Scout Organizations to allocate a part of the income from the sales of the world Scout badge to the development of Scouting worldwide through the World Scout Foundation.

1988-11 World Scout Foundation

The Conference

- expresses its gratitude to the World Scout Foundation for its outstanding financial contribution to the World Organization
- reiterates its appeal to all National Scout Organizations to support the efforts of the Foundation in every way possible.

1988-12 Baden-Powell World Fellowship

The Conference

- congratulates the World Scout Foundation on its success with the Baden-Powell World Fellowship (the programme designed to generate and duly recognize support from individual donors)
- encourages all National Scout Organizations to assist the Foundation in the promotion of this programme and to ensure an appropriate representation of all member countries.

1988-13 Voluntary Contribution to Ensure Continuation of Community Development Programme

The Conference

- noting with concern that the World Organization's resources within high priority fields such as community development have been reduced and may have to be reduced even further in 1988,
- recognizing that there is an urgent need to bridge the finances of the World Organization in 1987/1988 before the increase in registration fee takes effect in 1988/1989 especially to ensure the continuation of the community development services of the World Bureau,
 - strongly urges national Scout organizations to seriously consider making a special voluntary contribution to the World Organization in 1988 according to ability, e.g. to voluntarily increase its membership fees in 1987/1988 to 0.39 SFr per uniformed member;
 - calls on all National Scout Organizations that are in arrears with their payment of registration fees, to make extraordinary efforts to find new ways to raise the necessary funds to bear their part of the financial burden of the World Organization;
 - calls on national Scout organizations in countries where currency or other regulations inhibit direct payment of membership fees to the World Organization, to seek cooperation with Scout Organizations in other countries to make special arrangements to ensure payment of fees.

1988-14 Finances of the World Organization

The Conference

- considering the necessity for the World Organization to have sufficient stable resources to carry out its various activities
- taking into account the difficulties faced by many National Scout Organizations in paying to the World Organization the registration fees which constitute WOSM essential financial resource
- strongly urges all National Scout Organizations to do their utmost to pay their registration fees within the stated deadlines to strengthen the World Organization's cash flow and financial reserves
- recommends to National Scout Organizations to support WOSM in its efforts to raise funds from sources other than registration fees to help stabilize its financial resources in years to come
- asks the World Committee to do its best to manage its budget so that a proposal to increase the registration fees may not be necessary at the 32nd World Scout Conference in Paris in 1990.

1988-15 Young Adults' Participation in Conferences

The Conference

- recognizing the value of youth participation in decision making
- draws attention to Resolution 1969-13 regarding the inclusion of young adults in delegations to World Conferences and strongly urges those National Scout Organizations which have not yet implemented this resolution to do so in preparing for all future Conferences
- recommends to the World Committee to consider ways of increasing the involvement of young delegates and observers in Conference presentations and deliberations.

1988-16 WAGGGS/WOSM Relationships

The Conference

- appreciates the work undertaken by the Consultative Committee between WAGGGS and WOSM
- recommends to the World Committee to explore further possibilities to continue the fruitful cooperation
- recognizes that certain joint activities between WAGGGS and WOSM would highlight the full strength of World Guiding and World Scouting and therefore requests the World Committee to consider the possibility of holding one of the future World Conferences of the two Organizations at the same time and in the same area.

1988-17 Bilateral Cooperation as an Expression of World Brotherhood

The Conference

- expresses its gratitude to those National Scout Organizations which, within the framework of bilateral cooperation, contribute towards the promotion of Scouting throughout the world and have enabled less privileged associations to be represented at the 16th World Jamboree and at the 31st World Scout Conference
- strongly recommends to National Scout Organizations to expand and amplify such initiatives, which contribute to making Jamborees - a unique opportunity for all Scouts of the world to meet - a tangible expression of world brotherhood.

1988-18 Child Health Programme (Help Children Grow)

The Conference

- expresses its great satisfaction at the success of the WOSM/WAGGGS/UNICEF Child Health Programme "help children grow"
- records its sincere appreciation to UNICEF for supporting this programme
- strongly recommends to National Scout Organizations to continue their work on the Child Health Programme in active cooperation with UNICEF in their own countries
- encourages the World Committee to seek opportunities in the future for the implementation of similar programmes in partnership with other agencies.

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1990-01 Registration of Member Organizations and Accredited National Scout Organizations

The Conference

- records with pleasure the admission of the following associations as members of the World Organization of the Scout Movement, effective as of 23 July 1990:
 - Association Nationale du Scoutisme Comorien
 - Czech and Slovak Association of Scouts and Guides
 - The Scout Association of Dominica
 - Association Nationale des Scouts de Guinee
 - Council of Hungarian Scouting
 - Maldives Boy Scouts Association
- records with pleasure that the World Scout Committee has decided, in accordance with the Constitution, to include in the official list of Scout Organizations, as Accredited National Scout Organizations, the following associations:

Effective 28 April 1990

- The Catholic Guides and Scouts Association of San Marino

Effective 22 July 1990

- Boy Scouts of Namibia
- St. Lucia Scout Association
- The Scout Association of St. Vincent and the Grenadines.

1990-02 Growth of the Movement

The Conference

- noting that membership of the World Organization of the Scout Movement has doubled during the last twenty years
- considering that today, in the countries where Scouting exists, an average of 2.65 young people per hundred of Scout age is a member of the Movement
- believing that, as a result of the 'Strategy for Scouting', the Movement should benefit a greater number of young people, particularly those most in need of the Movement's benefit
- considering that growth, in a volunteer Movement, is a sign of health and of quality
- recognizing that it is up to each National Scout Organization to establish the rate, objectives and rhythm of its growth, and that the growth of WOSM's membership is the total of each National Organization's growth
- mindful that WOSM will hold its first World Scout Conference of the Third Millennium in the year 2002
- invites each National Scout Organization to establish a plan for growth, including a membership figure for the year 2002
- requests the five Regions, prior to the World Conference in Bangkok in 1993, to record all the national objectives which have been established accordingly and, on the basis of these, to determine a regional membership objective and provide the support to National Organizations in achieving it
- requests the World Committee to report to the 33rd World Conference in Bangkok on the total growth objectives for WOSM in the year 2002 as a basis for the further development of the Strategy for Scouting
- decides to review progress towards achieving these objectives at each forthcoming Conference.

1990-03 Registration Fees

The Conference

- recognizing that annual registration fees continue to constitute 70% of the operational income of the World Organization of the Scout Movement and should therefore be adapted, at least partially, to match inflation
- noting that the notion of fee per capita is stated in the Constitution and By-Laws of WOSM under Article XXII, paragraph 1
- believing that membership expansion should not cause an exaggerated financial burden on Member Organizations
- resolves that the following adaptations be made to the present registration fee system to ensure that the system continues to achieve its objective:
 - (i) the base line of US\$250 [Per Capita Income of the country under which a Member Organization pays a flat fee of SF 300] be raised to US\$300
 - (ii) the basic fee rate be partially adopted to inflation and increased by SF 0.02 every year for the period prior to the next World Conference, thus becoming:
 - SF 0.44 for the fiscal year 1990-1991 (increase of 4.76% over 1989-1990)
 - SF 0.46 for the fiscal year 1991-1992 (increase of 4.55% over 1990-1991)
 - SF 0.48 for the fiscal year 1992-1993 (increase of 4.34% over 1991-1992)
- resolves that the membership figures as at 31st December 1986 serve as the basis for the calculation of the registration fee for fiscal year 1990-1991 and that the membership figures as at 31st December 1990 serve as the basis for the calculation of registration fees for fiscal year 1991-1992 and 1992-1993
- resolves that, irrespective of the membership of a Member Organization as at 31st December 1990, any increase in the annual fee expressed in Swiss francs payable for 1991-1992 will not exceed 5%, compared with the registration fee payable for 1990-1991, and that the above principle of limiting any annual increase to a maximum of 5% over the previous year be applied to subsequent years.

1990-04 World Programme Policy

The Conference

- recognizing that Youth Programme is the principal means of achieving the purpose of Scouting and is the key to attracting and retaining members
- mindful that the document "Towards a Strategy for Scouting" identified weakness in the area of Youth Programme as perhaps the single most important issue facing Scouting
- adopts the statement contained in Conference Document N° 6 as the World Programme Policy
- strongly urges National Scout Organizations to take the necessary steps to reflect this policy in their own policies and procedures and to dedicate adequate resources to the development and delivery of their Youth Programme
- requests the World Committee to take all necessary steps to continue to provide support to National Scout Associations in this field.

1990-05 Adults in Scouting

The Conference

- recognizing the need for an overall policy for adults supporting young people in the Scout Movement, and as an integral part of the Strategy for Scouting
- adopts the principles of *Adults in Scouting* stated in Conference Document N° 7 relating to the management of adult human resources
- requests National Scout Organizations to consider how the principles of *Adults in Scouting* could be reflected in policies and procedures at their own level
- invites the Regional Conferences to include the subject of *Adults in Scouting* on their agendas and to report regularly thereon to the World Committee
- requests the World Committee to take the necessary steps to enable the practical implementation of these principles at all levels and report back on progress at the next Conference
- invites National Scout Organizations to contribute to the task of the World Committee by volunteering to field-test specific elements of the principles of *Adults in Scouting*.

1990-06 International Solidarity (Chernobyl)

The Conference

- considering the favourable and enthusiastic response to the programme of solidarity with the children of Chernobyl made by Scout groups and associations and by local and national authorities
- considering the positive consequences of this experience for the children benefitting from it, for Scout solidarity and between nations, and also for the image of Scouting
- recommends to the World Committee, to Regional Committees and to National Scout Organizations that this type of action be promoted and strengthened in all Regions

1990-07 Revival of Scouting in Central and Eastern European Countries

The Conference

- recognizes as an historic event the revival of Scouting in Central and Eastern European countries
- calls on the World Scout Committee and National Scout Organizations to support in every appropriate way the revival of Scout Organizations in these countries
- requests that the practice of Scouting in these countries take place with due respect to cultural, spiritual and social pluralism.

1990-08 Participation in World Events

The Conference

- recognizing the rapid changes in the political structures of the world today, which open the possibility to many new national associations to become members of the WOSM in the near future
- directs the World Committee to study the participation in world events of such national associations from non-member countries in restricted numbers and with appropriate adult support and to develop provisional guidelines relating thereto
- authorizes the World Committee, in the meantime, on a case-by-case basis, to suspend the application of Resolution 1947-15 and Resolution 1949-18
- requests the World Committee to report back to the 33rd World Scout Conference with a view to either reaffirming the existing position or developing new policy guidelines.

1990-09 Strategy for Scouting

The Conference

- notes with pleasure the excellent progress made in the implementation of the WOSM priorities identified in the document "Towards a Strategy for Scouting"(Resolution 1988-02) as well as the identification of the new priority on the growth of Scouting (Resolution 1990-02)
- recommends that the World Committee pursue its implementation of the work on the "Strategy" and report thereon to the next World Conference
- recommends to the World Committee to continue to involve National Scout Organizations in the development of the "Strategy"
- urges National Scout Organizations to assist the World Committee in the implementation of the "Strategy" as well as to develop strategies at their own level.

1990-10 Scouting and Values Transmission

The Conference

- expresses its appreciation to the Chairman of the World Scout Committee and to the Secretary General for their reports and the particular emphases given therein to:
 - the importance of the spiritual dimension in the personal development of young people and in the youth programmes offered to them
 - the need for community development as an effective expression of Scout solidarity and awareness of the duties we have as Scouts towards others
 - the priority to be given to conservation of the environment in order to develop harmony between Man and Nature, in full application of the Scout Method
 - Scouting's global educational approach and the consequent need to coordinate the efforts at all levels in terms of organization, youth programme, adult leader training and particularly research, in order to reinforce the dynamism and growth of the Scout Movement
- thanks the World Scout Bureau for the work accomplished and for the increasingly close and clear connection established among National Scout Organizations
- encourages the World Committee and the Secretary General to continue along the same lines and to promote the pursuit of a deeper knowledge of the basic values of the Scout Method
- invites National Scout Organizations and the World Bureau to increase and develop the mutual exchange of information so as to achieve an effective communication concerning progress and an active awareness of the worldwide dimension of the Movement.

1990-11 Qualitative Improvement in Scouting

The Conference

- taking into account the common purpose of National Scout Organizations to offer to young people Scouting adapted to their interests and needs
- considering the importance of the relationship between the growth of the Scout Movement and the quality of the Scouting that each National Scout Organization offers
- recognizing the need for a philosophy and a methodology to support the improvement of quality
- requests the World Committee to present a proposal to the 33rd World Scout Conference to improve quality in Scouting
- suggests to the World Committee that this proposal should include:
 - guiding principles for a philosophy on quality
 - methodology for the implementation and evaluation of quality, taking into account the priorities identified in the document "Towards a Strategy for Scouting" giving special emphasis to the Youth Programme
- requests National Scout Organizations that already have a quality improvement process or system to share it with other organizations in their own Region.

1990-12 Youth Programme Principles in World Events

The Conference

- recognizing and appreciating the educational approach adopted by the World Committee in the document "Youth Programme: The World Programme Policy"
- requests the World Committee to ensure that these same principles are applied to the fullest extent possible when international youth events (World Jamborees, World Moots, etc.) are organized.

1990-13 Environment

The Conference

- noting that, within the Constitution of the World Organization, respect for the integrity of the natural world is part of the fundamental principles of the Scout Movement and programmes taking place in contact with nature are part of its educational method
- recognizing that the protection of nature and of the environment represents one of the greatest and most vital challenges of our times
- aware that the Scout Movement has historically played a pioneering role in environmental education and action
- conscious of the need to revitalize the role of Scouting and its visibility in that key sector
- urges National Scout Organizations to strengthen the ecological and environmental dimensions within their youth programmes, adult leader training and the totality of the operation of the organization
- requests the World Committee to assist National Scout Organizations with tools needed to achieve this objective.

1990-14 World Scout Environment Year

The Conference

- applauds the decision of the World Committee to declare World Scout Environment Year and urges National Scout Organizations to find new and creative ways to encourage their Scouts to participate in activities related to environmental education and action throughout the Year
- welcomes the publication of Help to Save the World and Scouting: Action for the Environment and expresses its appreciation to the World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF International) and the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) for their generous technical and financial support which enabled these important tools to be made available to Scout associations
- encourages further close cooperation between these organizations and the Scout Movement at world, regional and national level.

1990-15 International Day of Peace

The Conference

- noting that different kinds of Peace activities involving many Scouts and Guides took place during Peace Week 1989
- believing firmly in the aim of "Peace - one day, at least"
- recognizing that the 26 million Scouts and Guides constitute an important force in the world
- noting that the General Assembly of the United Nations, in November 1981, declared in Resolution 36/67 that the opening day of the regular session of the General Assembly each year will be officially dedicated and observed as the International Day of Peace and shall be devoted to commemorating and strengthening the ideas of peace both within and among all nations and peoples
- decides that, to promote peace education and to show our sincere dedication to peace, the World Organization will promote the United Nations' International Day of Peace on the third Tuesday of September each year
- encourages all National Scout Organizations to initiate and participate in activities related to Peace on that day under the theme "Peace - one day, at least".

1990-16 Convention on the Rights of the Child

The Conference

- considering that the respect and protection of the dignity of the child and his or her moral, social, legal and cultural rights represent a basic condition for a healthier and safer future of humanity
- recognizing the fundamental obligation of a youth movement to protect and promote the best interests of children and young people
- welcomes the adoption of the Convention on the Rights of the Child by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 20 November 1989
- expresses its support to the provisions of the Convention
- invites all National Scout Organizations to play an active role in encouraging their Government to ratify the Convention and in promoting its dissemination among adults and children
- encourages National Scout Organizations to find creative means to familiarize their leaders with the articles of the Convention and to use them in understanding the needs of children and young people.

1990-17 World Community Development Camp

The Conference

- accepts the invitation of Gerakan Pramuka to host a World Community Development Camp (World COMDECA) in Indonesia for the 16-25 age range, subject to receipt by 31 December 1990 of a guarantee in writing from the Government of Indonesia that members of all National Scout Organizations will be allowed entry to the host country
- requests the World Committee to discuss with Gerakan Pramuka possible dates in 1993, taking into account the capabilities of Gerakan Pramuka and the need to avoid conflict of dates with already planned events addressed to the same age range
- calls for invitations to this event to be extended to all WOSM member organizations and also to WAGGGS member organizations in the same manner as for World Jamborees
- welcomes the idea of organizing a "Summer University on Scouting and Development in conjunction with the World COMDECA and requests the World Committee to take practical steps to implement this idea in cooperation with Gerakan Pramuka.

1990-18 Partnership Between Scout Associations

The Conference

- considering the new global context of international relationships and the will expressed by 20 Scout and Guide associations from the North and the South who met at the Kigali Forum in January 1990 in order to develop harmonious relations between partners
- invites National Scout Organizations to examine the conclusions of the Forum, known as the "Kigali Charter", and to use this charter as a reference framework for their partnerships with other Scout and Guide associations
- recommends that the World Committee takes every possible opportunity to promote partnership, which is the key element of the charter.

1990-19 WAGGGS/WOSM Relationships

The Conference

- appreciating the efforts made by the WAGGGS/WOSM Consultative Committee to further improve the cooperation between the two World Organizations
- recognizing that there can be differences of opinion between Guide and Scout Associations as to organizational structures and membership target groups
- reaffirming that it is the duty and the privilege of each National Association to decide upon its own affairs within the framework of the Constitution of the World Organization of the Scout Movement
- recommends to the World Scout Committee to continue its dialogue with WAGGGS for the purpose of encouraging National Scout and Guide Associations to seek mutual understanding in the best possible ways of offering Scouting and Guiding to young people.

1990-20 WAGGGS/WOSM Relationships

The Conference

- stressing the common fundamental principles of WAGGGS and WOSM
- recognizing the good relationship between WAGGGS and WOSM in recent years despite the difficulties such a cooperation sometimes can bring about
- requests the World Committee of WOSM to continue the cooperation between both World Organizations in favour of the educational needs of all young women and young men in the world.

1990-21 Official Languages of WOSM

The Conference

- considering the importance of international communication between Scouts
- considering the very positive introduction of Spanish and Arabic as working languages in the 32nd World Scout Conference
- encourages the World Scout Committee to offer this facility at future World Conferences
- asks the World Committee to seek means to provide the possibility of working in Spanish and Arabic as additional languages during plenary sessions at future World Conferences.

1990-22 Facilities for World Scout Conferences

The Conference

- noting that previous World Conferences have recommended that arrangements be made to provide accommodation and facilities for delegates at costs which are acceptable to all National Scout Organizations
- recognizing the many benefits which derive from members of delegations at World Conferences meeting together informally
- directs the World Committee to liaise closely with potential Host Committees of future World Conferences to ensure that members of all delegations can be accommodated at acceptable cost and, if at all possible, in a single complex.

1990-23 Participation in World Events

The Conference

- notes with great satisfaction the large number of delegations present, thereby enabling all National Associations to express their views
- requests the World Committee to examine every possibility of organizing each world event in such a way as to facilitate the participation of all National Scout Associations.

1990-24 World Conference Working Methods

The Conference

- having adopted important new policies for Youth Programme and Adults in Scouting, which form the basis for extensive work in these fields in the coming years
- appreciates the World Scout Committee's effort to provide more opportunities for Conference participants to comment on the main subjects during plenary sessions
- recommends to the World Committee in its planning for future World Conferences to involve all participants even more actively during the Conference by using a greater variety of working methods, thus providing opportunities for National Scout Organizations to learn from each other and to improve the dialogue necessary to shape the future strategy of World Scouting.

1990-25 Cost of Publications

The Conference

- congratulates the World Scout Bureau on the ongoing production of useful literature in support of the achievement of the purpose of the Scout Movement
- calls for further effort to be devoted in order to reduce the cost of certain publications of the World Scout Bureau to support Youth Programme and Adult Leader Training and to make it possible for less affluent associations to purchase and benefit from them to a larger extent
- recommends to the World Bureau to carry out a market study to explore ways of reducing the cost of publications and of their distribution; and, while keeping adequate control over the content, design, quality, marketing and distribution priorities, to arrange the production of literature in those countries which offer adequate facilities and the lowest cost.

1990-26 Registration Fee Arrears

The Conference

- noting that many countries have fallen behind with their registration fee payments for many years
- considering that it would be a pity if their financial situation were to hinder their growth and future youth activities as called for in Resolution 1990-02
- encourages National Scout Organizations to demonstrate solidarity and brotherhood with those less fortunate Scout Organizations which owe registration fee arrears to the World Organization by assisting them to meet their constitutional financial obligations.

1990-27 World Scout Foundation

The Conference

- considering that the growth in quality and quantity of our Movement demands new financial means
- expresses its deep gratitude to the World Scout Foundation for continuing its substantial financial contribution to the World Organization of the Scout Movement
- extends appreciation for the Foundation's willingness to address both immediate and long-term needs of the World Organization by developing and launching a pro-active investment policy and major gifts effort
- reiterates its appeal to all National Scout Organizations to support the efforts of the World Scout Foundation as it endeavours to increase its ability to meet the financial needs of the World Organization.

1990-28 Baden-Powell World Fellowship

The Conference

- congratulates the World Scout Foundation on the growth of the Baden-Powell World Fellowship demonstrated by the recruitment of 270 new Fellows from around the world including 8 new countries since the last World Scout Conference
- honours all 782 Fellows from 65 countries and thanks them for their contributions to the permanent endowment fund of the World Scout Foundation
- recognizes that the Baden-Powell World Fellowship will be 10 years old on 22 February 1992 and encourages all National Scout Organizations to support the "Campaign 1000" to increase the Fellowship to 1,000 members by its 10th anniversary.

1990-29 World Scout Badge

The Conference

- considering that, since the adoption of Resolution 1988-10 encouraging National Scout Organizations to allocate a part of the income from the sale of the World Scout Badge to the development of Scouting worldwide, through the World Scout Foundation, the following has occurred:
 - over 8 million Scouts and leaders now have the opportunity to wear the World Scout Badge, signifying their membership in a worldwide organization

- over SF 100,000 has been contributed by 9 associations to the World Scout Foundation as a result of this effort, assisting the Foundation in maintaining its level of support for the World Organization
 - this plan has provided members of the World Movement, including Scouts, with an opportunity to financially support the World Organization
 - today, approximately one half of all Scouts and leaders in the world, representing 24 Scout Associations, are given the opportunity to wear the World Scout Badge and therefore make a contribution to the World Scout Foundation
- encourages all remaining National Scout Associations to implement Resolution 1988-10 and allocate a part of the income from the sale of the World Scout Badge to the development of Scouting worldwide, through the World Scout Foundation.

1990-30 World Scout Parliamentary Union

The Conference

- commends the creation of the World Scout Parliamentary Union
- requests the cooperation of National Scout Organizations in strengthening the World Scout Parliamentary Union to support the interests of the Movement worldwide.

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1993-01 Registration of Member Organizations

The Conference

- records with pleasure the admission of the following members of the World Organization of the Scout Movement:

Effective 15 January 1993

- The Scout Association of Kiribati

Effective 15 July 1993

- The Scout Association of St. Lucia

Effective 19 July 1993

- The Scout Association of Croatia
- The National Scout Organization of Romania

To become effective when its constitution has been ratified by its Assembly

- The Latvian Scout and Guide Central Organization

1993-02 Policy on Involvement of Young Members in Decision- Making

The Conference

- recognizing the fundamental importance, in terms of achieving the purpose of the Scout Movement, of involving young members in decision-making
- considering that Scouting is not only a Movement *for* young people but also a Movement *of* young people
- believing that Scouting is a Movement based on democratic principles
- recognizing the value to the individuals concerned and to the Movement as a whole of leadership opportunities for young members
- noting with pleasure the successes achieved by the 4th World Youth Forum in Australia (1990/91) and the 5th World Youth Forum in Switzerland (1992)
- welcoming the World Committee's decision to encourage participation of young delegates in the 33rd World Scout Conference by offering a reduced Conference fee
- encouraged by the results of youth participation in the efforts of the World Scout Environment Network
- adopts the *Policy on Involvement of Young Members in Decision-Making*
- recognizes this new policy as an important contribution towards further strengthening the implementation of the World Programme Policy adopted by the 32nd World Scout Conference in 1990
- strongly urges National Scout Organizations to implement the policy at all levels within their own associations
- requests the World Committee to consider all means by which the policy may be implemented within the World Organization at regional and world levels.

