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The IARU Administrative Council has asked the member societies to comment on a report that identifies issues related to the IARU organizational structure. The report was authored principally by the IARU Structural Review Committee, which completed its work prior to the meeting of the Administrative Council in Lillehammer last month. The report also includes related output from the Lillehammer Region 1 Conference.

A copy of the report is enclosed with this *Calendar*. Member societies are requested to give the report their immediate attention and to submit comments no later than the deadline of 22 March 2000.

New Caledonia Applies for IARU Membership

Association des Radio-Amateurs de Nouvelle-Caledonie (ARANC) has applied for membership in the IARU. The Directors and the Secretary of IARU Region 3 have examined the application in the light of the relevant provisions of the IARU Constitution and Bylaws, as well as of the relevant provisions of the Constitution of IARU Region 3. They have found the application to be in order and have made a favorable finding with respect to the qualifications of the applicant society.

Association des Radio-Amateurs de Nouvelle-Caledonie was established on July 25, 1961. ARANC reports that there are 130 licensed radio amateurs in the country, of whom 50 are active on radio regularly while the others pursue related information technology hobbies. ARANC has 32 members, 25 of whom are licensed to transmit.

The application for IARU membership is prompted in part by increased autonomy recently granted to New Caledonia, including the management of telecommunications and related licenses. The application is supported by REF-Union.

The officers include Jean Philippe Torregrossa, FK8FK, President; Michel Mahault, FK8GX, Vice President; Georges Totori, FK8FS, Secretary; Jean-Claude Jauneau, FK1UL, Treasurer; and Eric Esposito, FK8GM, International Liaison (e-mail esporic@canl.nc; tel/fax (687) 27-15-63). The official address is P.O. Box 3956, Nouméa 98847, NEW-CALEDONIA.

Therefore, in compliance with the Bylaws pertaining to applications for membership the following proposal is presented to member societies for consideration:

Proposal No. 231

The Secretary of IARU Region 3 has forwarded to the Administrative Council an application for IARU membership submitted by the Association des Radio-Amateurs de Nouvelle-Caledonie. The Directors and Secretary of Region 3 have examined the application and have found it to be

in order, and so have made a favorable finding with regard to the application. Therefore, in accordance with Bylaw 3, it is proposed that the

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be elected to membership. A vote sheet for Proposal 231 and a return envelope are enclosed. The closing date for receipt by the International Secretariat of ballots on this proposal is five months from the date of issuance of this *Calendar*, or **22 March 2000**.

IARU Council Meets in Lillehammer

Following the successful IARU Region 1 Conference held in Lillehammer, Norway, 19-24 September, the IARU Administrative Council met for three days, 26-28 September, in the same location. As usual, the final order of business for the Council was the preparation of the enclosed news release summarizing the results of its meeting. The news release was posted to the IARU Web site, www.iaru.org, as quickly as possible after the meeting. In the future, the International Secretariat will endeavor to distribute such releases to member societies by electronic mail.

The Summary Record of the meeting is in preparation and will be distributed as soon as it is ready.

IARU Represented at TELECOM-99

The IARU was represented in two important ways at TELECOM-99, the world's largest telecommunications exposition, held on 9-17 October in Geneva. Through the courtesy of the ITU, space was made available free of charge for an IARU stand in the exhibition hall. A team consisting of Nasser Al Rawahi, A41KG, Tafa Diop, 6W1KI, Hans Ehlers, DF5UG, Reinaldo Leandro, YV5AMH, Larry Price, W4RA, Paul Rinaldo, W4RI, and Geneva-area amateurs greeted visitors to the stand and distributed commemorative lapel pins and IARU literature. The ITU sponsors a Forum as a complementary activity to the TELECOM. President Price was an invited panelist for a Forum session entitled "Telecommunications in the Service of Humanitarian Assistance."

Two regional TELECOMs will take place during 2000. Americas TELECOM 2000 will take place in Rio de Janeiro, 10-15 April. TELECOM Asia 2000 will be held in Hong Kong, 4-9 December. IARU representation at regional TELECOMs is a responsibility of the regional organizations. Regions 2 and 3 are both hard at work on preparations.

QSL Bureau Address Changes

The ARRL announces the following changes of address for its call area incoming QSL bureaus. The W9 incoming QSL bureau, sponsored by the Northern Illinois DX Association, has moved from Woodstock to Glenview. The new address is:

W9 Incoming QSL Bureau / NIDXA
PO Box 273
Glenview, IL 60025-0273
USA

In addition, please update the address of the KH6-7 QSL bureau as follows:

KH6-7 Incoming QSL Bureau
PO Box 860788
Wahiawa, HI 96786-0788
USA

Sincerely,

David Sumner, K1ZZ
Secretary

Enclosures: *Review of the IARU Organizational Structure, 22 October 1999*
Vote sheet and return envelope for Proposal 231
News release, IARU Administrative Council, 28 September 1999