1993-03 Registration Fees

The Conference

- recognizing that the present fee system has become inequitable to a large number of Member Organizations, and that World Scouting needs stable and sufficient resources to carry out its Constitutional duties
- 2) requests the World Scout Committee to:
 - a) review the existing system and develop a more equitable one on the basis of the recommendations of the "Registration Fee Task force" which it has created for this purpose, the proposed new system should guarantee to produce the total amount of fees as is due today, increased at an annual rate to cover inflation

- b) propose a new system for adoption at the 5th World Scout Conference in Oslo, Norway, in 1996, to become operational for WOSM's 1996-1997 fiscal year
- 3) decides that:
- a) in order to match inflation, the basic fee rate of the present registration fee system be increased by SFr 0.02 each year until the 34th World Scout Conference, thus becoming:
 - SFr 0.50 for 1993-1994 fiscal year, i.e. an increase of 4.2% over 1992-1993
 - SFr 0.52 for 1994-1995 fiscal year, i.e. an increase of 4% over 1993-1994
 - SFr 0.54 for 1995-1996 fiscal year, i.e. an increase of 3.8% over 1994-1995
 - b) the GNP per capita base line of US\$300 (the base line under, which a Member Organization pays a flat fee of SFr 300) be increased to US\$350
- 4) requests all Member Organizations to continue to strive to pay the registration fees which are due under the present system until such time as a new system is adopted, hopefully in Oslo in 1996
- 5) encourages Member Organizations in wealthier countries to assist less privileged Member Organizations which presently find it impossible to pay all of their membership fees.

1993-04 Adults in Scouting

The Conference

- having recognized the need for an overall policy for adults at all levels and in all functions in Scouting
- having adopted the principles of "Adults in Scouting" as applying to all adult resources in the Scout Movement
- welcomes the work done by the World Scout Committee on the development of a policy in implementation of Resolution 1990-05
- adopts the *World Adult Resources Policy* statement as representing WOSM's policy on the acquisition, training and personal development, and management of adult resources within the Scout Movement
- resolves that the policies and procedures on Adult Leader Training as established by previous resolutions are now modified by the adoption of the provisions of the *World Adult Resources Policy*
- requests the World Committee to take the necessary steps to ensure the full implementation of the provisions of the *World Adult Resources Policy*
- invites National Scout Organizations to implement the provisions of the *World Adult Resources Policy*.

1993-05 Strategy for Scouting

The Conference

- noting with pleasure the excellent progress made in the implementation of the Strategy for Scouting and the five WOSM priorities
- expresses its great satisfaction that the Strategy for Scouting has become the general framework for the activities of WOSM at all levels and the driving force towards 2002
- requests the World Committee to pursue its implementation of the work on the Strategy at all levels of WOSM and report thereon CO the next World Conference
- urges National Scout Organizations to continue to assist the World Committee in the implementation of the Strategy as well as to pursue the development of strategies at their own level.

1993-06 Coeducation

The Conference

- considering the importance of equal opportunities for girls and boys, women and men
- encourages national Scout associations which offer their programmes to both boys and girls, young men and young women, to ensure that these programmes are designed specifically to reflect a truly coeducational process
- encourages these national Scout associations to also ensure that adult leader training opportunities reflect the association's coeducational purpose, process and programme
- asks the World Committee, through the World Programme Committee, to support national associations in the above.

1993-07 Young Adult Members

The Conference

- considering the adoption of the *Policy on Involvement of Young Members in Decision-Making* by this Conference
- recognizing the valuable contributions made by young adults to this Conference and the World Programme Committee
- welcoming the reduced fee facility that has assisted young adults' participation in this Conference
- requests the World Committee to continue the principle of a reduced Conference fee for young adults at future World Conferences
- requests the World Committee to continue to devise ways in which young adults can participate in policy formation and decision-making at world level.

1993-08 Adults in Scouting: Equal Opportunities

The Conference

- considering the adoption by this Conference of the World Adult Resources Policy
- considering that WOSM is an organization open to men and women, boys and girls
- considering the importance of equal opportunities for men and women
- requests the World Committee and those National Scout Organizations which have female members to ensure equal opportunities for both sexes as an important element in the implementation of the *World Adult Resources Policy*.

1993-09 Needs of Young People in Their Community

The Conference

- considering the adoption of the World Programme Policy by the 32nd World Scout Conference
- recognizing the adoption by the present Conference of the resolution on the participation of young members in decision-making as a useful step in the implementation of this policy
- wishing to continue with the implementation of the World Programme Policy at all levels of the Organization
- considering the rapid and continuous change in the world and in the realities with which young people are confronted
- considering the need to propose to boys and girls, young men and young women, a form of Scouting which remains faithful to the fundamental principles and which is constantly adapted to the needs and aspirations of young people and to the social and cultural realities of their community
- aware of the importance of offering young people the possibility to be truly involved in their community in order to better prepare them to meet the challenges of society
- encourages each National Scout Association to give a higher priority to the constant identification of the needs of young people in their community and the continuous adaptation of the Youth Programme to these realities, and to favour the participation of young people themselves in this fundamental task

- requests the World Committee and the World Bureau to give equally high priority to the development of procedures and tools which will be useful to National Scout Associations in carrying out this priority and to offer them real support in this area.

1993-10 Youth Forums

The Conference

- considering the adoption of the *Policy on Involvement of Young Members in Decision-Making* by this Conference
- believing that Youth Forums constitute one useful method to complement genuine participation by young people in decision-making at all levels
- recognizing that Youth Forums in Scouting provide a dual opportunity for young members to discuss issues of interest to them and to make recommendations on these; and to learn the skills necessary to enable them to take part in decision-making in the Movement
- believing that Youth Forums should be linked closely, as advisory bodies, to the formal decision-making processes of the Movement
- recommends that Youth Forums be held in conjunction with all statutory meetings such as national general assemblies, regional and world conferences; that these Youth Forums make recommendations to and advise the statutory meetings and other decision-making bodies; and that Youth Forum delegates also participate in these statutory meetings as delegates or observers
- recommends that delegates to Youth Forums should be selected by democratic means and receive necessary logistical and material support from their association
- resolves that future World Youth Forums should be held immediately prior to each future World Scout Conference and that delegates to these events should be between the ages of 18 and 26
- directs the World Committee to establish as soon as possible the necessary procedures and guidelines for future World Youth Forums
- recommends that World Youth Forums should be organized on the same basis as World Scout Conferences, with the World Committee ultimately responsible for agenda and procedures of the World Youth Forum and with a Host Committee responsible for facilities and support services
- encourages the World Committee and the Host Committee to delegate to young members the planning, organizing and running of such events
- directs the World Committee to devote the necessary human, financial and material resources, similar to those accorded to other world events such as World Conferences, to ensure the success of future World Youth Forums
- requests the five Regional Scout Committees to organize Regional Youth Forums prior to each future Regional Scout Conference, beginning with Regional Conferences in 1995, along the same lines as World Youth Forums
- encourages National Scout Associations to organize Youth Forums along similar lines in conjunction with statutory meetings (for example, general assemblies) at national and local levels.

1993-11 Scouting for Nature and Environment

The Conference

- cognizant of the increasing importance of environmental education and action to help create a sustainable world
- recognizing the essential relationship between environment and development for the improvement in quality of life
- reaffirms the fundamental role of nature and the environment in Scouting, as expressed in the Principles and Method in the Constitution of the World Organization of the Scout Movement
- accepts as a basic definition to guide the Movement in its work the statement "*Environmental Education in Scouting is the development, through the Scout method, of knowledge, skills and attitudes leading to action to improve and sustain the quality of all life on earth*"
- commends the World Committee on its efforts to strengthen this environmental dimension of Scouting, not only in terms of what Scouting can do for the environment but also in helping

to make Scouting a more credible, relevant and effective force in the education of young people including the spiritual dimension

- endorses the aim, principles, content and methods of the special three-year *Scouting for Nature and Environment* programme developed by the World Organization
- welcomes the initiative taken by young members in building the World Scout Environment Network, commends the Network's commitment to addressing the relationship between environment and development, and urges the Network to develop further productive ties among Scouts around the world
- welcomes the development of a network of Scout Centres of Excellence for Nature and Environment to strengthen the role of nature and environment in Scouting
- welcomes the tools produced by the World Organization to assist National Associations in developing education *through* nature and environment, learning *about* nature and environment, and action *for* nature and environment
- requests the World Committee and World Bureau, and National Scout Associations, to make every effort to find and devote the necessary human and material resources to pursue the implementation strategy for the *Scouting for Nature and Environment* programme
- urges National Scout Associations to participate fully in and build upon initiatives and activities organized under the *Scouting for Nature and Environment* programme, in particular through the integration of relevant activities and approaches into their youth programme.

1993-12 Action for the Environment

The Conference

- considering Scouting's concern for the environment as expressed in the debate on *Scouting for Nature and Environment*
- considering that action in this field is best promoted through example
- calls on National Scout Organizations, the World Committee and the World Bureau to examine their methods of operation and management to reduce their use of consumable materials, increase the use of recyclable materials and avoid using materials harmful to the environment.

1993-13 Intercultural Education

The Conference

- concerned by the development of disturbing phenomena, such as the upsurge of intolerance, nationalism, racism and social exclusion, in many parts of the world, which increasingly result in acts of violence and even armed conflict
- recalling that Scouting is an educational Movement open to all without distinction of origin, race or religion, and based on the principle of the promotion of local, national and international peace, understanding and cooperation
- reaffirms that Scouting has a crucial role to play in the fight against these disturbing phenomena through the education of its members in mutual understanding, tolerance and the search for justice between individuals and communities
- earnestly invites National Scout Associations to: review their youth programme in order to reinforce the dimension of intercultural education; make their association even more open to all individuals and all communities without exception, in the spirit of the right to equality with the respect of differences; and to direct the necessary adult resources and means towards these objectives
- requests National Scout Associations hosting any international or world event to strengthen the programme of these gatherings in the area of intercultural education
- asks the World Committee and the World Bureau to increase their support to National Scout Associations to help them to act in this direction.

1993-14 Solidarity and Partnership

The Conference

- recalling the numerous resolutions adopted by the 32nd World Scout Conference on the subject of solidarity and partnership
- welcoming the resolution on fees adopted by the present Conference as falling within the same spirit
- stresses, however, that solidarity and partnership are not only a matter of financial support but that they should be part of the educational mission of our Movement, as a contribution to the respect of the dignity of children and young people, women and men
- invites National Scout Associations to strengthen this dimension of education for solidarity and partnership within their youth programme
- invites National Scout Associations to translate solidarity and partnership into concrete action such as support to re-emerging associations, timely aid to areas which are victims of natural disasters or armed conflict, participation in long-term development programmes in cooperation with other organizations or agencies, the establishment of bilateral or multilateral partnerships with other Scout Associations or youth exchange programmes
- encourages particularly National Scout Associations to orientate their action towards multilateral partnership projects proposed or supported by the World Scout Bureau including its regional offices, thereby avoiding any dependency
- requests the World Committee to make better known the achievements already accomplished in this field and to promote this kind of action.

1993-15 AIDS Prevention

The Conference

- recognizing the dangers and fatal effects of AIDS
- noting that many of those infected are in the age range served by Scouting and that the pandemic has left no continent untouched
- commends the efforts undertaken by many National Scout Organizations around the world which are involved in national programmes against AIDS
- expresses its appreciation to our partner organizations for the close cooperation between the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, the World Health Organization's Global Programme on AIDS and the World Organization of the Scout Movement
- urges all National Scout Organizations to promote activities related to AIDS information and education, which can lead to changing attitudes and behaviour that are vital in fighting against the disease
- urges National Scout Organizations to seek community commitment not only in the care and support of people with HIV/AIDS, but also in preventing the spread of HIV infection
- appeals to National Scout Organizations to actively participate at national and local levels in World AIDS Day which is held on 1 December of each year.

1993-16 Substance Use and Abuse

The Conference

- taking into consideration that, according to the United Nations' World Health Organization (WHO), hundreds of thousands of lives are lost every year due to use and abuse of various substances such as tobacco, alcohol and other drugs
- noting that, today, all countries around the world are affected and people from all sectors of society should feel concerned
- deploring, in particular, that most of those who are affected are young people, and that members of Scout Associations are not excluded
- believing that Scouts with their leaders, acting as health educators and health workers in their communities, can do much to discourage the use and abuse of various substances and assist in changing attitudes

- welcomes the measures taken by some National Scout Organizations and notes with satisfaction the cooperation of WOSM with UNICEF and WHO in promoting healthy life styles; and appreciates the recognition offered by WHO for the efforts already undertaken by many Scout Organizations around the world in this field
- recommends to National Scout Organizations to develop dynamic action plans to educate against substance use and abuse
- invites National Scout Organizations to be actively involved in initiatives undertaken within their own countries.

1993-17 Child Labour

The Conference

- noting that the exploitation of child labour continues to be a problem of enormous dimensions throughout the world and that the number of children working increases year by year, exposing them to physical, intellectual and emotional damage
- considering the importance that the World Organization attaches to children's rights as described in the United Nations' Convention on the Rights of the Child
- mindful that the protection of children and young people is a central objective of the International Labour Organization (ILO), in particular through its International Programme on the Elimination of Child Labour (IPEC)
- recommends to National Scout Organizations to play an active role in raising awareness of the worldwide problem of the exploitation of child labour and to develop their own creative means to help improve the current situation
- encourages the World Committee to strengthen cooperation with ILO for the mutual benefit of both organizations
- recommends to National Scout Organizations in countries where ILO field representatives are based to contact them to investigate possibilities for joint approaches to this problem.

1993-18 Voluntary Contribution 1995 and 1996

The Conference

- welcoming the adoption by this Conference of the resolution on Registration Fee System believing that it is too long to wait until the next World Conference in 1996 before taking concrete action
- wishing to respond to the immediate needs described by the World Committee in Conference Document No. 6
- encourages all Member Organizations, in countries having a GNP per capita exceeding US\$5,000, to pay in each of the fiscal years 1994/95 and 1995/96 a minimum voluntary contribution of Sfr 0.02 per member to the World Organization, specifically to assist those countries which are unable to pay their registration fees.

1993-19 Participation in World Scouting Bodies

The Conference

- considering the need for high quality participation and balance of representation in meetings of committees of the World Organization
- recognizing the financial implications for National Scout Organizations and mindful of WOSM's financial situation
- requests the World Committee to examine and determine opportunities in which financial support for travel and related costs may be extended to those attending meetings of world committees.

1993-20 Invitations to Host World Events

The Conference

- recalling that the 32nd World Scout Conference adopted a resolution calling for Youth Programme principles to be reflected in international youth events such as World Jamborees and World Moots
- believing that such events should contribute to achieving Scouting's educational purpose
- noting with pleasure the success of the first Global Development Village held at the World Scout Jamboree in Korea
- recalling that the motto of the Rover section was traditionally "Service" and wishing to see this special dimension strengthened
- noting the continued importance of community involvement (community service, community development, development education and development cooperation) within the Movement
- welcoming the first World Community Development Camp to be held shortly in Indonesia
- recognizing the importance of such events reflecting a positive image of the Movement both externally and internally
- requests National Scout Organizations extending invitations to host future World Jamborees, World Moots and similar events to include, in their invitation, information concerning the educational objectives of the event and how the activities proposed will relate to these objectives
- encourages the host organization of future World Jamborees to strengthen even further the educational dimension of these events
- requests the World Committee to draw up a new statement of purpose for World Moots placing a particular emphasis on community involvement.

1993-21 Community Development Camps

The Conference

- considering that, at a Community Development Camp (COMDECA), young people develop their capacity to carry out a solidarity-oriented service activity in the community and to work by respecting the needs and the involvement of that community
- considering that participation in a COMDECA contributes to the development of the personality of the young people and of the community which welcomes them
- decides that the World COMDECA should be evaluated after the first camp in Indonesia, in order to examine the possibility of transforming it into a World Event
- recommends that National Scout Associations include community development activities in their yearly programme
- recommends that the five Regions, based on the evaluation of the first COMDECA, examine the possibility of organizing regional COMDECAs.

1993-22 50th Anniversary of the United Nations

The Conference

- noting that the United Nations will celebrate in October 1995 fifty years of dedicated service to the peoples of the world
- recognizing that the United Nations has provided leadership and support through its multiple activities and programmes, thus improving conditions of health, security, peace education, economic growth, community development and humanitarian relief
- extends its deep and warm-hearted congratulations
- values highly its close association with the United Nations in many of its fields of endeavour
- recommends that WOSM takes the necessary steps to strengthen its relationships with the United Nations.

1993-23 Annual Report to World Scout Bureau

The Conference

- reminds all National Scout Organizations that, as required by Article V of the Constitution of the World Organization of the Scout Movement and recalled in Resolution 1955-14, they are required to submit an annual report to the World Scout Bureau
- commends the World Bureau for its initiative in consolidating into one "annual report form" various requests for information previously sent separately to Member Associations and for its proposal that this form, accompanied by a copy of the published annual report of the association, should be the annual report required by the Constitution.

1993-24 World Conference Working Methods

The Conference

- recalling the requests made by previous Conferences to involve all participants more actively during the Conference by using a greater variety of working methods
- welcomes the new ways of work in this Conference such as those used in the sessions on *Youth Programme* and *Scouting for Nature and Environment* and suggests to the World Committee to continue these approaches
- requests the World Committee to create even more opportunities for Conference participants to be involved in a more active and imaginative way.

1993-25 World Committee

The Conference

- considering that Scouting is not only a movement *for* young people but also a movement *of* young people
- fully supporting the view of a movement where young people are encouraged to be part of the decision-making bodies
- noting the important commitment required of members of the World Committee
- believing that such persons should be perceived as representatives of a dynamic youth movement
- requests the World Committee to outline a job specification and suggested profile to assist National Scout Organizations in the nomination of candidates for the World Committee
- urges National Scout Organizations to consider presenting younger candidates for future World Scout Committee elections, using this job specification and profile.

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1996-01 Palestinian Scout Association

The Conference

- approves the World Committee's recommendation that the Palestinian Scout Association be granted conditional recognition, which is justified by the uniqueness of the case
- notes that this conditional recognition shall give the Palestinian Scout Association the principal privileges and attributes of membership, except the right to vote
- records that this situation shall prevail until the sovereignty of Palestine is internationally established, at which time the Palestinian Scout Association shall be considered for full membership status in accordance with the requirements of the Constitution of WOSM
- rules that this conditional recognition shall not create a precedent.

1996-02 Registration Fee System

The Conference

- considering that the present fee system adopted by the 27th World Scout Conference in 1979 has become inequitable in a large number of Member Organizations
- considering that the World Organization of the Scout Movement needs stable and sufficient resources, indexed to inflation, to carry out its constitutional duties in a sustainable manner
- adopts the registration fee system described in Conference Document No. 4 as WOSM's registration fee system as from fiscal year 1996-1997, starting 1st October 1996
- decides that the following shall apply for fiscal years 1996-1997, 1997-1998 and 1998-1999:
 - basic fee per member: S.F. 0.86
 - category A: GNP per capita up to US\$ 725
 - category B: GNP per capita from US\$ 726 to US\$ 2,895
 - category C: GNP per capita from US\$ 2,896 to US\$ 8,955
 - category D: GNP per capita from US\$ 8,956 to US\$ 39,850
 - minimum annual fee payable: S.F. 300.-
 - annual flat fee for a Member Organization in a country with a GNP per capita of less than US\$ 300: S.F. 300.-
 - annual flat fee for an Accredited National Scout Organization: S.F. 200.-
- adopts the transitional arrangement for Member Organizations belonging to categories A and B.

1996-03 Strategy for Scouting

The Conference

- noting with pleasure the excellent progress made in the implementation of the Strategy for Scouting since the 31st World Scout Conference in Melbourne in 1988
- reaffirms its great satisfaction that the Strategy for Scouting has become the general framework for the activities of WOSM at all levels and the driving force towards 2002
- welcomes the directions proposed by the World Committee for future work on the Strategy and in particular the need to concentrate on the mission of Scouting as a leitmotiv that permeates the entire Strategy to give it more substance and better focus
- commends the process that has enabled the Conference, in the Commissions on the mission-related subjects of "Scouting for what?" and "Scouting for whom?", to begin an in-depth consideration of the future directions of the Strategy

- requests the World Scout Committee, using the results of the two above mentioned Commissions and with the involvement of National Scout Organizations and Regions, to develop a mission statement based upon the Constitution of WOSM for adoption by the next World Scout Conference.

1996-04 World Youth Forum

The Conference

- welcomes the contributions by the 6th World Youth Forum, in particular the Forum's reflections on the themes "Scouting for what?" and "Scouting for whom?" and the Forum's recommendations
- invites the World Scout Committee and its educational committees to take into account the outcome of the Youth Forum in their future work
- recommends that each National Scout Association's leadership meets with their delegates to the 6th World Youth Forum to discuss the outcome of the Forum and its implications for the future work of the association
- recommends that National Scout Associations support their delegates to the 6th World Youth Forum in making the outcome of the Youth Forum known in their own association and in maintaining contact with participants from other associations
- encourages close contact and cooperation between delegates to Regional Youth Forums and the World Youth Forum
- reaffirms the importance of WOSM's policy on the involvement of young members in decision-making and recommends to all National Scout Organizations to send at least one delegate to future Regional and World Scout Youth Forums and to include at least one participant who is under the age of 26 in the organization's delegation to Regional Scout Conferences and the World Scout Conference.

1996-05 Females and Males in WOSM

The Conference

- reaffirming Resolutions 6 and 8 of the 33rd World Scout Conference in Bangkok 1993
- appreciating the fact that many WOSM Member Organizations include females within their membership
- considering the need for a targeted programme aimed at the development of females, of males and - in those National Scout Associations which offer their programmes to both boys and girls, young men and young women - also of females and males together
- taking note of the different needs and experiences of females and males in the context of leader training
- recalling that few female members are represented in major decision-making bodies in WOSM
- recommends that the World Scout Committee ensures that in all its activities, especially in the context of youth programme and leader training, it meets the different needs of females and males and recommends to all National Scout Associations which have females in their membership to do the same
- strongly recommends to National Scout Associations and world bodies to work for a more equitable representation of females and males at all levels.

1996-06 Scout and Guide National Organizations

The Conference

- noting with considerable concern the many difficulties facing Scout and Guide National Organizations (SAGNOs) which, on the basis of the Statement on Relationships between WAGGGS and WOSM, are only able to take full part in all aspects of WOSM in respect of part of their national membership

- re-affirming, as a matter of principle and in accordance with the Constitution of WOSM, the importance of removing barriers which complicate the structure of national associations, jeopardize their unity or detract from achieving their educational mission in respect of all the young people they represent, regardless of gender
- believing that good relationships between WOSM and WAGGGS are beneficial to young people
- urges the World Scout Committee to reconsider, with WAGGGS, the Statement on Relationships in order to facilitate the situation of SAGNOs and remove to the maximum extent possible the obstacles presently facing their operations, and to present proposals in this direction to the next World Scout Conference with a view to enabling the Conference to take further action.

1996-07 World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts

The Conference

- noting that the World Committee of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts is proposing to its World Conference in Halifax (WAGGGS Conference Document N° 5) the following recommendation:
 - "a) WAGGGS is an organization for girls and young women that accepts, because of the differences in each country there will be different approaches to the way of work which may include the admission of boys and men within the National Organization to achieve the stated aim of WAGGGS, to promote the advancement of girls and young women
 - b) That the adult male members of a National Organization who are not members of WOSM, be accepted as members of WAGGGS, making the promise and paying the quota."
- further noting the implications of some of the explanations provided in support of the recommendation
- requests the World Scout Committee to monitor these developments and assess the consequences for WOSM and its relationships with WAGGGS.

1996-08 Organizations of Scouts in Exile

The Conference

- noting the remarkable and encouraging rebirth of Scouting in former Communist countries and in particular those in Central and Eastern Europe and the C.I.S.
- expresses its heartfelt admiration and deep gratitude to all those who, over generations, kept the flame of Scouting burning despite the many dark years of political oppression in their countries, where the Movement had been banned, disbanded by force or annihilated and its members imprisoned or otherwise persecuted
- recognizes the unique role of those exile organizations, groups and individuals who, in the face of forced migration, break-up of families and hardships of resettlement in new lands, preserved and upheld the traditions of their original national movements
- records its gratitude to those exile organizations, groups and individuals who have played a role in assisting the rebirth of Scouting in their countries of origin, thereby fulfilling their original and ultimate aim to see Scouting restored again in these countries as Members of WOSM
- notes that, under the Constitution of WOSM, members of exile organizations and groups who are now citizens in their adopted country cannot be part of the National Scout Organization in their country of origin and can only be recognized through membership in the National Scout Organization in their country of residence, without relinquishing their cultural identity and friendly Scout links with their country of origin.
- encourages each National Scout Organization concerned to review its relationships with exile organizations and groups in its country with the aim of integrating their membership into the National Scout Organization and thus into the world family of Scouting and requests those National Scout Organizations of those countries from which the exile groups and organizations originated to support this process fully.

1996-09 Marrakech Charter

The Conference

- recalling the success of the International Symposium on "Scouting: Youth without Borders, Partnership and Solidarity" organized in Marrakech in November 1994
- adopts the text of the "Marrakech Charter" contained in Conference Document No. 8 as an expression of the determination of the World Scout Movement to strengthen partnership, both between National Scout Associations, and between these associations and other organizations concerned with the education of young people, to build a world "without borders".

1996-10 Inter-Religious Dialogue

The Conference

- considering the fundamental and universal importance of the spiritual and religious dimensions within the educational method of Scouting
- considering the Scout Movement as providing a privileged place and opportunity for knowledge, understanding and fellowship among Scouts of different religions which are present in the world
- welcoming the first meeting of representatives of the different religious families held in Geneva in March 1996
- recommends to the World Scout Committee and to the religious families to convene forums of representatives of the religions that are present in the Movement
- encourages the World Scout Bureau to promote the spiritual dimension and to improve mutual understanding between different religious faiths
- calls on the World Committee and National Scout Associations to make full use of the ecumenical and inter-religious potential of Scouting.

1996-11 Costs of World Events

The Conference

- referring to resolutions 1985-11, 1990-22, 1990-23 previously adopted by the Conference
- considering the difficulties faced in obtaining entry visas to northern countries by citizens of certain developing countries
- considering that the registration fees for World Conferences and other Scout events are extremely high for many developing countries
- considering that it is difficult for many less advanced countries to cover the costs of hotel accommodation
- requests that every country offering to host an international Scout event provide the following information at the moment they put forward their candidature:
 - 1) The approximate registration fee for the proposed event
 - 2) Efforts made to reduce transport costs
 - 3) The various types of accommodation available and their respective prices affordable for developing countries
- recommends that the host country send an invitation to each delegate and observer registered before the official deadline, in order to enable him or her to take all the necessary steps (such as obtaining a visa) to ensure effective participation in the event.

1996-12 Leprosy

The Conference

- considering that the goal of the World Health Organization (WHO) is to eliminate leprosy as a public health problem
- recognizing that the partnership has already been established between WOSM and AHM Leprosy Relief Organization Munich for the prevention and control of leprosy
- urges all National Scout Associations concerned to involve their members in working toward elimination of leprosy in coordination with WHO leprosy authorities and ministries of health.

1996-13 Peace

The Conference

- referring to resolution 1988-07 adopted in Melbourne concerning education for peace and understanding
- noting the proliferation of conflicts which devastate the world and destroy human lives as well as socio-economic and cultural infrastructure
- particularly welcoming initiatives by Scout Associations to help safeguard and re-establish peace, notably the seminar on the role of Scouting in socio-political crises organized by Scout Associations in the Great Lakes area (Burundi-Rwanda-Zaire)
- challenging xenophobia and racism, and noting that inter-cultural learning opportunities for young people challenge nationalistic stereotyping and provide education for peace and tolerance
- recommends that the World Scout Committee encourages Scout Associations to review their youth programmes in order to:
 - enable Scouts and their leaders to research and analyse the underlying causes of conflict
 - promote peace, tolerance and reconciliation between communities, especially among young people, thereby helping to establish solidarity
 - encourage co-operation and exchanges which transcend ethnic, religious and cultural differences
- recommends that the World Scout Bureau supports such initiatives by providing Scout Associations with educational input and by helping them to find financial and human resources.

1996-14 90th Anniversary of Scouting

The Conference

- noting that 1997 will be the 90th anniversary of the founding of Scouting
- aware that interest in commemorating this event has been expressed by some Scout organizations
- resolves to bring this 90th anniversary to the attention of all National Scout Organizations and asks them to consider celebrating the anniversary in appropriate ways.

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1999-01 Registration of Member Organizations

The Conference

- records with pleasure the admission of the following members of the World Organization of the Scout Movement:

Effective 18 April 1997

- the Armenian National Scout Movement, the National Scout Organization of Moldova, and the Scout Association of Tajikistan

Effective 25 July 1997

- The Scout Association of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, and Lithuanian Scouting

Effective 26 December 1997

- the Georgian Organization of the Scout Movement

Effective 30 December 1997

- Slovensky skauting

Effective 13 March 1998

- The Belarusian National Scout Association

Effective 13 June 1998

- the Scout Association of Angola

Effective 7 January 1999

- the Organization of Bulgarian Scouts

Effective 26 July 1999

- Besa Skaut Albania, the Bhutan Scout Association, The Council of Scout Associations of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Liga dos Escoteiros de Moçambique, and The Scout Association of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.

1999-02 Suspension and Termination of WOSM Membership

The Conference

- considering that:
 - it has become clear that the National Scout Organizations in Ethiopia and Iran, as originally recognized by WOSM, have ceased to exist,
 - requirements for membership and in particular adherence to the Constitution of the Organization and functioning as a democratic National Scout Movement have not been fulfilled by the Association Nationale des Scouts de Guinée for the last eight (8) years,
 - the requirement of regular payment of their registration fee is no longer fulfilled by four (4) National Scout Organizations,
- decides:
 - A* National Scout Organisations in Ethiopia and Iran:
 - to authorise the World Scout Committee to remove The Scout Association of Ethiopia and The Scout Association of the Islamic Republic of Iran from the list of Member Organizations of WOSM,
 - B* National Scout Organisation in Guinea:
 - to expel the Association Nationale des Scouts de Guinée from the World Organization,
 - C* Other National Scout Organizations:
 - to grant to the National Scout Organizations of the following countries - Central African Republic, Iraq, Liberia, Syria - an additional delay until the next meeting of the World Scout Committee scheduled to be held on 13 November 1999 to clear

their fee arrears,

- to mandate the World Scout Committee to continue dialogue with the Organizations concerned and mobilise all possible means to reach a suitable solution to the situation of the countries concerned by the date of its next meeting,
- that the Member Organizations concerned will be expelled from the World Organization of the Scout Movement if they have not cleared their situation by the next meeting of the World Scout Committee scheduled to take place on 13 November 1999.

1999-03 Mission Statement

The Conference

- commending the World Scout Committee's Strategy Task Force for the preparation of the discussion on the mission statement
- appreciating the participatory process that has been followed since the Oslo Conference in the work to develop a mission statement
- adopts the mission statement for Scouting proposed by the Select Committee, as amended
- urges the World Scout Committee, Regional Scout Committees and National Scout Organizations to disseminate the mission statement as widely as possible and do their utmost to facilitate the understanding and implementation of it
- invites the World Scout Committee to continue its work on the development of the various formulations of the mission statement and the conditions necessary for its achievement, taking into account the output of the discussions at this Conference, and to present a progress report to the next World Scout Conference.

1999-04 Policy on Girls and Boys, Women and Men within the Scout Movement

The Conference

- considering that it is now nearly a quarter of a century since the Constitution of the World Organization of the Scout Movement defined Scouting as "*... an educational movement for young people open to all without distinction...*"
- noting that, today, National Scout Associations whose membership is open to both genders is the most common type
- recalling related resolutions adopted at previous World Scout Conferences
- mindful of the wide variety of socio-cultural contexts in which National Scout Associations operate, as well as the varying membership situations of these associations, and recognising the sovereignty of each National Scout Association in deciding upon its membership
- adopts the Policy on girls and boys, women and men within the Scout Movement contained in Conference Document N° 9, as amended
- urges National Scout Associations to consider the policy as part of the work of supporting the implementation of Scouting's mission, and to implement the provisions of the policy
- requests the World Scout Committee and Regional Scout Committees to implement the policy at their own level and to produce tools and other support mechanisms to support its implementation throughout the World Organization.

1999-05 WOSM Fee System

The Conference

- adopts the registration fee system described in Annex 9 of Conference Document N° 4 as the WOSM Fee System as from fiscal year 1999-2000 starting 1 October 1999,
- decides that the following shall apply for fiscal year 1999-2000, 2000-2001 and 2001-2002:
 - basic fee per member: CHF 0.92,
 - category A: GNP per capita up to US\$ 785,
 - category B: GNP per capita from US\$ 786 to US\$ 3,125,
 - category C: GNP per capita from US\$ 3,126 to US\$ 9,655,
 - category D: GNP per capita from US\$ 9,656 to US\$ 45,440, minimum annual fee payable: CHF 300.-,
 - annual fiat fee for Member Organization in a country with a GNP per capita of less than US\$ 350: CHF 300.-,
 - annual fiat fee for an Accredited National Scout Organization: CHF 200.-
- notes the World Scout Committee will further analyse the format of the adjustment curve for countries belonging to category A and will come to the 2002 World Scout Conference with a proposal aiming at further alleviating the burden of fees for these Member Organizations,
- notes that the World Scout Committee is going to undertake an analysis of the level of total income it should have at its disposal to make it possible to implement the policy decisions of the World Scout Conference and to make it possible for the World Scout Bureau to continue to deliver quality services to an increasing number of National Scout Organizations.

1999-06 World Scout Foundation Fundraising Strategy

The Conference

- recognising the importance of the World Scout Foundation in securing the financial health of WOSM
- recognising that fundraising for the World Scout Foundation requires an active partnership between the Foundation and each National Scout Organization
- recognising that fundraising at national, regional and world levels needs to focus at different target groups in order to be effective
- expresses its full support to the fundraising strategy of the World Scout Foundation
- urges each National Scout Organization to work together with the World Scout Foundation to:
 - establish the most effective channels for individual and corporate donors from the country to the World Scout Foundation,
 - prepare for the formation of a national committee to support the World Scout Foundation so that such committees are established gradually in all relevant member countries in the years to come,
 - establish a World Scout Badge support programme to benefit the World Scout Foundation
- invites the World Scout Committee and the World Scout Foundation to report on the progress of implementing this resolution at the next World Scout Conference.

1999-07 Scout and Guide National Organizations (SAGNOs)

The Conference

- reaffirms that:
 - i) individual participation in the policy and decision-making processes at world or regional levels with WOSM through statutory organs, either as a member of or as a delegate to such a body, is restricted to members of WOSM. This restriction extends to any body established by the statutory organs and reporting either directly or indirectly to them at world or regional levels such as sub-committees or the Scout Youth Forums; this does not preclude the capacity of any of these bodies to invite non-Scouts for their expertise in the area of work concerned
 - ii) in all other cases, and subject to the agreement of its National Scout Organization and the participation of male members from the SAGNO concerned, female members of a SAGNO may:
 - participate on an equal footing with members of WOSM:
 - in all non-statutory events organised by WOSM, such as training courses and seminars
 - in statutory events organised by WOSM which are purely activity related, such as World Scout Jamborees and World Scout Moots, and are therefore of a different nature from those referred to in paragraph i) above
 - participate in all other WOSM events as observers, in accordance with the rules governing observer status for each event.

1999-08 World Scout Conferences

The Conference

- seeking ways to improve the relationship between Member Organizations and the World Scout Committee at World Scout Conferences
- recommends to the World Scout Committee to consider the possibility of allowing adequate time for bilateral meetings on pre-agreed agendas
- recommends to the World Scout Committee that, in each World Scout Conference, adequate time be set aside for presentations by Member Organizations who wish to do so, in which they can present either different themes important for the Scout Movement concerning their Organizations or the Scout Movement itself.

1999-09 Conference Working Methods

The Conference

- considering the different cultures, ways of expression and experiences of the participants to World Conferences
- believing that National Scout Organizations understand the importance of their participants being able to communicate in one of the two official languages, but that it is not always possible
- recognising the positive experience in the World Conference in Oslo, where participants were grouped in Spanish and Arabic language groups, as well as English and French
- recognising the positive experience of having received Conference documents in the regional working languages
- recommends to the World Scout Committee to consider, for future World Conferences, the possibility of issuing Conference documents in Spanish, Arabic and Russian
- recommends to the World Scout Committee that, when organising discussion groups, these should be formed for all the working languages of the Conference and suitably facilitated.

1999-10 7th World Scout Youth Forum

The Conference

- appreciating and admiring the work done by the young people at the 7th World Scout Youth Forum
- stating its firm belief in the importance of paying great attention to the opinions of the young people in our Movement
- urges the World Scout Committee in its further work to consider the recommendations made by the 7th World Scout Youth Forum.

1999-11 Future Role of World Scout Youth Forums

The Conference

- welcoming the steps that have been taken to move towards the position adopted in Conference Resolution 1993-02, but accepting that there are still steps to take
- believing that the World Scout Youth Forum is a transitional tool in the process of developing youth participation in partnership with adults within National Scout Organizations and national delegations to the World Scout Conference
- believing that the World Scout Youth Forum should respond to the challenges faced by young adults in engaging actively in decision-making within National Scout Organizations
- hoping that, in due course, the need for the World Scout Youth Forum will disappear due to the full and active participation of young adults in partnership at the World Scout Conference and at all levels of decision making
- recommends that the World Scout Committee carry out a major review, involving young adults and adults in partnership, of the role and format of the World Scout Youth Forum
- recommends that the results of this study be presented to the next World Scout Conference and taken into consideration in the planning of the next World Scout Youth Forum.

1999-12 World Scout Youth Forum

The Conference

- thanking the Organizing Committee and the World Scout Committee for organizing the 7th World Scout Youth Forum
- appreciating and respecting the way that young people work and the need for youth involvement in the World Scout Conference
- recommends to the World Scout Committee to continue working to incorporate young people in the World Scout Conference through the preparation done at the World Scout Youth Forum.

1999-13 Youth Participation

The Conference

- noting that the World Scout Youth Forum seeks the relationship between adult members and youth to be one of partnership and mutual respect
- recognising the work that has been done at the Youth Participation session of the 7th World Scout Youth Forum
- recognising that in most National Scout Organizations substantial progress has been made
- believing that there are still steps to take before World Scout Conference Resolution 1993-2 (adopting the Policy on involvement of young members in decision-making) is achieved
- recommends to the World Scout Committee
 - that, at the next World Scout Conference in 2002, a day is spent in workgroups critically discussing Youth Participation
 - that suggested topics for this discussion focus on, among others:

- a discussion between youth and adult members as to how each interacts in the decision-making process within their organizations today
- evaluation of Resolution 1993-02 after 9 years of progress
- that work be done before the next World Scout Conference to stimulate critical discussion within National Scout Organizations on the above.

1999-14 Feasibility Study

The Conference

- welcoming the decision taken by the World Scout Committee to undertake a study in order to investigate the future relationship with WAGGGS
- recommends to the World Scout Committee
 - to involve young people in the study to bring a result to the 36th World Scout Conference.

1999-15 Partnerships

The Conference

- recalling the adoption of the Marrakech Charter by the 34th World Scout Conference in 1996
- noting the need to move now to strengthen relations between National Scout Associations as set out in the Marrakech Charter
- noting especially the current situation of National Scout Associations in developing countries
- encourages each National Scout Association concerned to develop or renew its partnerships, both between National Scout Associations and between these associations and other organizations concerned with the education of young people
- recommends that the World Scout Committee review the implementation of the Marrakech Charter and report on that review to the next World Scout Conference
- recommends that National Scout Associations investigate what they can do, practically, to improve partnerships between National Scout Associations within the framework of the Marrakech Charter, with particular attention to partnerships with National Scout Associations in developing countries.

1999-16 Together Against AIDS

The Conference

- recalling Resolution 1993-15 on the prevention of AIDS adopted by the World Scout Conference in Bangkok
- congratulating the numerous National Scout Organizations which have taken initiatives since that time, and noting the interest shown in the educational material developed on this topic by the World Scout Bureau
- recognising the leading role that UNAIDS plays in the fight against AIDS
- welcoming the co-operation between WOSM and UNAIDS during the 19th World Scout Jamboree and the recent decision to involve Scouting in the World AIDS Campaign
- aware that the AIDS epidemic is far from being overcome, particularly in developing countries, and that it is having a dramatic impact on young people
- expresses its willingness to strengthen the commitment of Scouting in the struggle against AIDS, particularly by developing and implementing Scout educational programmes
- desires that these programmes, in accordance with Scouting's values, will help young people develop attitudes and behaviour reflecting:
 - responsibility towards themselves and others, which will contribute towards AIDS prevention
 - solidarity with people living with HIV/AIDS
- recommends to the World Scout Committee to encourage and support the efforts of National Scout Organizations to put this commitment into action, particularly:

- by establishing a framework of long-term co-operation with UNAIDS
 - by updating and further developing existing educational material
- and to ensure that all measures are taken to implement and promote this commitment in world and regional Scout events
- invites National Scout Organizations to multiply their initiatives in this field in partnership with UNAIDS and the United Nations Agencies supporting this programme.

1999-17 Landmines

The Conference

- considering that there are tens of millions of landmines spread throughout the world and, statistically, someone steps on a mine every twenty minutes
- noting that a large number of their victims are children and young people living in a country in peace time
- reminding its members that the problem is a humanitarian, not a political, one and that Scouting, as Baden-Powell said, is a movement for peace education
- welcoming the recently signed co-operation agreement between the World Organization of the Scout Movement and Handicap International, and the first product of that agreement, the landmines awareness kit including the awareness game developed by the Geneva branch of the Mouvement Scout de Suisse
- encourages National Scout Organizations to use the kit in their programmes and activities to increase awareness of the problem, and to cooperate with Handicap International at national level
- declares its solidarity with non-governmental organizations working within the International Campaign to Ban Landmines to achieve a total ban on the manufacture, export, storage, transport, trade and use of all types of anti- personnel mines.

1999-18 International Year for a Culture of Peace

The Conference

- noting that the General Assembly of the United Nations has proclaimed the year 2000 as the International Year for a Culture of Peace and entrusted UNESCO with the co-ordination of the Year
- noting that WOSM and UNESCO share the same vision of the contribution education makes to establishing lasting peace
- commending the co-operation established many years ago between WOSM and UNESCO
- recalling the many resolutions previously adopted by the World Scout Conference on the subject of education for peace
- welcoming the initiatives taken by many National Scout Organizations to contribute to the advent of a Culture of Peace through education
- invites National Scout Organizations to join in the programmes and activities organised under the aegis of UNESCO for the International Year of a Culture of Peace, and to take advantage of the Year to launch, at national level, new initiatives to promote the Culture of Peace, in particular by developing and implementing educational Scout programmes with this objective
- recommends to the World Scout Committee to encourage and support action by National Scout Organizations in this field by all appropriate means.

1999-19 Heritage

The Conference

- convinced alongside UNESCO of the importance of young people's commitment towards both preserving national heritage and the tangible and intangible cultural heritage of mankind and showing it off to its best advantage
- noting with satisfaction the concrete results achieved during the international youth work camps to preserve heritage organised on Gorée Island (Senegal) and in Luxor (Egypt)
- aware of the fact that such international work camps can mobilise young people for useful, concrete and visible activities which contribute towards mutual understanding, solidarity and peace
- recommends that the World Scout Committee strengthens cooperation with UNESCO in the field of cultural heritage
- recommends that National Scout Organizations develop creative ways of raising awareness of the importance of preserving local heritage, as well as the tangible and intangible heritage of mankind, and of integrating such actions into their association's youth programme.

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2002-01 Registration of Member Organizations

The Conference

- records with pleasure the admission of the following members of the World Organization of the Scout Movement:

Effective 20 August 2000

- Association of Scouts of Azerbaijan

Effective 1 October 2000

- All Russia National Scout Organization

Effective 15 July 2002

- Associação dos Escuteiros de Cabo Verde
- Ethiopia Scout Association
- records with pleasure the recognition by the World Scout Committee of the Seychelles Scout Association as an Accredited National Scout Organization effective 14 July 2002.

2002-02 Suspension and Termination of Membership

The Conference

- accepts that Besa Scouts Albania be given eighteen months, to 15 January 2004, to confirm in a democratic manner the representativity of its leadership, to settle other issues and to fulfil its obligations as a Member of WOSM, under the supervision of the European Scout Committee; decides that if, at the end of that period, such problems have not been settled to the satisfaction of the World Scout Committee, Besa Scouts Albania be expelled from the World Organization; agrees, in view of the favourable and promising report received from a recent visit of the European Scout Office to Albania, to authorise exceptionally the representative from Besa Scouts Albania to take part in the Conference as a guest
- accepts that the Belarusian National Scout Association be given eighteen months, to 15 January 2004, to hold a legitimate General Assembly, to have its accounts independently audited and to fulfil its obligations as a Member of WOSM; decides that if, at the end of that period, such problems have not been settled to the satisfaction of the World Scout Committee, the Belarusian National Scout Association be expelled from the World Organization.

2002-03 The Strategy for Scouting

The Conference

- recognizing the excellent progress made and the achievements since "Towards a Strategy for Scouting" was adopted by the World Scout Conference in Melbourne in 1988
- commending the World Scout Committee's Strategy Task Force for the preparation of the document "A Strategy for Scouting: the proposed concept" as a means to achieve the mission of Scouting
- appreciating the participatory process that has been followed since the Durban Conference in developing that document and noting the strong pre-Conference endorsement by NSOs of the vision statement, the strategic areas and the seven strategic priorities contained in that document
- emphasizing the importance for Scouting at all levels to adopt a Strategy which, building on the achievements since the Melbourne Conference in 1988, enables the Movement to accomplish its mission with renewed vigour as it approaches its 100th anniversary in 2007
- confirming that being a worldwide Movement in an increasingly globalized world gives Scouting and its members a global responsibility to try to make the world a better place
- further confirming that Scouting possesses the means to make a substantial contribution to bridging the manifold divides in the world today and to strengthen global solidarity both within the Movement and with non-Scouts
- adopts the "Strategy for Scouting" as stated in the document "A Strategy for Scouting: the proposed concept" and urges all levels of WOSM to implement the proposals contained therein

- agrees to put a special emphasis on the priorities Youth Involvement, Volunteers in Scouting and Scouting's Profile during the triennium leading up to the 37th World Scout Conference in Tunisia in 2005
- requests the World Scout Committee to report to the 37th World Scout Conference on the progress made in the implementation of the Strategy.

2002-04 Membership Fee System

The Conference

- adopts the registration fee system described in Annex 12 of Conference Document No. 3 as the WOSM Fee System from fiscal year 2002-2003 starting 1 October 2002
- decides that the following shall apply for fiscal year 2002-2003, 2003-2004 and 2004- 2005:
 - basic fee per member: CHF 1.11
 - category A: GNI per capita up to US\$ 755
 - category B: GNI per capita from US\$ 756 to US\$ 2,995
 - category C: GNI per capita from US\$ 2,996 to US\$ 9,265
 - category D: GNI per capita from US\$ 9,266 to US\$ 44,340
 - minimum annual fee payable: CHF 300
 - annual flat fee for Member Organization in a country with a GNI per capita of less than US\$ 350: CHF 300
 - annual flat fee for an Accredited National Scout Organization: CHF 200.

2002-05 Financial Matters

The Conference

- recognizing that crucial financial issues such as adoption of a new fee system may arise again in the future
- recognizing that financial management is of great concern to Member Organizations and may have considerable impact on their internal life and membership development
- urges the World Scout Committee to:
 - deliver all future crucial financial documents (such as fee system adjustments, etc.) well in advance for appropriate discussion and reaction in individual Member Organizations
 - include adequate and sufficient analytic explanations to facilitate NSOs' consideration of the material.

2002-06 Youth Involvement in Decision-Making

The Conference

- endorses the World Scout Committee's statement on Youth Involvement in Decision-Making contained in Conference Document N° 7, as amended
- urges each National Scout Association to ensure an equitable representation of young men and women under the age of thirty in national decision-making bodies and in the delegations to Regional and World Conferences, and invites each National Association to present its efforts and progress made relating to this issue in its annual report to the World Scout Bureau
- urges the World Scout Committee to give priority to young men and women over older persons in the nomination of members of technical committees and working groups at world level provided they offer the adequate competencies, and requests the Regions to apply the same principle
- calls upon each National Scout Association to act upon the commitments to strengthen youth participation made since 1993, by presenting young male and female candidates with the required profile and competence for election to the World Scout Committee
- urges the Regional Scout Conferences to strongly advocate this course of action

- decides that World Scout Youth Forums be considered as educational opportunities for youth members in the oldest age sections. Their purpose shall be to enable young people to: share their ideas and experiences on current issues affecting young people in different parts of the world; suggest ways of strengthening national youth policies and training young people for world citizenship; and contribute new ideas to the Movement on how to enrich educational programmes for young people over 16
- decides that World Scout Youth Forums should continue to be held immediately prior to World Scout Conferences, and allow more young members to be better prepared for the World Scout Conferences
- decides that World Scout Youth Forums be empowered to make such recommendations they feel appropriate to the World Scout Committee for that Committee's consideration
- urges NSOs to introduce and adopt policies that will allow the involvement of young people in local and national decision-making bodies and develop partnerships between adults and young people
- decides that the World Scout Committee performs an evaluation of the situation of youth involvement in decision-making, after each World Scout Conference.

2002-07 Keeping Scouts Safe from Harm

The Conference

- recognising that the United Nation's Convention on the Rights of the Child requests States to ensure that children are protected from all forms of physical or mental violence, injury or abuse, neglect or negligent treatment, maltreatment or exploitation, including sexual abuse
- noting that there is a growing awareness in society of the need to protect young people from all forms of abuse
- considering that Scouting is an educational Movement whose mission is to help young people develop their full potential in accordance with the Scout Method, which involves the effective functioning of the peer group under appropriate adult guidance
- emphasising that the achievement of Scouting's mission makes it essential for the Movement to provide young people with a 'safe passage' which respects their integrity and their right to develop in a non-constraining environment
- further emphasising that providing this 'safe passage' is possible only if young people are protected from all forms of abuse, i.e. verbal, physical, sexual and emotional, neglect and peer pressures
- welcoming the fact that a number of NSOs have developed effective policies and procedures aimed at ensuring the 'safe passage' for their young people in Scouting
- urges NSOs to adopt and implement policies and procedures to ensure the safe passage of young people throughout their time in the Movement
- recommends that in developing such policies associations should ensure that legal requirements within a country, and the standards set out within the Convention on the Rights of the Child, are met
- further recommends that NSOs ensure that such policies are duly reflected in the totality of the association's activities, in particular:
 - at the level of the youth programme - that it instils self-confidence and self-esteem in young people and develops the ability to protect and express themselves
 - at the level of adult leadership - that recruitment policies ensure that only appropriate adults are recruited and that all adults, irrespective of their role, receive training and support in this area
 - at the level of management of the association - that policies and procedures for intervention, including risk management, incident management and public relations are put into place
- recommends to the World Scout Committee that tools and documents are developed to support National Scout Organizations with this implementation
- urges the World Scout Regions to strongly advocate and support this course of action.

2002-08 Reports

The Conference

- recognising the importance of transparency of the work of the World Scout bodies
- welcoming the practice of circulating summary reports to National Scout Organizations after each meeting of the World Scout Committee during recent years
- considering that reports of implementation of resolutions taken by World Scouting bodies is not part of the reports given by the World Scout Committee
- appreciating the document "Volunteers Serving World Scouting"
- appreciating the time allocated to discuss the reports of the Chairman, Secretary General and Treasurer
- urges the World Scout Committee to ensure the practice of circulating summary reports of meetings is continued
- requests that a document reporting on the implementation of resolutions taken by a World Scout Conference be circulated prior to the following World Scout Conference
- urges the World Scout Committee to prepare a similar list of appointments of volunteers serving World Scouting within half a year after each World Scout Conference
- requests the World Scout Committee to include in the agenda of future World Conferences the discussion of reports of the World Scout Committee.

2002-09 World Scout Committee Candidates' Presentation

The Conference

- considers the situation of presentation of candidates to the World Scout Conference as unsatisfactory for candidates and delegates and inappropriate to get an overall impression of the candidates
- reaffirms that the World Scout Committee, as executive body of WOSM, must be comprised of highly qualified persons who can contribute to the development of World Scouting in an efficient, remarkable and convincing manner
- urges the World Scout Committee to give candidates for election to the Committee the opportunity to introduce themselves during the plenary session, allocating enough time and space that the Conference can take into consideration the high quality of the candidates and urges candidates to present their motivations, priorities and objectives for their future work in the World Scout Committee and ways to achieve these.

2002-10 Reimbursement of Expenses

The Conference

- recognising that participation in decision-making bodies should be based upon competence
- noting that under the present system only persons who have the personal financial resources or persons who have financial support from their association can afford to become members of the World Scout Committee
- recalling that Circular N° 32/2001 contained a note that members of the World Scout Committee are entitled to request reimbursement of their expenses to attend the annual World Committee meeting at which the budget is approved, thus highlighting the issue and making the need for an open and clear policy even more necessary
- believing that a policy of reimbursing the expenses of the members of the World Scout Committee to attend meetings of the World Committee and sub-committees will widen the spectrum of people and range of countries represented in the World Committee
- hoping that a policy on reimbursing the expenses of members of the World Scout Committee to attend World Committee and sub-committee meetings will encourage National Scout Organizations to particularly nominate young people for election to the World Committee, as these are the people who are much more in need of financial support compared to older adults
- recommends that WOSM reimburse the expenses of members of the World Scout Committee to attend World Committee and sub-committee meetings.

2002-11 Cost of World Scout Conferences

The Conference

- recalling Resolutions 1985-11, 1990-22, 1990-23 and 1996-11 adopted by previous World Scout Conferences
- recognising the progress made in respect of controlling costs since the World Scout Conference in Munich in 1985
- convinced that the participation of each National Scout Organization in the World Scout Conference is indispensable
- persuaded that financial considerations must in no case be an obstacle to the effective participation of any National Scout Organization in the World Scout Conference
- reaffirms its attachment to the principle of solidarity
- requests the World Scout Committee to establish a list of obligations for the Host Committee of future World Scout Conferences including clauses outlining satisfactory and accessible conditions for all participants.

2002-12 Scholarships

The Conference

- encourages the World Scout Committee to promote and obtain from other sources (Associations, NGOs, Rotary Clubs, Foundations, United Nations, Regional Intergovernmental Organizations, etc.) a number of scholarships for the participation of young people who come from countries of low resources, in order to enable them to attend both the World Scout Youth Forum prior to a World Scout Conference, and the Conference itself, in both cases as delegates or observers.

2002-13 WOSM/WAGGGS Relationships

The Conference

- noting that the 31st WAGGGS World Conference in Manila in June 2002 has adopted a resolution on the WAGGGS Long Term Vision which recommends to continue to dialogue with WOSM within the Consultative Committee to explore aspects of an "allied future" that, inter alia, preserves the mission, identity and unique character of WAGGGS and respects the independence of each of its Member Organizations
- respecting fully WAGGGS' position
- recommends to the World Scout Committee to continue its dialogue with WAGGGS within the Consultative Committee
- further recommends to the World Scout Committee to ensure that this dialogue be clearly focused on exploring ways of strengthening relations between WOSM and WAGGGS and that it be fully compatible with the objectives and priorities of the Strategy for Scouting
- requests the World Scout Committee to present to the World Scout Conference in 2005 a report on WOSM/WAGGGS relationships including any concrete proposals.

2002-14 Towards Scouting's Centenary: 2002-2007

The Conference

- acknowledging that the World Scout Committee, meeting at Gilwell Park in the United Kingdom in April 1997, declared that Scouting's 100th anniversary should be celebrated throughout 2007 and announced this information to all countries on 1 August 1997, noting that "starting now, the 100th anniversary is to provide a platform for the development of Scouting"
- recognizing that 1 August 2007 is the 100th anniversary of the founding of Scouting, a century after Baden-Powell opened an experimental camp on Brownsea Island for boys from a wide range of social backgrounds in the United Kingdom
- noting that the 2007 Task Force for the Centenary of Scouting, composed of ex-officio members representing the World Scout Committee, the World Scout Foundation, the World Scout Bureau, and The Scout Association of the United Kingdom, was constituted in 1997 and continues to work towards the development of a Centenary programme

- having received World Scout Conference Document N° 11 "Toward Scouting's Centenary: 2002 to 2007"
- recognizes that it is essential to plan ahead to use the opportunities of the Centenary, and that such planning can provide significant benefits to all NSOs for developing their programmes and public profiles
- notes the concept and programme framework outlined in Conference Document N° 11, as well as the Centenary theme, "2007: One World, One Promise", and the badges presented in that document
- acknowledges the extreme importance to our Movement of using the years between now and 2007 to strengthen Scouting to enable it to make an increased contribution to addressing the needs of young people in today's societies
- urges National Scout Organizations to adopt and implement plans following the concept and programme framework presented in Conference Document N° 11, within the context of the Strategy for Scouting adopted by the Conference
- urges the World Scout Regions to help NSOs define objectives and targets in this planning and implementation process
- recommends to the World Scout Committee that additional tools be developed to support NSOs in this area of their work
- strongly encourages all NSOs to announce, at the World Scout Conference in 2005, the actions their members will undertake to "help make a better world" in the time leading up to the Centenary and as outlined at the 36th World Scout Conference in Document N° 11.

2002-15 Marrakech Charter

The Conference

- referring to the adoption of the Marrakech Charter by the 34th World Scout Conference in 1996
- noting the conclusions and recommendations of the evaluation on the use of the Marrakech Charter presented to this Conference
- expresses its willingness to continue to develop reciprocal and equitable partnerships, which are the only means of promoting real international solidarity in our Movement
- invites the World Scout Committee to implement the recommendations arising from the evaluation, especially
 - produce at world level a kit on partnership, based on the Charter and proposing tools and practical initiatives, to be presented to the next Regional Scout Conferences
 - invite Regional Offices to disseminate the kit and promote through example the spirit of the Marrakech Charter
- requests the World Scout Committee to present a report on the promotion and use of the kit at the next World Scout Conference.

2002-16 Fair Trade and Child Protection

The Conference

- considering that the development of peace is achieved through the development of justice and equity
- considering that the causes of the most shocking injustice in the world include inequality in commercial relations and child labour
- considering that WOSM and its National Scout Associations, through SCORE International and Scout Shops, have a role to play in international trade
- recommends to the World Scout Committee and World Scout Bureau to develop guidelines for National Scout Organizations and to make SCORE a standard bearer with a purchasing policy resolutely engaged in the promotion of fair trade and in refusing child labour
- recommends to National Scout Organizations to do everything possible to ensure that the commercial practices of their Scout Shops are also engaged in this sense.

2002-17 Mass Media

The Conference

- taking into account the impact that mass media has in creating images and the increasing importance that international and global mass media play in modern society
- considering the urgent need and the increasing importance of improving Scouting's image worldwide, as the largest voluntary youth organization in the world, providing non-formal education through the Scout Method
- recommends that action should be taken, at world level, to pursue a continuous and sustained effort in promoting Scouting through international and global mass media network.

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2005-01 Registration of Member Organizations

The Conference

- records with pleasure the admission of the following members of the World Organization of the Scout Movement

Effective 28 June 2004

- The Russian Association of Scouts/Navigators (RAS/N)

Effective 12 October 2004

- Scouts of Namibia

Effective 5 September 2005

- Beslidhja Skaut Albania
- The National Scout Association of Guinea
- The Scout Association of Malawi

2005-02 Ukraine

The Conference

- welcomes the results of the mission to Ukraine in June 2005 and the agreement reached on that occasion between representatives of SPOK and PLAST
- notes that SPOK is unable to withdraw formally its application for WOSM membership until its national congress scheduled for May 2006
- expects that, in accordance with the agreement reached, a decision will have been made by May 2006 by SPOK and PLAST on the model to be adopted to create a unified national Scout organization in Ukraine
- looks forward to receiving a new application for WOSM membership from the unified national Scout organization, at the latest by early 2008 as agreed, so as to be able to welcome the new Member Organization at the next World Scout Conference
- asks the World Scout Committee and the World Scout Bureau to provide as much support as possible to the implementation of the agreement and to follow carefully its progress.

2005-03 Recognition process for new Member Organizations

The Conference

- urges the World Scout Committee to design and implement a more transparent process for the handling of applications for WOSM membership from potential Member Organizations, keeping all National Scout Organizations informed throughout the process, and specifying the various steps to be followed to fulfil the requirements of Articles V and VI of the WOSM Constitution
- urges the World Scout Committee, when considering the transfer of membership of a National Scout Organization to another entity, to submit the proposal to a postal vote of Member Organizations, and to encourage the new Member Organization to integrate into its membership the groups which had been part of the previously recognised National Scout Organization and to establish relationships with other WOSM Member Organizations.

2005-04 Registration Fee System

The Conference

- adopts the registration fee system described in Annex 9 of Conference Document N° 10 as the WOSM Fee System from fiscal year 2005-2006 starting 1 October 2005,
- decides that the following shall apply for fiscal years 2005-2006, 2006-2007 and 2007-2008:
 - basic fee per member: CHF 1.147
 - category A: GNI per capita up to US\$ 765,
 - category B: GNI per capita from US\$ 766 to US\$ 3,035,
 - category C: GNI per capita from US\$ 3,036 to US\$ 9,385,
 - category D: GNI per capita from US\$ 9,386 to US\$ 45,740,
 - minimum annual fee payable: CHF 300,
 - annual flat fee for Member Organizations in a country with a GNI per capita of less than US\$ 350: CHF 300,
 - annual flat fee for an Accredited National Scout Organization: CHF 200
- requests the World Scout Committee to include the review of the WOSM Registration Fee System in the list of topics to be dealt with by the Governance Review Task Force.

2005-05 Elections to the World Scout Committee

The Conference

- considering the experience of implementing Resolution 2002-09 at this Conference
- recommends that elections to the World Scout Committee take place not before the third day of the Conference in order to give delegations enough time to have discussion with candidates during informal meetings.

2005-06 Regional Scout Conferences

The Conference

- acknowledging, as outlined in Conference Document N° 7 on the Governance of WOSM, that holding Regional Scout Conferences in the year following a World Scout Conference would strengthen the integral strategic direction of the Movement by facilitating the development of regional plans within global priorities
- decides that all Regional Conferences in the triennium following the World Scout Conference in 2008 shall take place within 18 months
- asks the WAGGGS/WOSM Consultative Committee to consider how this resolution may be implemented in a co-operative manner.

2005-07 Governance Review

The Conference

- mindful of the importance of the strategic priority on "An Organization for the 21st Century" and the need for WOSM and National Scout Organizations to be more flexible, lean, innovative and participatory
- noting Conference Document N° 7 on the Governance of WOSM
- welcomes the proposal to conduct a comprehensive review of the governance of WOSM during the coming triennium
- commends Conference Document N° 7 together with the report of the Evaluation Group as working documents, and the issues identified therein as a framework, for the conduct of that review
- requests the World Scout Committee to establish, with appropriate Terms of Reference, a "Governance review task force" to conduct, in full transparency, the review and give intermediate reports to the World Scout Committee and National Scout Organizations
- recommends that the Governance review task force comprise members appointed in a personal capacity, some with knowledge and experience of WOSM and others with a fresh

external perspective or experience

- requests that the Governance review task force will consult National Scout Organizations, WAGGGS and, according to need, be empowered to set up sub-groups and/or draw on specialist expertise
- requests the World Scout Committee to bring to the next World Scout Conference any proposed amendments to the WOSM Constitution arising from the report of the Governance review task force
- encourages the World Scout Committee and the Secretary General to move ahead with timely implementation of actions that are consistent with the spirit and vision of the review and which fall within their respective competencies and do not require constitutional amendments or other decisions of the World Scout Conference.

2005-08 The Strategy for Scouting

The Conference

- valuing the work undertaken to provide National Scout Organizations with information on the Strategy for Scouting and make it available on CD-ROM and strategy web-pages on the WOSM web-site
- valuing the work undertaken by the World Scout Committee and the World Scout Bureau Central and Regional Offices to provide tools to support National Scout Organizations in the development and implementation of their strategies
- commending the Regional Conferences for adapting and aligning their strategies and regional plans with the Strategy for Scouting
- applauding the progress made and achievements in National Scout Organizations since the adoption of the Strategy for Scouting at the World Scout Conference in Thessaloniki
- recognizing the need to develop a medium-term plan for the Strategy over the next six years
- recognizing the unique opportunity that the Centenary celebrations offer to help National Scout Organizations move forward in their strategies and strategic planning
- urges National Scout Organizations to use the Centenary celebrations as a tool to develop and implement their strategies
- encourages National Scout Organizations to consider how their strategies support the growth of the Movement and increase their impact in society
- urges National Scout Organizations to strengthen their communications, linked to a common corporate identity, to improve the image of Scouting so that Scouting is seen as a modern, dynamic Movement, which has a real impact in the community, as it begins its second century
- adopts the process, outlined in Conference Document 6B: The Strategy for Scouting – Setting Targets and Measuring Impact, to measure progress in the Strategy for Scouting through setting targets and measuring the impact in society
- requests the World Scout Committee to report to the 38th World Scout Conference on the achievement of the targets in National Scout Organizations and Scouting's impact in society.

2005-09 Communication Strategy

The Conference

- approves the World Scout Committee's proposal concerning the Communication Strategy as laid out in Conference Document N° 13
- recognizes the need to harmonize the Scout Movement's image at world level through a brand platform that corresponds to the criteria presented in Document N° 13 and in the report on Scouting's Profile
- calls upon National Scout Organizations to make a particular effort in terms of image in view of the Movement's Centenary celebrations
- with full respect for the diversity of national circumstances, invites National Scout Organizations to actively seek harmonization in order to provide a more homogeneous perception of the mission, work and image of the Scout Movement through global media, and others in public and private arenas who could support the Movement's work

- invites the World Scout Bureau to assist National Scout Organizations in this process of creating greater harmony and homogeneity through the creation of appropriate training and communication tools
- requests the World Scout Committee to find the necessary resources to implement the action plan proposed in Document N° 13 and its Annexes 1 and 2.

2005-10 Educational Methods Structures

The Conference

- recognizing that it is not possible to develop the youth programme without looking at the consequences for the management of adult resources (e.g. recruiting, supporting, training and monitoring adult leaders) and also that it is not possible to manage adult resources independently of the youth programme
- noting that there is still a tendency in the Movement among leaders in charge of youth programme and leaders in charge of adult resources to operate independently
- recommends, at world level, complementing the work streams on strategic priorities by creating a sub-committee on educational methods, which will bring to the World Scout Committee more human resources; this sub-committee should comprise youth advisers and experts in the fields of non-formal education, management and adult learning; its functions would be to advise the World Scout Committee and provide guidance on research and development in the fields of youth programme, and adult resources, and it would validate the educational materials produced by the WSB as well as the educational programme of World Scout events
- recommends that similar structures are created at regional level in coordination with the sub-committee established at world level
- urges National Scout Organizations to review or design a structure that allows an integrated approach to youth programme and adult resources, for example by creating a committee or a body that oversees and co-ordinates the work of the youth programme and adult resources departments.

2005-11 World Scout Youth Forum

The Conference

- referring to Resolution 2002-06 on youth participation in decision-making adopted by the 36th World Scout Conference in Thessaloniki in 2002
- noting with satisfaction the progress achieved in the implementation of Strategic Priority 1 on Youth Involvement, notably through the publication of new educational tools in the field of youth programme, the success of the World Scout Youth Forum including the election of Youth Advisers to the World Scout Committee, and the creation of positions of young Project Officers in the World Scout Bureau
- pointing out that the Youth Advisers and the World Scout Youth Forum are not the final solutions to meet Strategic Priority 1 on Youth Involvement but are considered as a transitional tool in order to increase youth participation in World Scouting
- requests the World Scout Committee to give serious consideration to the recommendations proposed by the Youth Forum and particularly to the recommendation n° 16 related to the involvement of Youth Advisers in the meetings and work of the World Scout Committee
- calls on the World Scout Committee, Regional Scout Committees and all National Scout Organizations to expand their efforts consistent with Resolution 2002-06 to improve youth involvement and empowerment at all levels, from the local Scout groups to the institutional level in the Movement, and in society itself
- requests National Scout Organizations, Regional Scout Committees and the World Scout Committee, during the next triennium, to adopt the following objectives in developing a youth involvement strategy:
 - integrate in the educational programmes for adolescents and young adults (15-25 years) the dissemination of life skills aimed at developing the capacity of young people to fully participate in the life of the Scout Movement and in society
 - support the Youth of the World Campaign and integrate the Scouts of the World Award in the programme of the senior age sections
 - include in the training of adults the acquiring of skills to enable them to encourage and foster youth involvement in the decision-making process

- ensure greater consistency between all levels of our Movement in the field of youth participation, particularly through adapting, at national and regional levels, the youth involvement practical concept implemented at world level
- consider Youth Forums at all levels as a step to train the future leaders of international Scouting
- make the best use of the potential of the young people exposed to the above mentioned training experience, notably by including young people in national delegations to Regional and World Conferences and the selection of candidates for election to decision-making bodies; and by entrusting Youth Advisers, and other young volunteers selected in a transparent manner, with significant responsibilities both at Regional and World levels.

2005-12 World Scout Conferences - Active Methods

The Conference

- recommends to the World Scout Committee to seek and implement ways of working at the World Scout Conference that are more active, by decreasing the number and length of plenary sessions and focusing these sessions on debates and decisions; and making increased use of workshops and small groups which allow better sharing and working between participants
- recommends that the work on the mission and the strategy of the Movement be allotted a greater share of time at the Conference, by drastically reducing the number of reports and communications presented.

2005-13 World Scout Bureau Structures

The Conference

- encourages the Secretary General to seek opportunities to reflect more adequately, in the structures and staffing of all positions in the World Scout Bureau, the cultural, religious, language, gender and geographical diversity of World Scouting while ensuring that the most qualified people are appointed.

2005-14 Supervision of World Events

The Conference

- requests the World Scout Committee to review the current guidelines governing the relationships between the World Scout Bureau and the host organizations of World Scout Events, including areas such as costs incurred by the World Scout Bureau, the sharing of profits and losses from World Events, cost to participants and participating staff.

2005-15 Cost of World Events

The Conference

- urges the World Scout Committee to further develop the guidelines for World Events in the field of participation fees with the intention of reducing and controlling costs by
 - controlling programme cost by emphasising basic Scouting skills and methods by encouraging troops to deliver programme and activities for themselves and for other groups instead of focusing on consumption-oriented programme
 - limiting the cost for promotion, marketing and overhead costs of World Events
 - asking bidders to provide a project with estimated fees at the time of decision for the host country.

2005-16 Fees for World and Regional Events

The Conference

- considering that one of the objectives of the Scout Movement is to promote the culture of peace
- considering that World or Regional Events are privileged areas for the implementation of our educational method and that they contribute to the promotion of the culture of peace and the inter-cultural understanding between young people
- considering that these World and Regional Events should give the opportunity to a maximum number of young people to live these lifetime experiences
- considering that the increasing participation fees to these events impair youth participation
- considering that these events should be open to all without financial constraints
- recommends that the World Scout Committee, the World Scout Bureau and its Regional Offices coordinate their action plans in terms of youth events in order to avoid repetition and accumulation of events which demand a high investment for the National Scout Organizations (Eurojam 2005, Roverway 2006, World Scout Jamboree 2007)
- recommends that the World Scout Committee and the World Scout Bureau call upon world institutions to obtain financial support for these events allowing for a reduction of the participation fees.

2005-17 Fee System for World Events

The Conference

- having considered the existing situation whereby participants to World Scout Events pay their participation fees on the basis of the classification of categories used for the determination of registration fees
- having considered the differences in per capita income of countries classified as being in the same category which may vary by up to 4.5 times
- having considered the need to urge the young members of middle and lower class families to participate in world self-financed events
- recommends that a new more equitable system in classifying the participation fees to World Scout Events, in relation to the registration fee system, is developed by the World Scout Committee and presented to the next World Scout Conference
- asks the World Scout Committee to call upon the government of the host country of World Scout Events to provide easy access to visas for African countries.

2005-18 Scouting and the Environment

The Conference

- reaffirming the role of the environment in the Scout Method, Scout Law and educational principles of the Scout Movement
- noting the current environmental challenges facing every region of the world and the roles that young people can play in mitigating and adapting to these
- further taking note of the Millennium Development Goals
- welcoming the Memorandum of Understanding between WOSM and UNEP
- recommends that National Scout Organizations develop renewed efforts in order to improve their environment education programmes in all age ranges; these efforts should consider furthering the development of the Scouts of the World programme, the revitalization of the SCENES (Scout Centres of Excellence for Nature and Environment) programme and the review and implementation of the Scout World Conservation Badge
- recommends that the World Scout Committee sets up a special task group, which will be tasked with developing new resources and training materials to help National Scout Organizations improve environment education within their youth programme, this task group to be supported by the Education, Research and Development Department of the World Scout Bureau.

2005-19 World Scout Centres and WOSM Accredited International Scout Centres

The Conference

- having received the paper "World Scout Centres and WOSM Accredited International Scout Centres" submitted to the Conference
- encourages the World Scout Committee to develop a policy and procedures concerning the issues raised in the paper, and urges the World Scout Committee to form a task force composed of the relevant stakeholders
- encourages National Scout Organizations to send detailed comments on the paper to the World Scout Bureau to assist the task force and World Scout Committee in drawing up its policy and procedures to be presented for approval at the next World Scout Conference.

2005-20 Sustainable Development

The Conference

- considering the importance of sustainability and environmental awareness in the Scout Movement
- taking into account that responsible consumption is a principle of sustainability included in the Millennium Development Goals of the United Nations that WOSM promotes within its members.
- aware of the importance of promoting and encouraging within the members of the Scout Movement a sustainable consumption that promotes the reduction of waste and therefore avoids further damage to the environment
- considering the enormous amount of waste we all produce as has been seen, for example, during this Conference
- asks all levels of WOSM to take into account the points mentioned above in all their communications
- recommends to the World Scout Committee to develop a set of standards in order to help minimise the negative environmental impact of large-scale Scout events (e.g. Regional/World Jamborees, Forums and Conferences).

2005-21 WAGGGS/WOSM Relationships

The Conference

- affirms the work of the Consultative Committee and acknowledges the objective within the strategy that contacts with WAGGGS continue and are strengthened
- will receive a progress report on WAGGGS/WOSM relationships during the triennium 2005-2008 at the 38th World Scout Conference.

2005-22 Partnership Development

The Conference

- recalling the success of the World Scout Seminar on Partnership (Marrakech+10) organized in Bangalore, India, in February 2005
- noting the conclusions and recommendations of the above-mentioned seminar
- adopts the text of the Marrakech Charter, Bangalore revised edition on Partnership in Scouting, contained in the Conference Document N° 11 as a need to improve the work in the field of partnerships within Scouting
- requests the World Scout Committee to implement the recommendations arising from the seminar especially revitalising the Project Exchange publication that was previously produced by the World Scout Bureau through Scout Project Exchange (SCOPE) and creating a manual for the Marrakech Charter including the practical elements for partnerships to be published on paper and CD-ROM
- requests the World Scout Committee to further strengthen its partnerships with more actors of civil society, the world of work and the corporate sector which share our common values and consequently, mobilise the necessary resources at world and regional levels to materialise such partnerships

- encourages National Scout Organizations to incorporate and further develop the existing experience on partnerships at world level, in order to enhance their potential at national level
- requests National Scout Organizations, in collaboration with their respective Regions, to report on their progress made in the area of partnership development at the 38th World Scout Conference.

2005-23 Partnership with the United Nations

The Conference

- recalling Resolution 1963-01 concerning WOSM's relationship with the United Nations
- considering the importance of a friendly and active relationship with the United Nations and other international institutions
- recognizing that the work of the United Nations has improved the quality of life of many people, and that working for a better world is at the heart of the mission of Scouting
- acknowledging that the World Organization of the Scout Movement holds consultative status with the United Nations' Economic and Social Council as well as with several UN agencies
- considering the various Memorandums of Understanding signed between WOSM and bodies of the UN system since 2002
- recording with satisfaction that many National Scout Organizations are now working with the UN and its specialised agencies
- reaffirms its support for the goals and work of the United Nations
- expresses its full support for the objectives set in the UN Millennium Declaration and for the work of the UN Millennium Campaign
 - le travail des Organisations scoutes nationales
 - noting that the World Scout Committee formally launched the Centenary programme in 1997, and continues to work towards its development at all levels
 - having received World Scout Conference Document N° 8, Preparing for Scouting's Centenary: 2005 to 2007
- urges National Scout Organizations to show solidarity in the implementation of Centenary initiatives to launch Scouting into its second century; these include the Gifts for Peace, Scouting's Sunrise, the 150th anniversary of Baden-Powell's birth, the International Colloquium, 21st World Scout Jamboree and Join-in-Centenary national programmes
- encourages National Scout Organizations to develop Centenary initiatives in line with their national strategic priorities within the global Strategy for Scouting
- strongly urges National Scout Organizations to honour their commitment to fully implementing the declared Gifts for Peace programmes and recommends that National Scout Organizations communicate the outcomes of the Gifts for Peace as widely as possible
- urges every Scout and former Scout to join the worldwide celebrations on 1 August 2007 (Scouting's Sunrise) to celebrate the dawn of a new century of Scouting with their communities
- strongly encourages National Scout Organizations to use all opportunities created by the Centenary to develop Scouting, promote its relationships with the community and increase its visibility as a modern educational youth movement serving society's needs in the 21st century.

2005-24 Inter-Religious Dialogue and Spiritual Dimension

The Conference,

- recognising the contribution for peace as one of the most urgent commitment of the Movement at all levels,
- believing that the presence in our Movement of many religions is definitely a characteristic of extraordinary importance, which must be fully exploited also for peace promotion and construction,
- underlining the importance of the first World Scout Interreligious Symposium held in Valencia, Spain, in 2003
- recommends the World Scout Committee to continue the actions for inter-religious dialogue

and the development of the spiritual dimension, in cooperation with all pluralist and open National Scout Organizations/Associations and religious Scout Conferences

- recommends the World Scout Committee to foster and support the spreading of such actions at regional and local levels, also giving evidence to valuable experiences realised by National Scout Organizations
- recommends to explicitly consider the issue of inter-religious dialogue and spiritual dimension in the future events of the World Organization, especially where the issue of peace construction is relevant.

2005-25 Centenary of Scouting

The Conference

- acknowledging that the last two World Scout Conferences, meeting in South Africa in 1999 and in Greece in July 2002, adopted resolutions supporting the mobilisation of the Movement to benefit from the Centenary of Scouting
- recognising that Scouting's Centenary is a unique opportunity for National Scout Organizations to develop their own strategies in line with the Strategy for Scouting
- having approved the worldwide theme "2007: One World One Promise"
- noting the wide variety of tools now available to support the work of National Scout Organizations
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2008-01 Registration of Member Organizations

The Conference

- records with pleasure the admission of the following members of the World Organization of the Scout Movement

Effective 16 January 2008

- the Organization of the Scout Movement of Kazakhstan

Effective 1 July 2008

- the National Association of Cambodian Scouts
- the Association of Scouts of Montenegro
- the Scouts of Syria
- the National Organization of Scouts of Ukraine.

2008-02 Registration Fee System

The Conference

- acknowledging the work done by the Registration Fee Task Force and the World Scout Bureau and the progress achieved in developing a new fee structure using a Bezier curve as described in Conference Document No. 10
- recognizing that this new fee structure corresponds to the spirit of Resolution 2005-04 adopted by the Tunisia World Scout Conference
- believing that the concept formulated in this new fee structure will be more equitable for the vast majority of National Scout Organizations
- requests the World Scout Committee to continue refining the new fee structure to ensure maximum benefit for all National Scout Organizations and to ensure completion in time to enable a vote to be taken at the World Scout Conference in Brazil in 2011
- decides to adopt, as an interim measure for the triennium 2008-2011, the alternative proposal contained in annex 4 of Conference Document No. 10, which renews the fees due during the triennium 2005-2008 adjusted for inflation by 4.3%.

2008-03 Governance Review

The Conference

- recalling the work carried out by the Governance Review Task Force during the triennium
- noting the letter sent by the World Scout Committee to all National Scout Organizations on 11 March 2008 in response to the report
- welcomes the Governance Review Task Force's report as a valuable contribution to the continuing debate on the future governance of WOSM and expresses its appreciation to the Chairman and members of the task force for their considerable efforts to conduct the review and produce the report
- supports the World Scout Committee in its stated commitment to implement the substance of Recommendations 1 to 5 of the task force's report which do not involve constitutional change and encourages the World Scout Committee to keep stakeholders informed on its progress
- requests the World Scout Committee to establish a new Governance Review Task Force to work during the upcoming triennium in full transparency, taking into consideration the previous task force's report to the World Scout Committee of December 2007
- recommends to the World Scout Committee to distribute the new Governance Review Task Force report in advance of the next Regional Scout Conferences to allow National Scout Organizations to evaluate it and to discuss potential new proposals before the next World Scout Conference
- requests the World Scout Committee to bring, 12 months prior to the next World Scout Conference, any proposed amendment to the WOSM Constitution arising from the report of the new task force.

2008-04 Governance Issues

The Conference

- reaffirming the contents and the values expressed in the Constitution and the By-Laws of WOSM, with particular reference to Chapter IV, Article IX, paragraphs 1, 2, 6, 8; Article X, paragraph 4; Article XI, paragraph 2; Chapter V, Article XII, paragraph 1; Article XIII, paragraphs 1, 3, 7; Chapter VIII, Article XXII, paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4; and By-Law I, sections 1 and 2
- acknowledging and taking note of the institutional crisis of WOSM over the past months
- firmly recommends to the World Scout Committee
 - that a more effective, immediate and direct management be adopted about its institutional role and its tasks as mentioned in the above articles
 - that more transparent, effective and immediate information be given to National Scout Organizations in order to allow them to take the appropriate decisions and positions, if necessary also by holding an Extraordinary World Scout Conference
 - that all steps be taken in order to preserve the Movement from external or non-democratic influences that are not set out in the Constitution
- firmly recommends to National Scout Organizations
 - to comply with the above-mentioned articles
 - to avoid any form of influence, especially of economic nature, on WOSM and on its bodies
 - to consider the World Scout Conference as the only and privileged place in order to debate and take resolutions about the problems and the governance of WOSM.

2008-05 Selection of Secretary General

The Conference

- taking into account the deep crisis experienced by WOSM at the moment of the celebration of its Centenary and believing that a real leadership is needed for the management of the actions of WOSM, in view of the establishment of a governance system that is solid, practical and accepted by all so as to assure the mission of the Scout Movement at the dawn of its second century of existence
- urges the World Scout Committee to engage in an adequate process for the selection of the Secretary General of WOSM to guarantee the connection between the policy direction decided by the Conference (and developed by the World Scout Committee) and the actions necessary to respond to the needs of National Scout Organizations; this selection process should be presented at the latest 12 months after the end of this Conference
- requests the World Scout Committee to make this process and its planning a real exercise in transparency putting the emphasis on the drawing up of a job description which will allow the hiring of the most appropriate person to carry out the missions that the Constitution entrusts to this position, taking into account the person's capacities, aptitudes and knowledge
- proposes to the World Scout Committee that this process should be sent to National Scout Organizations for consultation insofar as it concerns the definition of the profile, the description of the position, and its relationship with the World Scout Committee.

2008-06 Election Systems at World Scout Conference

The Conference

- recognising that the present method of electing a World Scout Committee has not guaranteed a regional balance within the Committee
- reaffirming that, from a governance perspective, the World Organization needs a World Scout Committee of people with a direct mandate from the World Scout Conference composed of representatives of all National Scout Organizations
- noting the legitimate concern of many Member Organizations that it should be possible to ensure balance in the World Scout Committee without explicitly regulating this balance in the Constitution
- recognising the large possibility of different systems for election, and how these can provide the Member Organizations with possibilities to get a better overview of how the support of one or many particular candidates will affect the overall balance of the Committee elected

- requests the World Scout Committee to investigate various possible ways of conducting the elections to the World Scout Committee during the Conference, so as to give the Conference the possibility to take into consideration the need of a balanced Committee concerning geographical representation, gender, age and other relevant factors
- recommends to the World Scout Committee to pay attention to how elections are conducted in various other non-governmental organizations, as well as thinking creatively and innovatively
- requests the World Scout Committee, based upon the findings of its work, to suggest to the 39th World Scout Conference such amendments to the Constitution and/or Rules of Procedures as it finds suitable, if any
- requests that the work should be planned so that the findings, including recommendations, suggestions for changes to the Constitution, etc., are available to National Scout Organizations no later than one year before the 39th World Scout Conference.

2008-07 Rules of Good Practice for Electoral Campaigns

The Conference

- noting that the current system of individual financing of campaigns for election to the World Scout Committee may lead to inequalities between candidates
- concerned about ethical questions which arise in the actions of campaigns but conscious that the different cultural sensitivities require nuanced responses
- asks the World Scout Committee to propose to the next World Scout Conference rules of good practice for electoral campaigns, by defining acceptable limits for promotional action, based on the values of Scouting.

2008-08 The Strategy for Scouting

The Conference

- valuing the work undertaken to provide National Scout Organizations with tools and information to support progress in strategic planning and each of the strategic priorities
- recognising the value of the Strategy as a framework to support the growth and development of Scouting
- recognising the value of the strategic planning process in identifying medium and long term goals for Scouting
- valuing the commitment in National Scout Organizations to align activities for the Centenary with the Strategy for Scouting
- applauding the achievements made in National Scout Organizations in relation to the Centenary of Scouting and the Strategy for Scouting
- adopts 'membership development' as the strategic focus for the triennium 2008-2011
- agrees that the strap-line for the Strategy should be 'action for growth' so that the title of the Strategy would be The Strategy for Scouting – action for growth
- strongly recommends to the World Scout Committee to assess progress in the Strategy and set up a process to develop medium and long term goals for the Movement
- encourages National Scout Organizations to maintain a focus on strategic planning and set up a process to identify indicators and measure progress in their strategies.

2008-09 Regional Scout Conferences

The Conference

- acknowledging that holding Regional Scout Conferences following a World Scout Conference should strengthen the integral strategic direction of the Movement by facilitating the development of regional plans within global priorities
- recognising the challenges faced by Regions in fully implementing Resolution 2005-06 due to the restrictive deadline that Regional Scout Conferences should take place within 18 months
- decides that all Regional Conferences in the triennium following future World Scout Conferences take place according to a timeframe agreed by Regional Scout Committees
- asks Regional Scout Committees to ensure that this resolution is implemented in a way that maintains the principle that regional plans benefit from being developed in the context of global priorities identified by the World Scout Conference.

2008-10 Triennial Plan & Report

The Conference

- considering that the World Scout Committee is the volunteer body that conceives guidance for the development of the strategy defined by the World Scout Conference
- considering that it is the World Scout Committee together with the Secretary General who guide and orient the World Scout Bureau in the process of implementation of the world strategy
- mindful that good management practices – such as the definition of priorities and objectives – and the construction of a realistic action plan according to available human and financial resources are essential in any management team, and transparency towards stakeholders is a sign of good leadership
- mindful that effective communication is essential in any organization
- requests the World Scout Committee to adopt an action plan (for 3 years), in accordance with the human and financial resources of the organization, where priorities, responsibilities and resources are explicit; this plan should be sent to all National Scout Organizations no later than 6 months after the World Scout Conference
- asks the World Scout Committee to prepare a brief mid-term report, stating the progress made, mentioning the obstacles found (if any), and to tackle the outlined actions that were not achieved (if the case); this should be sent to all National Scout Organizations no later than 20 months after the World Scout Conference
- decides to consider in future the World Scout Committee Triennial Report as a World Scout Conference document.

2008-11 Membership Development

The Conference

- noting that the WOSM Constitution states that the World Organization should facilitate the expansion and development of Scouting
- believing that membership growth is a key challenge for Scouting around the world
- recognising that the Strategy for Scouting and the seven Strategic Priorities provide a framework to support the growth and development of the Movement
- believing that each National Scout Organization has valuable experiences to share with other National Scout Organizations in similar situations
- acknowledging that varying demographics around the world will have an impact on membership and thus membership growth should be measured as market share of the available youth population
- recognising the important work done by the European Scout Region in the area of membership growth
- encourages all National Scout Organizations, especially those in areas of the world where membership is not expanding, to take action in relation to membership growth
- requests the World Scout Committee and World Scout Bureau to give priority to supporting action for growth by National Scout Organizations
- encourages Regional Scout Committees to review their regional action plans to incorporate a focus on membership growth and identify initiatives to support this.

2008-12 Volunteers In Scouting

The Conference

- appreciating that a vibrant and managed approach to Volunteers in Scouting is essential to achieve the Mission of Scouting and to enable membership development and growth
- recognising that many National Scout Organizations need practical tools and active support in this area, and welcoming the recent production of the Volunteers in Scouting Toolkit
- conscious that the principles of the Adults in Scouting strategy were defined at the World Scout Conference in Paris in 1990 and the World Adult Resources Policy was adopted at the World Scout Conference in Bangkok in July 1993
- noting that the United Nations are planning to celebrate a decade of volunteering in 2011, ten years after the International Year of the Volunteer in 2001
- requests the World Scout Committee to prioritise within Strategic Priority No. 5 of the Strategy for Scouting
 - maintaining continued resourcing for this strategic priority
 - providing support for the sharing of good practice and practical tools to support National Scout Organizations in this area
 - providing, when requested, appropriate targeted support, to help National Scout Organizations attract and retain sufficient adult volunteers to deliver the Mission of Scouting
 - reviewing the impact, effectiveness and continuing relevance of the Adult Resources Policy, and developing a comprehensive plan for future work concerning adult volunteers
 - making a strong effort to maximise the positive impact of a Decade of Volunteering in 2011 on the Scout Movement at world, regional and national levels.

2008-13 Adult Resources

The Conference

- noting the results achieved in the matter of adult resources since the adoption of the World Adult Resources Policy in 1993
- underlining the importance of training in the management of Adult Resources and in the accomplishment of our mission
- highlighting the issues of the recognition of our training systems by external bodies and actors outside Scouting
- recommends to the World Scout Committee and the World Scout Bureau to:
 - engage in a process of evaluation of training systems in place in the Movement
 - using the symbolism of the Woodbadge, draw up a framework for the official recognition of national training systems, which will remain optional for National Scout Organizations in accordance with the World Adult Resources Policy
 - submit the results of this work to the next World Scout Conference.

2008-14 Youth Involvement in Decision-Making

The Conference

- recalling Strategic Priority No. 1: Youth Involvement
- reaffirming Recommendation 16 of the 9th World Scout Youth Forum
- noting that the contributions of both young people and adults are important in successful Scout decision-making
- considering that equal opportunities constitute an essential part of good governance
- keeping in mind that expertise is only gained through experience
- noting with regret that youth involvement in the decision-making of the World Organization of the Scout Movement is still limited
- further noting that World Scouting is at the moment provided by adults for young people as opposed to by young people and adults for young people
- recognizing that Youth Advisors are only a temporary and transitory means in the decision-making process
- welcoming Recommendation B on this question of the 10th World Scout Youth Forum
- encourages National Scout Organizations to nominate young candidates for election to positions of responsibility at all levels

- recommends to Regional Scout Committees and the World Scout Committee to strive towards the goal of at least a third of sub-committee and task force members being under 30 years old
- requests the World Scout Committee to facilitate mentoring for young people appointed to positions of responsibility at world level
- encourages Regional Scout Committees and National Scout Organizations to facilitate mentoring for young people appointed to positions of responsibility at regional and national levels respectively
- requests the World Scout Committee, in cooperation with the Youth Advisors, to develop a youth involvement Vision and Strategy; this strategy should be considered by the 39th World Scout Conference.

2008-15 World Scout Youth Forum

The Conference

- considering the centrality of youth involvement to the Scout Movement (Strategic Priority No. 1)
- considering the important role of the World Scout Youth Forum in World Scouting as an interim measure towards youth involvement and considering the constructive work which takes place at these forums
- considering Resolution 2005-11 from the 37th World Scout Conference: "make the best use of the potential of the young people..."
- considering the need for participants of the World Scout Conference to be properly informed of the discussions and recommendations of the World Scout Youth Forum
- requests that, during this interim measure, sufficient time is allocated to the report of the World Scout Youth Forum and then to reactions in regard to this; this should be implemented as of the 39th World Scout Conference in Brazil
- requests the World Scout Committee, during this interim measure, to give due respect and consideration to the views, opinions and recommendations of the World Scout Youth Forum, both inside and outside the World Scout Conference.

2008-16 Greater Decentralisation

The Conference

- recognizing the growing desire of National Scout Organizations to participate more actively in, and contribute to the decision-making process in WOSM
- encourages the World Scout Committee and the World Scout Bureau to increase their consultation with Regional Scout Committees and/or Regional Offices in questions which by their nature would benefit from this
- recognizes that the strength of WOSM is its diversity and that any initiatives to strengthen the global Scout image and brand should build on this strength without having to dilute the uniqueness of the National Scout Organizations
- decides that the World Scout Bureau implements a transparent, rigorous and equitable budgeting process for all its Offices
- recommends that there should be a more equitable distribution of financial resources, with adequate safeguards and accountability, to ensure that there is a budget for all Offices which is pro-growth.

2008-17 Location of World Scout Bureau

The Conference

- considering that it is good practise to evaluate from time to time the location of the headquarters of an international organization
- considering the following key governance issues of WOSM: legitimacy, unity of the movement, accountability and transparency, integrity and democracy
- mindful of the current financial situation of WOSM
- believing the World Scout Committee should consider and conduct a thorough study of the best location for the World Scout Bureau including options to relocate the World Scout Bureau from Geneva to a more suitable location
- requests the World Scout Committee to conduct in full transparency a full feasibility study of the best location of the World Scout Bureau within 18 months; such feasibility study shall consider all relevant factors for making a decision on the location of the World Scout Bureau, including financial, legal and reputational factors, and shall afford interested National Scout Organizations the possibility to submit suggestions and comments.

2008-18 Diversification of Income Sources

The Conference

- mindful that the World Scout Bureau, and its Regional Offices, constitute a vital support structure for the Movement
- considering that the World Scout Bureau, its Regional Offices, and projects require a considerable amount of financial resources in order to function to their full potential
- considering that the budget of the World Scout Bureau is strongly dependent on the income produced by the fees
- mindful that this situation might constitute a vulnerability to the Movement
- requests the World Scout Committee and the World Scout Bureau to invest more effort in increasing and diversifying the income sources; these sources should be in line with the ethical values of Scouting.

2008-19 World Scout Committee Member Expenses

The Conference

- considering that it is every National Scout Organization's responsibility to promote candidates for election to the World Scout Committee
- mindful that WOSM provides economic support to World Scout Committee members for their attendance at regular World Scout Committee meetings and the World Scout Conference but does not cover any other expenses incurred while they hold office
- taking into account that not all National Scout Organizations can afford this additional need of support
- willing to reinforce the right of every National Scout Organization to have equal opportunities to promote candidates of its Organization to the World Scout Committee
- requests the World Scout Committee to carry out, during the next triennium, a feasibility study about the possibility to fund those expenses of the members of the World Scout Committee that are not currently covered by the general budget of WOSM and would help them to effectively fulfil their duty as World Scout Committee members; the incurring of these expenses should always follow the applicable control and audit policies.

2008-20 Education for Peace

The Conference

- recognising the tremendous value that participation in social development projects contributes to the all-round education of children and young people in Scouting
- noting that the last two World Scout Conferences, meeting in Greece in July 2002 and in Tunisia in 2005, unanimously adopted resolutions supporting the Gifts for Peace
- appreciating the excellent projects developed and implemented by over 110 National Scout Organizations in the scope of the Gifts for Peace
- valuing the wide range of educational support available to support the work of National Scout Organizations
- recognising the support received from external donors to support this area of work and thanking them for their generosity
- noting the wide benefits of this work to the development of quality programmes, better profiles, increased fundraising opportunities and opportunities to work in partnership with others
- strongly encourages all National Scout Organizations to continue to promote and integrate education for peace within their national Scout programmes
- urges National Scout Organizations to continue to develop and implement their Gifts for Peace projects adapting these to the needs of the local communities and society
- recommends that National Scout Organizations work in partnership with others, following the Marrakech Charter (Bangalore revised edition), to enrich our programmes, strengthen our impact and demonstrate solidarity with others
- strongly urges National Scout Organizations to adopt and implement the Scouts of the World Award as a way of supporting education for peace and community development amongst the older age Scout sections
- encourages all National Scout Organizations to build on all of the achievements of the Centenary of Scouting in 2007 to further develop Scouting, promote its relationships with the community and increase its visibility as a modern educational youth movement serving society's needs in the 21st century.
- encourages National Scout Organizations to continue with contributions to the Scout Universal Fund each year to promote local groups in their National Scout Organizations to support the growth of Scouting at local levels, for countries in need.

2008-21 Scouts of the World Award

The Conference

- considering the current problem of relatively small membership in Rover Scout Section globally
- noting the huge benefits of the Scouts of the World Award to Scouting and the wider community endorsing Scouting's mission of "creating a better world"
- recognizing the relatively small number of National Scout Organizations that are currently implementing the Scouts of the World Award
- considering that the Scouts of the World Award has been developed in the framework of the strategic priorities "Youth Involvement" and "Adolescents" approved by the World Scout Conference in 2002
- urges National Scout Organizations to play an active role in the implementation of the Scouts of the World Award so as to offer adolescents and young adults projects in line with today's issues
- encourages National Scout Organizations that are not yet participating in the award to implement the Scouts of the World Award
- suggests to National Scout Organizations, if they have not already done so, to appoint their own ambassadors for the Scouts of the World Award to implement and/or further their National Organization's work on the Scouts of the World Award
- encourages National Scout Organizations and the World Scout Committee to encourage Scouts of the World Award projects to be carried out by international teams.
- urges National Scout Organizations that currently feel unable to implement the Scouts of the World Award to encourage their Rover Scouts to participate in the Scouts of the World Award projects organized by other National Scout Organizations
- requests the World Scout Committee to make publicizing and resourcing of the Scouts of the World Award a priority.

2008-22 Environmental Education in Scouting

The Conference

- reaffirming the central role of the environment in the Scout Method, Scout Law and educational principles of the Scout Movement
- noting the current environmental challenges facing every region of the world and recognising the roles that young people can play in mitigating and adapting to these challenges
- recognising the actions taken by the World Scout Committee through the Educational Methods Committee and Environment Education Task Team to respond to Conference Resolutions 2005-18 and 2005-20
- welcoming the renewed Memorandum of Understanding between WOSM and UNEP
- further welcoming the supportive partnerships that have developed between WOSM and other organisations for environment education
- adopts the principles and aims for environment education in Scouting
- recommends that National Scout Organizations adopt the framework for environment education in Scouting and incorporate the ideas through a regular review of their youth programme and by offering the World Scout Environment Badge
- recommends the World Conservation Badge be phased out during the next triennium by National Scout Organizations which use it
- recommends that National Scout Organizations look to identify suitable Scout Centres that can become SCENES (Scout Centres of Excellence for Nature and Environment) Centres
- recommends that the World Organization of the Scout Movement continue its function of providing new resources and training materials to help National Scout Organizations improve their environment education programme, in line with the World Scout Environment Programme.

2008-23 World Scout Centres

The Conference

- referring to Conference Resolution 2005-19 adopted by the 37th World Scout Conference
- considering the report "World Scout Centres and WOSM Recognition of International Scout Centres" circulated to all National Scout Organizations in December 2007
- taking into account the muted response to that report and the proposals contained therein
- recognising that there may be potential legal risk liability inherent in any programme to accredit International Scout Centres
- endorses the decision of the World Scout Committee not to proceed with any plans to introduce a scheme of accreditation of International Scout Centres
- approves the proposal that the World Scout Committee may grant recognition as a "World Scout Centre" to a Scout centre which responds to world level educational needs or offers services otherwise related to the promotion and development of World Scouting and one of the following applies:
 1. The Centre is a property of WOSM, its management is responsible to the World Scout Bureau and its activities are integrated in the Global and Yearly Operational Plan and budget approved by the World Scout Committee, to whom a written report is presented annually. In addition, any long-term, medium-term and short-term development plans, relating to the improvement of the infrastructure and the development of its programme, are presented to the World Scout Committee for consultation and information.
 2. The Centre belongs to a third party controlled by WOSM, which has the majority of votes in its governing body, which are exercised through the supervision and control of the World Scout Bureau. Its Yearly Plan is presented for information and advice to the World Scout Committee, to whom a written report is presented annually.
 3. The Centre is of historical and worldwide relevance to the Scout Movement because it was established by the Founder, the World Scout Committee is represented on the board of the executive body and the World Scout Bureau has a voice in the appointment of the CEO of the Centre. Its Yearly Plan is presented for information and advice to the World Scout Committee, to whom a written report is presented annually
- accepts that the relevance of World Scout Centres should extend beyond a limited Scout environment; they should gain social recognition (hence support) for the service offered, including by the local community in which they operate.

2008-24 Scientific Congress

The Conference

- considering the success of the 1st World Scientific Congress "Education and the World Scout Movement; experiences and challenges"
- recommends to the World Scout Committee to continue to develop dialogue and cooperation with universities and academics, in order to plan further researches on Scouting and related applications and good practices
- recommends to spread the results of this cooperation between the World Scout Movement, universities and research centres and to distribute the proceedings of this scientific congress.

2008-25 Bidding for World Scout Events

The Conference

- concerned about the competition when some countries bidding for World and Regional Scout Events can spend much more resources than others in their campaigns
- acknowledging that corporate and governmental sponsorship should primarily be directed towards youth participation in the event
- welcoming Recommendation G from the 10th World Scout Youth Forum, raising concerns about the environmental impact of major World Scout Events
- believing that countries bidding for World and Regional Scout Events should take into consideration Resolution 2005-20 of the 37th World Scout Conference on the environmental impact of their campaigns
- requests the World Scout Committee to develop guidelines for fair competition between National Scout Organizations bidding for World Scout Events in time for the World Scout Conference in 2011
- encourages National Scout Organizations bidding for World and Regional Scout Events to prioritise external funding to sponsoring of Scouts who could not otherwise participate
- further encourages bidders to focus on the educational content of the event
- recommends that, in future, National Scout Organizations bidding for World and Regional Events present an environmental impact plan to the World Scout Conference on the occasion of the election.

2008-26 13th World Scout Moot, Kenya, 2010

The Conference

- noting the explanation and information contained in Conference Document No. 13
- acknowledging with regret the need for the National Scout Organization of Mozambique to withdraw from hosting the event
- endorses and supports the World Scout Committee's decision that the 13th World Scout Moot should be hosted by the Kenya Scouts Association in 2010.

2008-27 Centenary Diploma

The Conference

- taking into consideration that the Scout Movement has celebrated its first 100 years of continuous work
- believing that the success achieved is a result of the work done by the duly recognized National Scout Organizations and that these Organizations continue in promoting the Scout Movement
- resolves to give appropriate recognition to the National Scout Organizations that reach this 100 year milestone of Scouting
- decides that the recognition will be given starting at the next World Scout Conference in Brazil in 2011 and will be continued at subsequent World Scout Conferences
- proposes that the recognition will be a diploma given by the World Scout Committee to each National Scout Organization that has reached this milestone.

2008-28 External Relations in Scouting

The Conference

- inspired by the Mission of Scouting to "Create a Better World"
- recalling Resolutions 1969-01, 1988-05, 1988-08, 2005-22 and 2005-23
- mindful of the fact that Scouting does not exist in isolation from the wider society
- mindful of the fact that children and young people under 25 years of age constitute more than half of the world population and that they face huge challenges both in developing and developed countries
- recognising the responsibility of Scouting to respond to the needs and challenges of today's world and young people
- acknowledging the importance of the relationships of Scouting and the United Nations to the National Scout Organizations, especially in developing countries
- welcoming the recent adoption by the World Scout Committee of the policy statement "Guiding External Relations and Partnerships in WOSM"
- reaffirms that the aim of external relations is to serve WOSM members and to impact the quality of Scouting and Scout activities as well as involvement in society
- reaffirms the need to strengthen relationships of Scouting with decision-makers, the United Nations, civil society, the world of work and the corporate sector at all levels
- reaffirms the role of Scouting in promoting participation and living conditions of young people, sustainable development and human rights
- encourages the National Scout Organizations and Regions to play an active and constructive role in society
- encourages all National Scout Organizations to use the policy statement as a tool at national level
- requests the World Scout Committee and the World Scout Bureau to support National Scout Organizations in this endeavour
- calls upon National Scout Organizations to make a particular effort in terms of developing partnerships and relations with other organizations.

2008-29 WAGGGS/WOSM Consultative Committee

The Conference

- according a significant value to the work done by the WAGGGS/WOSM Consultative Committee and wishing that such a platform should be used during the next triennium
- having recognized that no specific mention has been made for the future of the strategy but supposing that the Consultative Committee will continue to discuss issues affecting both world organizations or national organization members of one or both
- wishing to show its support towards this cooperation
- requests the World Scout Committee to ensure that WOSM continues, in the frame of the Consultative Committee and when appropriate, its collaboration with the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS) in order to facilitate the dialogue on issues that affect or are present in both world organizations.

2008-30 World Scout Interreligious Forum

The Conference

- considering the success obtained by the World Scout Interreligious Symposium held in Taiwan in May 2006
- considering the World Scout Movement as a privileged context to meet and reflect on educational aspects, related to faiths and beliefs and to the development of the spiritual dimension
- considering the World Scout Committee task force engagement on spiritual dimension
- recommends to the World Scout Committee to move forward and to monitor and report to future World Scout Conferences on further meetings and related activities.

Curitiba, Brazil, 2011

2011-01 Registration of Member Organization

The Conference

- records with pleasure the admission of the Belarusian Republican Scout Association as a member of the World Organization of the Scout Movement effective 5 September 2010.

2011-02 WOSM Registration Fee System

The Conference

- adopts the registration fee system described in Annex 1 of Conference Document No. 10 as the WOSM Fee System from fiscal year 2011-2012 starting 1 October 2011
- decides that the following shall apply for fiscal years 2011-2012 to 2019-2020:
 - basic fee per member: CHF 1.22
 - on a voluntary basis, basic fee per member, as defined above, augmented by 5% for all 25 National Scout Organizations with a GNI per capita greater than USD 20,000
 - basic fee per member, as defined above, to be adjusted to inflation for the triennium 2014-2017 and 2017-2020
 - category A: GNI per capita up to USD 765
 - category B: GNI per capita from USD 766 to USD 3,035
 - category C: GNI per capita from USD 3,036 to USD 9,385
 - category D: GNI per capita from USD 9,386 to USD 45,740
 - minimum annual fee payable: CHF 300
 - annual flat fee for Member Organizations in a country with a GNI per capita of less than USD 350: CHF 300
 - annual flat fee for an Accredited National Scout Organization: CHF 200.

2011-03 Scouting's Cause

The Conference

- reaffirming the desire of the Movement to create a better world
- striving to differentiate WOSM from other organizations with similar aspirations
- adopts 'Education for Life' as the 'cause' of the Movement.

2011-04 Be Prepared: Leadership for Life

The Conference

- welcoming the work done by the Strategy Co-ordination Group in proposing a stronger focus on leadership for the Strategy for Scouting
- recognizing the importance of
 - working with the adolescent age-group
 - providing personal development for young adults, including opportunities for leadership
 - situating Scouting as a world leader in non-formal education
 - securing support for Scouting from influential partners, e.g. governments, the private sector, other non-governmental organizations
 - effective communication to support all aspects of the Strategy
- adopts "Be Prepared: Leadership for Life" as a focus for the Movement
- requests the World Scout Committee and interested National Scout Organizations to develop a 'bottom up' approach to "Be Prepared: Leadership for Life" building on best practices from around the world
- requests National Scout Organizations to review their youth programme for adolescents and young adults to ensure that it provides challenging opportunities for leadership and personal development within and outside Scouting.

2011-05 The Strategy for Scouting

The Conference

- believing that the Strategy for Scouting provides direction to the Movement and supports its cohesion
- accepting that achieving Scouting's potential – in relation to the quality of youth programme, recruitment and support of adults, its position as the leading non-formal educational youth organization in society, and its reach to all aspects of society – remains a challenge for many National Scout Organizations
- valuing the progress made in many National Scout Organizations in relation to the development and growth of Scouting in their society
- noting that National Scout Organizations have used the elements of the Strategy for Scouting in different ways to support their development and growth
- acknowledging that each National Scout Organization has valuable experiences and leaders with skills and expertise to share with other National Scout Organizations
- affirms the Strategy for Scouting and its seven strategic priorities as a framework for the development of Scouting at national level for the next triennium
- strongly encourages National Scout Organizations to continue to use the seven strategic priorities as a basis for the development of their own national strategies designed to provide better Scouting for more young people
- requests the World Scout Committee to develop and implement a consultancy approach to providing targeted support to National Scout Organizations to facilitate their development and growth, drawing on the resources available in National Scout Organizations and at regional level
- requests National Scout Organizations to engage in the consultancy approach with world and regional bodies and with other National Scout Organizations in providing and receiving support to give impetus to the growth and development of the Movement.

2011-06 The Strategy for Scouting: Clearer Focus

The Conference

- reaffirming the direction of the Movement and the focus on growth
- recognizing previous important Resolutions regarding the Strategy for Scouting, notably Resolution 2008-08 in Korea
- reaffirming the need for a clear and communicative strategy with elements to be used internally and externally
- acknowledging that a "mission" and a "cause" essentially answer the same question, and that there are other overlapping elements of the current Strategy for Scouting
- recognizing the huge differences in needs and strategic prerequisites in different regions and among different National Scout Organizations
- realizing that the current evaluation of the Strategy gives limited guidance for the development of the Strategy for Scouting
- recognizing the already stated need for separate strategies but a common framework for the Movement, the world bodies and National Scout Organizations
- requests the World Scout Committee to do a thorough evaluation of the Strategy for Scouting in the coming triennium, where the evaluation should
 - include a thorough analysis of needs and trends among young people both within Scouting and in society in the future
 - include a current situational analysis for the Scout Movement
 - be based on qualitative as well as quantitative analysis
 - recognize regional differences
 - measure relevant key performance indicators, which have a clear connection to overarching goals and strategic priorities
- requests the World Scout Committee to clarify how the different components of the strategic framework (vision, mission, cause, strategic priorities, drivers for change, etc.) are connected and should be used by the world bodies as well as by National Scout Organizations
- requests the World Scout Committee to develop a clear and focused Strategy for the world bodies based on the strategic framework and based on the thorough strategy evaluation, leading to better measurability and opportunity for follow-up.

2011-07 Educational Methods

The Conference

- inspired by the Mission of Scouting, which is "to contribute to the education of young people, through a value system based on the Scout Promise and Law, to help build a better world where people are self-fulfilled as individuals and play a constructive role in society"
- recalling Resolution 2005-10 on Educational Methods Structures
- reaffirming that, as an educational movement for young people, Scouting's purpose is to contribute to the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, emotional, social and spiritual potentials as individuals, as responsible citizens and as members of their local, national and international communities
- reaffirming that supporting the development of young people and the support offered to the committed Scout leaders, are the key enablers of achieving our Mission
- acknowledging that the Scout approach to non-formal education enables the global and continuous development of a person's capacities both as an individual and as a member of society
- reaffirms that Educational Methods should be the focus of the work in Scouting, on local, national and world levels
- invites National Scout Organizations, Regional Scout Committees, the World Scout Committee and World Scout Bureau to invest as much as possible of their resources in developing their youth programmes and strategies to develop adult resources
- encourages National Scout Organizations to network actively and exchange best practices in order to support their work in the fields of programme development and adult resources
- encourages closer co-operation with academia and partners in educational institutions and other organizations of civil society
- requests the World Scout Committee to establish a global platform on Educational Methods to facilitate face-to-face exchanges between those working on these issues and to help achieve new developments, while exploring possibilities to utilise existing events.

2011-08 Youth Involvement in Decision-Making in National Scout Organizations and Within WOSM

The Conference

- recognising the importance of involving young people in decision-making as a key part of the Scout Method
- taking note of the several Resolutions adopted on the youth involvement (1993-02, 1999-10, 1999-11, 1999-12, 1999-13, 2002-06, 2005-11, 2008-14) and the need of concrete actions to achieve progress
- recognising that young people are citizens today and that they have a right to be involved in making decisions that affect their lives
- welcoming the progress made in youth involvement through the adoption of the Strategy for Scouting and particularly Strategic Priority 1: Youth Involvement
- recognising that many National Scout Organizations have made good progress in involving young people in decision-making at unit level, at institutional level and within local communities
- desires an end goal where Scouts are not evaluated based on age but on ability and experience, resulting in Scouts of all ages working together to give better Scouting to more young people
- encourages National Scout Organizations to adopt the vision for youth involvement set out in Conference Document No. 14
- encourages National Scout Organizations to create and identify opportunities for young people to be involved in decision-making at unit level, institutionally and in the community
- recommends that each National Scout Organization sets targets for youth involvement so that progress and achievements can be measured
- requests the World Scout Committee to:
 - set targets for youth involvement within the structure of WOSM so that progress and achievements can be measured
 - create an implementation plan for the targets to be reached within the coming triennium
 - report to the next Conference the progress made towards the visions on youth involvement in decision-making within the structure of WOSM and how to continue the process
 - develop tools and share resources and best practices to support youth involvement in National Scout Organizations

- monitor progress in youth involvement in National Scout Organizations
- focus on youth involvement in its communications.

2011-09 World Scout Youth Forum Recommendations

The Conference

- noting Recommendation 2.1.5 of the Governance Review Task Force, accepted by the World Scout Committee, that the Recommendations of the World Scout Youth Forum should be presented in full to the World Scout Conference for debate
- resolves that a session be devoted at the 40th World Scout Conference and subsequent Conferences for debate on the issues raised by the World Scout Youth Forum's Recommendations at a point in the proceedings that is early enough for such a debate to inform the development of appropriate resolutions.

2011-10 Advocacy for World Scouting

The Conference

- applauding the initiative to see Scouting worldwide as a Movement, attracting and retaining more and more young people (especially adolescents) of both genders and coming from broader segments of society
- congratulating the World Scout Committee and the World Scout Bureau for the support and interest in young representation at International Events
- recognizing the need to develop young people's full potential, supported by adults who are willing and able to carry out their educational role
- valuing the opportunities that exist for Scouting to be represented in global Conferences and events related to civil society
- reaffirming Recommendation M of the 11th World Scout Youth Forum
- requests that Scouting is represented by young people at key global Conferences, to increase its profile and contribute to decision-making in wider society
- asks the World Scout Committee to recruit delegates among young people with the necessary skills and experience to contribute to these events; and encourages the World Scout Bureau to engage with the National Scout Organization where the event would be host in the planning and delivery of practical arrangements to support these events
- strongly recommends to the World Scout Committee to provide, in partnership with the National Scout Organization of the country where the event would be held, financial and human support to young people representing WOSM at the event
- requests the World Scout Committee and the World Scout Bureau to fully train and support young delegates representing WOSM in their roles.

2011-11 World Adults in Scouting Policy

The Conference

- reaffirming previous World Scout Conference Resolutions 1993-04, 2005-10, 2008-12 and 2008-13 focusing on Adults in Scouting
- considering the necessity to integrate major recent policies and other key approaches adopted by WOSM such as "Gender policy", "Child protection", "Reaching out", etc.
- emphasising the key role played by adults to support the growth of the Scout Movement
- welcoming the celebration in 2011 by the United Nations of the 10th Anniversary of the International Year of Volunteers
- welcomes the work done by the World Scout Committee and World Scout Bureau to update the World Adult Resources Policy
- recognises that the "Adults in Scouting" framework adopted in 1990 can be used to manage both volunteers and professionals in Scouting
- adopts the World Adults in Scouting Policy as representing WOSM's policy on the acquisition, retention, training, personal development and management of adults within the Scout Movement
- resolves that the policies and procedures on adult recruitment, appointment, support, training and retention as established by previous resolutions are now modified by the adoption of the provisions of the World Adults in Scouting Policy
- invites National Scout Organizations to implement the provisions of the World Adults in Scouting Policy

- requests the World Scout Committee to develop and distribute guidelines which support the implementation of the World Adults in Scouting Policy including the Wood Badge scheme and the application of the Policy in relation to professional staff as soon as possible after the World Scout Conference concludes.

2011-12 Scouting's Profile

The Conference

- recognizing the importance of the work done on communications, partnerships, branding and resource mobilization
- building on the success of the Regional Communications Forums
- recognizing the advance of technology and its impact on channels of communication
- recognizing the effort of maintaining and managing external partnerships that create additional channels for World Scouting
- recommends the World Scout Committee to continue the work done by the Scouting's Profile Committee.

2011-13 Strengthening the World Scouting Brand

The Conference

- considering Conference Resolution 1969-05
- recognising the change in the Constitution adopted at its meeting in July 2008, which included the World Scout Emblem in the Constitution of the World Organization of the Scout Movement
- recognising the importance of the work accomplished in the area of branding since the adoption of Resolution 2005-09 in September 2005
- recognising that World Scouting's brands are an integral part of the Movement's intangible capital and recognising the urgent need to protect them
- recognising the impact of the marketing dimension of this strategy on the Movement's growth policy and on the mobilisation of new resources
- recognising that the "World Scout Bureau" Association (World Scout Bureau Inc.) is the legal representative of the World Organization of the Scout Movement and thus owns its brands
- recognising the beneficial effects that the protection and promotion of World Scouting's brands have on the sense of belonging amongst its members at national and international level
- recognising the differentiating capacity that these brands have vis-à-vis dissident organizations or vis-à-vis organizations that abuse the emblems and badges that show membership of the World Organization of the Scout Movement
- recognising that Scout & Guide National Organizations (SAGNOs) as well as National Scout Associations may have other important stakeholders, leading to a more complex situation regarding brand identity and multiple brands
- requests the World Scout Committee to pursue the implementation of the strategy adopted in Conference Resolution 2005-09, and to pursue the 12-year plan adopted by the Committee in 2006
- requests the World Scout Committee and the World Scout Bureau to continue investing in the legal protection of the brands
- encourages National Scout Organizations: to use the World Scout Emblem on their uniforms and on all promotional materials; to use the means that enable the World Scouting's brand logo to be adopted at national level (Pack 2, World Scout Bureau Circular 5/07)
- recommends that National Scout Organizations and their members respect the legal and graphic norms governing the protection of the brands at national and international level, and to support the World Scout Committee in taking legal action against counterfeiters
- recommends that National Scout Organizations respect the decisions taken by the World Scout Committee concerning the terms of use and commercialisation of World Scouting's brands
- adopts the vision in terms of image contained in Conference Document No. 8 presented by the World Scout Committee.

2011-14 Sharing Best Practice of Promotional Material Among National Scout Organizations

The Conference

- referring to Priority No. 1, strengthening the World Scouting Brand as proposed by the World Scout Committee in Conference Document No. 8 of the 39th World Scout Conference: "To improve the Scout Movement's image and strengthen the sense of belonging amongst its members"
- appreciating the efforts of many National Scout Organizations to promote Scouting as a dynamic and modern movement by producing materials such as TV spots, poster campaigns, post cards, clothing and many more
- regretting the fact that exchange of best practise in the above mentioned field is limited at present
- noting the high costs of promotion campaigns in regard to human and financial resources
- being convinced that a lot of local promotion material can easily be adapted to other Regions and National Scout Organizations
- being aware of the fact that differences in national copyright law can make the sharing of promotional material among National Scout Organizations and Regions difficult
- recommends that the World Scout Committee and the World Scout Bureau facilitate the exchange of National Scout Organizations' promotion material by introducing a suitable sharing platform that is easily accessible to Scouts at all levels within the World Scout Movement
- encourages National Scout Organizations to contribute promotional material to this platform
- recommends that the World Scout Committee and the World Scout Bureau assist those National Scout Organizations so desiring to transfer at no additional cost the ownership rights to their promotional material to the World Scout Bureau and at no additional cost to those National Scout Organizations which are using the material.

2011-15 Partnerships Between WOSM and Community Groups, the United Nations and NGOs

The Conference

- noting the request expressed by National Scout Organizations for support from the World Organization in the construction of partnerships with community groups, non-governmental organizations and the United Nations
- believing in the usefulness for National Scout Organizations to benefit from the experience, the competences, skills, training and professionalism of other community groups and NGOs in order to reach and fulfil the objectives of reaching out and diversity established in the Strategy for Scouting
- recognizing the necessity of reinforcing partnerships between WOSM and community groups and NGOs external to our Movement
- taking note of the Resolution 2008-28 concerning external relations within Scouting
- believing in the idea of a World Scout Movement which is open to the competences and skills of other organizations and community groups, in order to ensure together a wider and stronger openness, diversity and impact (ethnic minorities, different wealth levels, different cultures, different religions, openness to people with disabilities)
- recommends to National Scout Organizations and World Scout Committee to strongly consider forming relations with other NGOs whose objectives are consistent with the values of Scouting in order to actively spread new educational opportunities such as the Earth Hour within the Scout Movement, especially by networking with young Scouts who are already active in other NGOs, as well as with the United Nations
- recommends to the World Scout Committee to strengthen its relationship with NGOs in order to actively facilitate better Scout projects and long-term partnerships between the NGOs and National Scout Organizations.

2011-16 Youth, Peace and Security in External Relations

The Conference

- recalling Resolutions 1969-01, 1988-05, 1988-08, 2005-22, 2005-23 and 2008-28 of the World Scout Conference
- recalling Recommendations O/11 and Q/11 of the World Scout Youth Forum
- considering United Nations Security Council Resolutions 1325 (Women, peace and security) and 1612 (War-affected children)
- inspired by the Mission of Scouting to "Create a Better World"
- celebrating the United Nations International Year of Youth in 2011
- mindful of the fact that Scouting does not exist in isolation from the wider society
- recognizing the responsibility of Scouting to respond to the needs and challenges of today's world and young people
- mindful of the fact that children and young people under 25 years of age constitute more than half of the world's population
- further mindful of the fact that 1.3 billion young people will enter the labor market during the next ten years and that only 0.3 billion of these young people are expected to find a job
- considering that each young person without a place in society makes it more difficult to create and sustain peace and security
- further considering that these young people are the bridge-builders of today and the leaders and community-builders of tomorrow and thus play a crucial role in building global sustainable peace
- recognizing the important role of youth in peace-building and development and that this role has not been formally recognized by the United Nations
- reaffirms that the aim of external relations is to serve WOSM members and to impact the quality of Scouting, involvement in society and improve the livelihoods of young people
- reaffirms the need to strengthen relationships of Scouting with decision-makers, the United Nations, civil society, the world of work and the corporate sector at all levels
- reaffirms the role of Scouting in promoting participation and living conditions of young people, sustainable development and human rights
- requests that the World Committee, in its work on external relations with the United Nations in the coming triennium, puts a special emphasis on the issue of peace and security, and in particular works for a United Nations Security Council Resolution on Youth, Peace and Security.

2011-17 Emergency Response

The Conference

- urges all National Scout Organizations to respond urgently to any national/international emergency such as natural and man made disasters and to be able to coordinate with sister organizations, thus remaining always prepared to respond in an effective manner
- encourages the World Scout Bureau to work in partnership with aid agencies to provide coordination, technical and professional support to National Scout Organizations in this regard.

Ljubljana, Slovenia, 2014

2014-01 Registration of Member Organizations

The Conference

- records with pleasure the admission of the following members of the World Organization of the Scout Movement
Effective 1 May 2013
 - the South Sudan Scout Association
Effective 16 February 2014
 - the Association des Guides et Scouts de Monaco

2014-02 Suspension and Termination of Membership

The Conference

- accepts that Beselidhja Skaut Albania be given three months, to 15 November 2014, to confirm in a democratic manner the representativity of its leadership, to settle other issues and to fulfil its obligations as a Member of WOSM, under the supervision of the European Scout Committee
- decides that if, at the end of that period, such problems have not been settled to the satisfaction of the World Scout Committee, Beselidhja Skaut Albania be expelled from the World Organization.

2014-03 Potential Members of WOSM

The Conference

- welcomes and endorses the World Scout Committee's decision taken at its meeting in Slovenia on 10 August 2014 regarding the acceptance of applications for full WOSM membership
- congratulates the Membership Task Force for their thorough study and transparent communications with Regional Scout Committees and National Scout Organizations during the last triennium
- encourages the elected World Scout Committee to continue the work aimed at a fair and coherent membership system.

2014-04 Exclusive Dedication of World Scout Committee Members

The Conference

- considering Article XIII, point 1 of the WOSM Constitution: "The World Scout Committee is the executive organ of the World Organization. Its members shall consider the interests of the Movement as a whole and shall neither consider themselves, nor be considered, as representing any particular Member Organization or Region."
- seeking a pro-active approach to and continuous management of possible conflict of interest
- aiming to stress the overall spirit of service of World Scout Committee members towards all National Scout Organizations of WOSM on equal terms
- requests the World Scout Committee, in order to continuously uphold Article XIII, 1 of the WOSM Constitution, to develop "standing orders" (documented procedures) regarding conflict of interest; and to adopt and implement these "standing orders" as soon as possible
- proposes that this Resolution shall take effect upon the election of the World Scout Committee from the 2017-2020 triennium onwards.

2014-05 Spirituality in Scouting

The Conference

- mindful of the process of globalisation which is bringing people of different cultures and religions ever closer to each other
- acknowledging the work done during the past decade to promote the interreligious and spiritual dialogue within Scouting
- committed to the fundamental principles of the Scout Movement as set out by the Founder and as expressed in the Constitution of WOSM
- considers that young people in a globalised world should be equipped with the knowledge, skills and attitudes to help them to recognise the significance of spirituality in their lives and to respect the spirituality of others
- finds that Scouting, as a global Movement, is based on a vision where every human person has a need for the development of their spiritual dimension in life and recognises that Scouting is in a good position to address this need
- expresses its view that spirituality, practiced through learning by doing, is and remains highly relevant as an element of the educational Method of Scouting.

2014-06 Strategy for Scouting

The Conference

- considering the outcomes of the evaluation of the Strategy for Scouting carried out by Our Strategic Path Priority Area Working Group in response to Resolution 2011-06 in Brazil, and in particular
- commending the Working Group on the developed research and proposals
- reiterating the fact that too many different components have been added to the Strategy for Scouting since its adoption in 2002, complicating a clear focus for the Movement and the Organization
- noting the inadequate monitoring and evaluation of the current Strategy for Scouting
- recognizing that the current Vision Statement and 7 Strategic Priorities approved in 2002 included a horizon of 2007 ("We see Scouting entering its second century...")
- approves the proposed strategic framework for WOSM, as outlined in Conference Document 6, as the new Strategy for Scouting including a renewed Vision Statement for 2023 and its 6 Strategic Priorities
- requests the World Scout Committee
 - to ensure that the World and Regional Triennial Plans, up to the World Scout Conference of 2023, will be aligned with the new Strategy for Scouting, but doing so with a participative approach that is flexible in addressing different needs and realities around the world
 - to use the objectives per strategic priority as outlined in Conference Document 6, as well as the outcomes of this Conference, as a guideline and inspiration for further operational implementation of the strategic framework
- requests the World Scout Bureau
 - to develop clear key performance indicators for WOSM's new strategic framework, ensuring adequate and consistent progress reporting to the World Scout Committee and the World Scout Conference
 - to update existing and where relevant create new WOSM resources for National Scout Organizations to incorporate the new Strategy for Scouting
- strongly encourages National Scout Organizations to incorporate the Strategy for Scouting into their own national strategy, taking different local realities and cultures into account.

2014-07 World Triennial Plan 2014-2017

The Conference

- welcoming the World Scout Committee's initiative to develop a World Triennial Plan proposal for consideration by the Conference, based on a situational analysis of World Scouting and aligned with the new Strategy for Scouting
- considering the outcomes of the discussions between National Scout Organizations on the World Triennial Plan 2014-2017 during the related session at this Conference
- approves the proposed World Triennial Plan 2014-2017 as the overall strategic guidelines for the work to be carried out during the next Triennium
- NOTE: VARIOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE TRIENNIAL PLAN WERE ADOPTED BY THE CONFERENCE AS SPECIFIC AMENDMENTS TO THIS RESOLUTION. THESE ARE RECORDED SEPARATELY
- requests the World Scout Committee
 - to incorporate the outcomes of this World Scout Conference into a final version of the Triennial Plan and its subsequent translation into yearly operational plans
 - to share this final version with all National Scout Organizations no later than 1 January 2015
 - to share regular progress updates with National Scout Organizations
 - to develop the World Triennial Plan 2017-2020 using a similar approach, incorporating lessons learned during this process.

2014-08 World Scout Youth Programme Policy

The Conference

- recognizing that the Youth Programme is the main educational means of achieving the purpose of Scouting and is the key to attracting and retaining members
- affirming the need for a new Youth Programme Policy according to the information contained in the Conference Document 8
- adopts the policy text contained in Conference Document 8 as the World Scout Youth Programme Policy
- strongly urges National Scout Organizations to take the necessary steps to reflect this Policy in their own policies and procedures and to dedicate adequate resources to the development and delivery of their Youth Programme
- requests the World Scout Committee to take all necessary steps to continue to provide support to National Scout Organizations in this area, and to take any necessary action to modify other work area policies and practices at world and regional levels to reflect the World Scout Youth Programme Policy
- urges the World Scout Committee to put in place a process, informed by the results of the World Scout Youth Programme Policy review process, to reconsider the way in which the Scout Method related educational matters are expressed, and take all educational and constitutional action needed
- strongly requests the Regions to organise educational fora to create a common understanding within WOSM regarding Youth Programme and related educational matters.

2014-09 World Scout Youth Involvement Policy

The Conference

- recognising the value of involving and including young people in decision-making for achieving the purpose of Scouting
- considering that Scouting is a Movement of young people, supported by adults, with whom healthy partnerships are established
- noting the findings and conclusions of the Assessment Report of the World Scout Youth Forum and Youth Advisors System, which concludes that more work needs to be done
- being aware of the individual and organisational benefits of having young people actively involved at all levels both within the Movement and in the society
- believing in the active role that young people can play in creating positive change, inside and outside Scouting
- recognising the importance of providing opportunities for young members to experience leadership roles and develop 21st Century skills

- adopts the policy text contained in Conference Document 9 as the World Scout Youth Involvement Policy
- strongly urges National Scout Organizations to implement the policy at all levels within their own organisations by putting a supporting framework in place
- requests the World Scout Committee to consider all means by which the policy may be implemented within the World Organization at regional and world levels, including an ongoing review process.

2014-10 Leadership Development in the Youth Programme

The Conference

- recalling Resolution 2011-4 of the 39th World Scout Conference, "Be Prepared: Leadership for Life"
- noting the outcomes achieved in the area of the 21st Century Leadership as part of the WOSM Triennial Plan 2011-2014, as outlined in Conference Document 10
- noting the strategic priority on Social Impact proposed as part of the new Strategy for Scouting and the related actions proposed within the framework of the WOSM Triennial Plan 2014-2017
- welcoming the introduction of the new World Scout Youth Programme Policy, which highlights Scouting's contribution to developing leadership and promoting active citizenship in young people
- re-affirming the importance of Scouting providing young people with challenging opportunities to develop their leadership capacities
- endorses the World Scout Committee's Concept Paper on Leadership in Scouting, as contained in Conference Document 10
- requests the World Scout Committee to carry out the actions relating to leadership proposed as part of the WOSM Triennial Plan 2014-2017 under the heading of Social Impact
- requests National Scout Organizations to continuously review their Youth Programmes so as to ensure that they provide young people with challenging opportunities for leadership and personal development within and outside Scouting.

2014-11 Global Support

The Conference

- recognising the work carried out by the Global Support Priority Area Working Group responding to Resolution 2011-05, in particular:
 - the development of an integrated consultancy approach – the "Global Support System" – amongst the Regions and World level, ensuring easy access towards all resources available within and outside the Movement
 - the development of a global tool for assessing and supporting good governance and quality Scouting in National Scout Organizations (the "Global Support Assessment Tool")
- commending all National Scout Organizations which took part in the testing phase of this tool
- noting with pleasure that more than 200 Scout experts from around the world joined the ranks of the Global Support Consultant Network this triennium, as well as 29 National Scout Organizations so far taking part in the development and testing of the Global Support Assessment Tool
- recognizing that although substantial progress has been made this triennium, a sustained focus will be required to achieve a truly integrated Global Support System within WOSM
- strongly recommends the World Scout Committee
 - to further develop the integrated Global Support System for National Scout Organizations (NSOs) and National Scout Associations (NSAs) by:
 - building on a consultancy approach through innovative methods on Regional and World level
 - promoting the exchange of information related to projects within NSOs and NSAs through an online portal on scout.org for the Global Support System
 - developing tools to train the Global Support Priority Area Working Group and Consultancy Pool
 - to promote the use of the Global Support Assessment Tool as the primary tool on Regional and World level to support development in NSOs and NSAs

- to ensure Regional Offices are equipped in order to provide adequate assistance based on the results of the assessments provided by the Global Support Assessment Tool.

2014-12 Scouting And Human Rights

The Conference

- recalling the difficulties that emerged at the last World Scout Conference on the topic of Scouting's approach to human rights and non-discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation and gender identity, which led the World Scout Committee to set up a Human Rights Task Force in this triennium
- recognising Scouting's acceptance of human rights as expressed in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the Convention on the Rights of the Child and reaffirmed in subsequent UN conventions, treaties, covenants, declarations and resolutions, and in international law, which make clear that everyone is entitled to all the rights and freedoms stated in the Declaration without distinction of any kind and that States have a duty to promote and protect all human rights and fundamental freedoms, regardless of their political, economic and cultural systems
- recalling World Scout Conference Resolutions 1977-19 and 1988-08 and the Declaration from the World Scout Committee to the 39th World Scout Conference (2011) titled "World Organization of the Scout Movement and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights – Reaching Out, Creating a Better World", which together with this resolution represent WOSM's policy statements on human rights
- affirming that Human Rights Education is a key to changing attitudes and behaviour and to promoting respect for diversity in societies
- reaffirms that Scouting, as a Movement based on its principles of Duty to God, Duty to others and Duty to self expressed in the Scout Promise and Law, does not discriminate on any grounds of human rights
- reaffirms that WOSM has a responsibility to promote Human Rights Education among children and young people as part of its Mission
- endorses the World Scout Committee's stated objective to do its best to ensure that all members in Scouting enjoy all rights and freedoms stated in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, without distinction of any kind
- endorses the World Scout Committee's report on progress on achieving its undertaking made to the 39th World Scout Conference to:
 - include work on Human Rights Education as a part of its guidelines on the Scout programme for all age groups
 - collect and distribute best practices from National Scout Organizations, providing inspiration and help in creating strategies for National Scout Organizations to focus work on diversity, civil and human rights, and reaching out to different segments in society in a national or local perspective
 - provide National Scout Organizations with ongoing support in working with diversity, civil and human rights and reaching out to different segments in society
- adopts the principle that WOSM and National Scout Organizations respect the protection of internationally proclaimed human rights; make sure they are not complicit in human rights abuses; and develop their own strategies and identify challenges that need to be addressed regarding human rights based on the Mission of Scouting and taking account of current legal, cultural and religious contexts.

2014-13 Peace Education in Scouting

The Conference

- reaffirming the importance of Resolutions 1924-14, 1937-15, 1988-07 and 1996-13 adopted by the several World Scout Conferences
- requests the World Scout Committee to facilitate the development within all levels of the World Organization of the importance of peace education in the Educational Proposal of Scouting and, if necessary, include it in further event agendas
- encourages National Scout Organizations to play an active role in peace education, in promoting peace education in practical activities in local groups.

2014-14 Advocating for a Better World

The Conference

- recalling that our Mission includes duty to others and that Baden-Powell's message was to "leave the world a little better than you found it"
- acknowledging that WOSM, as an accredited observer organisation to the UN, is entitled to participate with delegations at different international conferences and that the World Organization has for several years been participating in the UN Climate negotiations as a voice of the current and future generations
- reaffirming World Scout Conference Resolutions 2011-10 and 2011-16
- mindful that, as the largest youth movement, we afford more than 40 million young people a voice, communicating Scouting's message about global challenges and intergenerational justice
- recalling that WOSM is already an active member of the International Coordination Meeting of Youth Organisations (ICMYO) and YOUNGO, the official youth constituency at the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
- recalling that the Scout Movement is a non-political movement we recognise that Scouting has a role representing the youth of the world and is encouraged to articulate Scouting's viewpoint on such global issues
- understanding that young people represent Scouting at all levels of the organisation and in so doing are empowered to become active citizens whose actions may lead to positive change
- recognising that Scouting's empowerment of young people together with the opportunities afforded the youth in Scouting to be representatives on an international stage can create and foster the environment to develop and educate the leaders of tomorrow
- reaffirms the commitment of Scouting to advocate for a better world for young people and future generations
- acknowledges the need for international institutions and external stakeholders to understand the work and role of Scouting as an educational organisation
- encourages the World Scout Committee:
 - to enhance the cooperation between the World Scout Committee/World Scout Bureau, World Scout Foundation and the World Scout Parliamentary Union (WSPU) to implement the advocacy related objectives in the World Triennial Plan
 - to further develop programmes for the involvement of young people and volunteers in advocacy roles
 - to allocate the necessary human and financial resources for a successful coordination of advocacy actions
- entrusts the World Scout Committee to consider the different needs of Scouting's National Scout Organizations and youth in undertaking advocacy actions and participating in external organisations' conferences and events as members of official Scouting delegations, including:
 - preparing clear and effective strategies including outlining processes for fair, open and transparent recruitment to delegations
 - developing and coordinating training programmes to ensure basic level of knowledge on the topics of international negotiations, the character of a delegation and understandings required in representing a global and diverse youth movement
 - considering an alternative funding model so as to be inclusive of Scouts and National Scout Organizations from a diverse range of socio-economic backgrounds so that they may take part in such delegations
 - facilitating a knowledge transfer between delegations.

2014-15 Expansion of Scouting

The Conference

- acknowledging that the World Scout Movement has a big potential to support the efforts of the National Scout Organizations in increasing membership as well as the Scout Regions in expanding to the countries not yet represented in the WOSM
- stating that WOSM is a reliable partner of the UN (including UNDP, UNICEF and other UN programmes) and maintains partnerships with the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement, WWF and other world organizations cherishing similar values
- supporting and inspiring initiatives of the Scout Regions and the National Scout Organizations to develop partnerships with the regional and local structures of the UN and other international partner organizations
- reaffirming the importance of the Resolutions 1963-07, 1999-03, 2008-11 and 2011-05 adopted by the several World Scout Conferences
- urges the World Scout Committee and the World Scout Bureau to extend managerial support to the expansion initiatives of the Scout Regions, using and multiplying Global Support activities
- calls on the World Scout Committee and the World Scout Bureau to practice the partnership with the UN and with other international organizations and to ensure wider representation of the World Scout Movement on large and/or important national, regional and international events (particularly those organized in the countries where Scouting is not well established), thus promoting and strengthening the Scout image
- encourages Regional Scout Committees to incorporate expansion policies and initiatives in their action plans
- encourages National Scout Organizations to take advantage of the WOSM partnership agreements with the UN and other international organizations for the benefit of expansion.

2014-16 Global Partnership with UNICEF on U-Report Mobile Technology and Youth Engagement

The Conference

- acknowledging that the World Scout Movement has a big potential to support the efforts of National Scout Organizations in developing innovative tools that contribute to achieving strategic priorities of World Scouting (including Youth Engagement, Educational Methods, Diversity and Inclusion, Social Impact, Communication & Relations)
- stating that WOSM is a reliable partner of the United Nations
- affirming that the purpose of the Scout Movement is to contribute to development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, emotional, social and spiritual potentials as individuals, as responsible citizens and as members of their local, national and international communities
- supports and inspires initiatives of the National Scout Organizations to develop partnerships and innovations that help in achieving the vision of Scouting as a leading education youth movement enabling young people to be active citizens creating positive change in their communities
- endorses the use of U-report as a tool used by WOSM in achieving its strategic priorities and initiatives
- requests the World Scout Committee to enter into a partnership agreement with the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) on U-report and Youth Engagement and the World Scout Bureau to actively promote the partnership through the Scouting structures at world, regional and national levels
- encourages National Scout Organizations to take advantage of the WOSM partnership with UNICEF on U-report and Youth Engagement for the benefit of Scouting.

2014-17 Visa Procedures and World Scout Events

The Conference

- noting the absence of a large number of National Scout Organization members of WOSM from various scheduled World Scout Events (World Scout Conference and Youth Forum, World Scout Jamboree, World Scout Moot, etc)
- being aware that many National Scout Organizations are required to complete visa procedures and often have difficulty obtaining visas for the duration of the event
- emphasizing the fundamental need and importance of all National Scout Organizations being present to provide greater representation in decision-making on the future of our organization as set out in Vision 2023
- recalling that the strategic priority on "Diversity and Inclusion" recommends that it is indispensable for us to reflect the multicultural nature of our organization
- noting that Resolution 1990-23 on attendance at World Scout Events is much too restrictive and vague with regard to the duties of WOSM and the Organization hosting the event to facilitate the attendance of all National Scout Organizations
- requests the World Scout Committee:
 - to investigate to what extent National Scout Organizations bidding to host World Scout Events have taken the necessary steps to facilitate entry for National Scout Organization delegations
 - to examine carefully the extent to which National Scout Organizations bidding to host World Scout Events have attempted to simplify visa application procedures in their country insofar as local regulations permit
 - to help and support National Scout Organization members of WOSM wishing to attend World Scout Events in the various stages of visa application.

2014-18 National Scout Identity Brand (NSIB) - Exemption from Commercial Licencing

The Conference

- recalling that, in Resolution 1969-05, the WOSM Emblem was accepted and held in trust as a collective mark for Scouting in the world
- believing this proposed Conference Resolution does not contest the 1969 Resolution nor the commercial and non-commercial licences and royalties relating to the usage thereof
- referring to Circular No 28/2014: Strengthening the World Scout Brand
- appreciating that the World Scout Committee has simplified the usage of the NSIB
- bearing in mind that, as the largest youth movement in the world, WOSM has a very potent global brand and that it is the duty of the World Scout Bureau to defend its brand integrity
- remembering also that it is our common duty as members to protect and promote the very values defended by that brand taking into account local socio-economic circumstances
- furthermore encouraging the members of the Scout Movement to adopt a global brand identity and encourage the growth and sustainability of National Scout Organizations to achieve WOSM's objectives for 2023
- recalling that in 2008 "SCOUTS South Africa" and a number of other National Scout Organizations adopted the NSIB with the purpose of promoting Scouting in their own countries and adopting the global vision and brand
- noting that developing materials to be used and worn with a NSIB promotes unity and incites pride amongst the Scouting members of a country and places the brand in the public eye which enhances membership growth, donors and the sustainability of the National Scout Organization
- emphasising the need to consider the different economic realities of the youth membership of the full range of National Scout Organizations, particularly those living in extreme poverty and/or in rural areas with no access to affordable educational activities besides Scouting
- recognising that many National Scout Organizations are predominantly dependent on donor funding
- requests the World Scout Committee to consider the license terms related to exemption of National Scout Organizations carrying the NSIB from the current commercial licensing for the usage thereof, to be in place by 31 March 2015.

Baku, Azerbaijan, 2017

2017-01 Registration of Member Organizations

The Conference,

- records with pleasure the admission of the following Members of the World Organization of the Scout Movement;

Effective 27 February 2016

- Scouting Aruba
- Scouting Antiano (Curaçao)
- Palestinian Scout Association

Effective 11 August 2016

- Myanmar Scout

Effective 14 August 2016

- The Seychelles Scouts Association

Effective 8 May 2017

- Associação dos Escuteiros de São Tomé e Príncipe

Effective 22 June 2017

- União Nacional dos Escuteiros de Timor-Leste

Effective 14 July 2017

- Associazione Guide Esploratori Cattolici Sammarinesi

Effective 26 July 2017

- Escuteiros da Guiné-Bissau

Effective 17 August 2017

- Iraq Scout Association.

2017-02 Membership Application – The Scout Association of Macau

The Conference,

- considering the application for WOSM membership on 13 December 2014 of The Scout Association of Macau,
- being aware of its Associate Membership of WOSM's Asia-Pacific Region since 1983,
- noting the recommendation of the World Scout Committee for membership,
- noting the opposition of nine Member Organizations (more than five percent of WOSM's Membership) during the postal ballot initiated by the World Scout Committee in accordance with Article VI.1 of the WOSM Constitution, resulting in the referral of the application to this meeting of the World Scout Conference,
- recalling that the Purpose of WOSM is to promote unity and facilitate expansion of the Scout Movement,
- approves the application for WOSM membership of The Scout Association of Macau;
- declares as of 16 August 2017 The Scout Association of Macau a Member Organization of WOSM, as the National Scout Organization representing Macao.

2017-03 Strategy for Scouting – Triennial Plan 2017-2020

The Conference,

- recalling Conference Resolution 2014-06, which approved "Vision 2023" as the new Strategy for Scouting,
- recalling Conference Resolution 2014-07, which approved the overall strategic guidelines for the World Triennial Plan 2014-2017 as the first iteration of three to achieve the targets set out,
- commending the World Scout Committee's Strategy Monitoring Group in the training and resources produced to assist Regions and Member Organizations to align themselves with the Strategy for Scouting,
- expressing its appreciation on the diligent reporting of the World Scout Committee including the use of Key Performance Indicators,
- considering the outcomes of the discussions between Member Organizations on the World Triennial Plan 2017-2020 during the related session at this Conference,

- approves the proposed objectives of the World Triennial Plan 2017-2020 (as amended), included in Chapter 3 of Conference Document 6A, as the overall strategic guidelines for the work to be carried out during the next Triennium;
- requests the World Scout Committee,
 - to make a final reality assessment of the proposed objectives of the World Triennial Plan 2017-2020 in terms of available resources;
 - to align the proposed objectives of the World Triennial Plan 2017-2020 (as amended) with the Resolutions taken by the Conference;
 - to approve the final version of the World Triennial Plan 2017-2020, an operational framework to implement it and a subsequent translation into yearly operational plans;
 - to share the final version of the World Triennial Plan 2017-2020 with all Member Organizations no later than 31 December 2017;
 - to share regular progress reports with Member Organizations;
 - to develop the World Triennial Plan 2020-2023 using a similar approach, incorporating lessons learned during this process;
- requests the World Scout Bureau,
 - to further elaborate the concept of "meta-indicators" to assess overall progress of the Scout Movement in achieving the targets set out in Vision 2023;
 - to make these measurements regularly available to the World Scout Committee, enabling it to guide the implementation of the Strategy for Scouting across its Regions and Member Organizations.

2017-04 The Scout Method Review

The Conference,

- recalling Conference Resolution 2014-08: World Scout Youth Programme Policy,
- recognising the work carried out by the Scout Method Unit of the Innovating Scouting Work Stream, responding to the Triennial Plan 2014-2017 objective under the Educational Methods Strategic Priority, Youth Programme section, to:
 - revisit the Scout Method to accurately reflect 21st century developments and the World Youth Programme Policy,
- emphasising the fundamental aspect of the Scout Method as the basis for developing and delivering Scouting's Youth Programme and its importance for the Movement at all levels,
- noting the different interpretations of the Scout Method across various WOSM official publications, and the need to have consistency of the presentation of the Scout Method across the Organization,
- acknowledging the need for a new interpretation of the Scout Method that is in harmony with new trends and 21st century competencies,
- adopts the text of the Scout Method set out in Conference Document 8 as WOSM's interpretation of the Scout Method, reflected in the Constitutional Amendments related to the Scout Method in Chapter I Article III;
- strongly urges Member Organizations to take the necessary steps to reflect this new interpretation of the Scout Method in their own educational programmes, procedures and materials;
- requests the World Scout Bureau to take all necessary steps to provide support to Member Organizations in this area, and to take any necessary action to promote widely the new interpretation;
- urges the World Scout Bureau to put in place a process to update all relevant institutional and educational materials with the new interpretation;
- requests the World Scout Committee to put in place a process to review the interpretation of the Scout Method every three triennia;
- strongly requests Regions to update the interpretation of the Scout Method in their relevant materials and events.

2017-05 World Safe from Harm Policy

The Conference,

- reaffirming Conference Resolutions 1990-16: Convention on the Rights of the Child and 2002-07: Keeping Scouts Safe from Harm,
- considering the necessity to ensure that Scouting continues as a safe learning environment for children, young people, and adults, and the critical role that adults play in achieving this,
- considering the Member Organizations' assessment on Safe from Harm developed by the World Scout Committee with the support of the World Scout Bureau,
- adopts the World Safe from Harm Policy, Conference Document 9, for ensuring the continuing well-being, healthy development and safety of children and young people during their time in Scouting;
- resolves that any existing systems and procedures on Safe from Harm at the world level are now modified by the adoption of the provisions of the World Safe from Harm Policy;
- invites Member Organizations to implement the provisions of the new World Safe from Harm Policy;
- requests the World Scout Committee to allocate resources to support the implementation of the new World Safe from Harm Policy through the establishment of regional networks;
- requests the World Scout Bureau to develop and distribute guidelines which support the implementation of the new World Safe from Harm Policy.

2017-06 Spirituality in Scouting

The Conference,

- recognising the good work being done by many Member Organizations in the area of Spiritual Development / Duty to God and the wide acceptance and use of the resources "Scouting and Spiritual Development" and "Guidelines on Spiritual and Religious Development in Scouting",
- recognising the good work being done and presented by the Duty to God Task Force,
- recognising the need for further investigation in the key area of Spiritual Development / Duty to God and the strongly expressed desire for more support on the part of many Member Organizations in the area of Spiritual Development / Duty to God,
- reaffirming Conference Resolution 2014-05 and the broad agreement within the Movement of the importance of Spiritual Development / Duty to God,
- recommends that the World Scout Committee provides more support to Member Organizations in enhancing their youth programme and leader training in the area of Spiritual Development / Duty to God;
- recommends that the World Scout Committee, when considering approval of changes to the local formulation of the Scout Promise and Law, give due weight to the place of each Member Organization in determining the most appropriate formulation for their "culture and civilization" when addressing the issue of "Spiritual Development / Duty to God";
- calls on Member Organizations to consider, in a spirit of fellowship, the wider interests of the Movement when presenting new formulations of their Scout Promise and Law for approval.

2017-07 Inclusive Decision-Making – Developing the World Scout Conference and the World Scout Youth Forum

The Conference,

- reaffirming its commitment to inclusive decision-making at all levels of WOSM,
- reaffirming its commitment to the World Scout Youth Involvement Policy agreed in Conference Resolution 2014-09,
- noting Conference Resolutions 1999-11, 2005-11 and 2008-15 which confirmed the transitional and interim nature of the World Scout Youth Forum in the decision-making processes of WOSM,
- noting Conference Resolutions 1990-24, 1993-24 and 2005-12 which called for more inclusive methods to be used at World Scout Conferences,
- welcomes the "concept review", Conference Document 10, of the World Scout Conference and World Scout Youth Forum undertaken in the last triennium,
- welcomes the progress that has been made to ensure inclusivity in decision-making processes at this Conference,
- requests the World Scout Committee to continue to innovate and progress further changes

- to working methods to ensure increasing inclusivity and effectiveness of decision-making at the World Scout Conferences and in other WOSM bodies;
- urges the World Scout Committee to investigate and introduce further innovations in the structure of the World Scout Conference programme which support the values of transparency, inclusivity, and sharing of good practices;
- calls upon the World Scout Committee to introduce further developments for the World Scout Conference in 2020 to ensure that young people are fully engaged in the decision-making process with the aim of merging the World Scout Conference and World Scout Youth Forum into a new event in 2023;
- recommends to the organisers of the event that a group of young volunteers, in addition to Youth Advisors, representing the WOSM Regions and realities are fully involved in the process of reviewing the current events and developing the new model;
- requests the World Scout Committee to develop a set of actions to ensure meaningful participation and effective youth contribution to any potential new event;
- calls upon the World Scout Committee to ensure that any possible event in 2023 and beyond retains learning and educational elements, promoting personal growth opportunities that allow participants to take part in more effective decision-making processes;
- calls upon the organisers of future World Scout Conferences to focus any solidarity programme on the attendance of young people under the age of 30 years to ensure youth representation from every NSO;
- calls upon the World Scout Committee to explore how youth participation (under 30's) can be improved in delegations attending the new event.

2017-08 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

The Conference,

- reaffirming WOSM's Vision 2023 and World Scouting's long-term commitment to advancing sustainable development and offering transformative non-formal education for young people,
- reaffirming WOSM's Communication and Strategic Engagements Strategy and World Scouting's commitment to advocate for a better world for young people and future generations and empowering young people to become active citizens,
- recalling Conference Resolution 2005-18: Scouting and Environment, Conference Resolution 2005-20: Sustainable Development, and Conference Resolution 2014-14: Advocating for a Better World,
- welcoming the adoption of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development by the United Nations General Assembly in September 2015, calling for a global call of action for people, planet and prosperity, with 17 goals and 169 targets,
- acknowledging the long-standing partnership between World Scouting and the United Nations, and WOSM's status as an accredited observer organisation to the United Nations,
- acknowledging the Paris Agreement, Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction, the Addis Ababa Action Agenda on Financing for Development and the UN Security Council Resolution 2250 as complementary frameworks to the 2030 Agenda,
- acknowledging the strong relevance of the entire 2030 Agenda to WOSM, and recognising that the interconnected and indivisible nature of the Sustainable Development Goals demands a holistic approach that integrates the social, economic and environmental dimensions of sustainable development,
- noting the draft objectives related to WOSM's contribution to the Sustainable Development Goals proposed for the Triennial Plan 2017-2020,
- strongly urges Member Organizations to play an active role in the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals, and in showcasing the contribution of Scouting through existing national structures for follow-up and review of the 2030 Agenda;
- requests the World Scout Bureau to further develop and monitor the contributions of World Scouting to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and to report on the progress of this work to the World Scout Conference;
- requests the World Scout Committee to ensure future WOSM Triennial Plans continue contributing to the Sustainable Development Goals;
- requests the World Scout Committee to review the Better World Framework to incorporate the Sustainable Development Goals;

- urges the World Scout Committee to integrate the 2030 Agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals as a transversal and cross-cutting framework, throughout all strategic priorities and decisions;
- encourages Member Organizations to engage in partnerships with other stakeholders and sectors, to support the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

2017-09 Evaluation of WOSM's Official and Working Languages

The Conference,

- acknowledging the previous efforts of Conference Resolutions 1990-21 and 1999-09 to increase the use of essential working languages into the discussions and publications of WOSM for World Scout Conferences,
- noting that the official languages of WOSM were adopted in 1922 and the additional working languages added in 1990 for World Scout Conferences have not been evaluated for their utility and benefit of Member Organizations,
- aware that the languages predominantly used and required by WOSM members may have changed and be in the process of changing since the adoption of the WOSM Constitution in 1922,
- considering that effective communication is highly necessary to fulfil the objectives of Vision 2023,
- emphasising the importance of using effective and relevant official and working languages in all World Scout Events and communication,
- considering the essential principles of inclusivity and diversity at both Regional and World Levels,
- considering the cost and effort associated with translation into working and official languages,
- cognizant of the need to objectively evaluate the current needs of the Member Organizations in regard to the official and working languages used at World Events and in WOSM communications,
- recognising the added value of multilingualism in the context of a world organisation,
- cognizant of the relationship between language and identity,
- mindful of the inequitable access to quality language education globally,
- calls for the World Scout Committee to organise a task force to execute the following:
 - undertake an extensive study and evaluation of the official and working languages used at all World and Regional Events and of all communications from WOSM and its respective Regions;
 - assess the needs of the Member Organizations in regard to the official and working languages of WOSM and recommend which languages would be most beneficial to the Member Organizations for future World Events and WOSM communications;
 - evaluate the use of official and working languages in terms of their cost, benefit, and utility to both the Member Organizations and WOSM particularly with regards to:
 - ◆ the ability of NSOs to use and adapt WOSM's work in their national context
 - ◆ the partnership dynamics across Regions and NSOs
 - ◆ the potential of growth for worldwide Scouting
 - ◆ the needs of the most underrepresented NSOs
 - ◆ the principles of diversity and inclusion;
 - examine whether the current languages are optimal in number and variety to meet the current and future needs of WOSM;
 - suggests the World Scout Committee to utilise the findings of the task force to present a proposal with options to the World Scout Conference in 2020, recommending appropriate action.

2017-10 Environmental Sustainability Impact

The Conference,

- recognising that the Founder Robert Baden-Powell encouraged us in his last message to "leave this world a little better than you found it",

- recalling the principles and aims for environmental education in Scouting as reinforced in Conference Resolutions 1971-12, 1988-06, 1990-13, 1993-11, 2005-18, 2008-22,
- taking note of the United Nations 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to be achieved by 2030 and especially Goal 11 - Sustainable cities and communities, Goal 12 - Responsible consumption and production, Goal 13 - Climate Change, Goal 14 - Life Below Water, and Goal 15 - Life on Land,
- stressing the need for environmentally sustainable actions by WOSM, Member Organisations and all Scouts, in line with Conference Resolutions 1971-12, 1988-06, 1990-13, 1990-14 and 1993-12,
- calls upon Member Organizations to review and adopt policies which promote environmentally sustainable activities and practices within their organisations, in line with previous Conference Resolutions 1988-06, 1990-12 and 1993-13;
- requests the World Scout Committee to:
 - draft a vision for empowering young people through education to have a positive impact on the environment;
 - present a report to Member Organizations before the Resolution drafting period for the World Scout Conference in 2020 identifying key sustainability areas to focus on reducing the negative environmental impact of WOSM and research opportunities for achieving carbon neutrality in a Scouting context;
 - encourage all Scout Centres of Excellence for Nature and Environment (SCENES) to demonstrate best practices regarding environmental sustainability and implementation of the standards to motivate other scout facilities;
 - build on the progress achieved by the World Scout Committee in Triennium 2014-2017 by encouraging all Member Organizations and Regions to conduct environmentally sustainable meetings;
 - investigate WOSM's environmental impact;
- requests the World Scout Bureau to:
 - adapt the Guidelines for World Events to give increased focus on environmental sustainability of events as committed in Conference Resolutions 2005-20 and 2008-25.

2017-11 Review of World Scout Committee Size for Improved Efficiency, Accountability, and Effectiveness

The Conference,

- recognising the financial and logistical responsibilities placed on the World Scout Bureau to support the participation of numerous Voting, Ex-Officio, and Youth Advisors in World Scout Committee business,
- guided by the desire to promote and strengthen the principles of transparency, accountability, and efficient financial management within WOSM governing institutions,
- noting the potential improvements to organisational effectiveness, decision-making, and oversight inherent in a smaller, more efficient World Scout Committee,
- emphasising the necessity of efficiency within the World Scout Committee to reach WOSM's goal of good governance,
- calls upon the World Scout Committee to review the membership size and structure of the World Scout Committee for the most effective membership to carry out its responsibilities in an efficient manner;
- suggests that such a study focuses in particular on reducing administrative overhead, strengthening cohesion and transparency, and improving the World Scout Committee's ability to set the direction of scouting towards Vision 2023.

2017-12 Youth Advisor Functions and Responsibilities

The Conference,

- recognising that the youth members are of utmost priority in the Scouting Movement's mission and values,
- noting that the contributions of both young people and adults are important in

- successful Scout decision-making,
 - affirming the previous efforts of Conference Resolutions 2008-14 and 2014-09,
 - considering the role of the Youth Advisors as reviewed and approved by the World Scout Committee in Circular N° 5/2017,
 - discovering the general lack of clarity of Youth Advisors' objectives and expected outcomes by the end of their terms,
 - acknowledging that Youth Advisors are a means of youth involvement in the decision-making process,
 - emphasising the necessity to understand one's roles and responsibilities in order to guide progress and determine success,
 - further noting Chapter V, Article XIV of the WOSM Constitution: Functions of the World Scout Committee,
- requests the World Scout Committee, in partnership with the newly elected and former Youth Advisors, to,
 - develop a list of functions for Youth Advisors that improves upon and further specifies the defined role of the Youth Advisors stated in Circular N° 5/2017;
 - review the responsibilities to the World Scout Committee and to WOSM defined in the Role of the Youth Advisors;
- suggests that these functions and responsibilities of the Youth Advisors have clear accountability;
- asks that consideration is given for the Youth Advisors to present a more frequent report through which Scouts can stay informed with the progress of the Youth Advisors.

2017-13 Promotion of Jamboree-on-the-Air and Jamboree-on-the-Internet

The Conference,

- noting with satisfaction how Jamboree-on-the-Air and Jamboree-on-the-Internet encourage and promote the education of cultural-awareness, increased collaboration, and friendships with scouts of all ages throughout WOSM,
- emphasising the few pre-event resources, minimal annual budget, and decentralised preparation required to organise Jamboree-on-the-Air and Jamboree-on-the-Internet,
- recognising the success of Jamboree-on-the-Air and Jamboree-on-the-Internet in meeting the Vision 2023 Strategic Priority of Diversity and Inclusion by allowing scouts of all ages, backgrounds, and abilities to participate in international scouting events with few barriers to their attendance,
- recognising the change in communication technologies since the introduction of this event, and the widespread adoption and usage by youth of newer technologies to those currently used in the event,
- recognising the work of the digital engagement team to make use of the newer technology platforms to engage and create communication channels with the membership of WOSM in all Member Organisations,
- fully believing that Jamboree-on-the-Air and Jamboree-on-the-Internet could have a greater impact with additional support and awareness from WOSM and Member Organizations,
- applauds the progress of Jamboree-on-the-Air and Jamboree-on-the-Internet in promoting the values of Scouting and allowing scouts from all ages, nationalities, and socioeconomic backgrounds to participate in international scouting events;
- requests the World Scout Committee to further promote Jamboree-on-the-Air and Jamboree-on-the-Internet and aid National Scout Organizations in promoting and facilitating participation;
- requests the JOTA-JOTI Team to review the current channels to incorporate alternative communication platforms in the activities of Jamboree-on-the-Air and Jamboree-on-the-Internet in order to allow the usage of platforms that are more accessible and more commonly used by the youth membership;
- calls on Member Organizations to promote awareness and support of Jamboree-on-the-Air and Jamboree-on-the-Internet in their National Scout Organization(s).

2017-14 Bidding for Future Events – Code of Conduct

The Conference,

- acknowledging the basic principles of Scouting Values,
- stressing the importance of Conference Resolution 2008-25: Bidding for World Scout Events, and the need of implementation of this,
- remembering Conference Resolution 2005-15: Cost of World Events,
- highlighting the importance of a fair and equitable bidding process for World Scout Events and a fair and equal process for candidates to the World Scout Committee,
- taking into consideration the "World Events Bidders 2017 – Code of Conduct compliance",
- noting that the resources spent on campaigns from National Scout Organizations towards the acquiring of permission to host events have rapidly increased over the past years,
- requests the World Scout Committee to initiate the work to put forward clear guidelines for bids for World Events, which aims for the following:
 - ensuring a fair and transparent policy for future bidding processes;
 - ensuring a bidding process that is open and affordable for a larger number of Member Organizations;
 - ensuring sustainability of a bidding process so that an unsuccessful bidding does not put the bidding Member Organization itself in tremendous political and financial risks;
 - ensuring a bidding process of highest ethical standards that mitigates and minimises any reputational and legal risks for WOSM and its members;
 - ensuring that no undue diplomatic or governmental pressure be placed upon any Member Organizations;
 - requests that relevant new clear guidelines are in place before the campaigning process begins for future World Events;
 - encourages Member Organizations in the process of launching bids for future World Events to strictly adhere to the proposed guidelines;
 - encourages Member Organizations to report any non-compliance to these guidelines;
 - requests that, should a formal allegation of non-compliance with the Code be reported prior to the bid in question going to a vote, the World Scout Committee put in place a process for investigating and reporting it;
- requests that if, after the vote for the World Event, a bid be reported and found not to follow these guidelines then the results of the investigation are to be circulated to all WOSM Member Organizations and appropriate action to be taken.

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