

Meeting of the Bureau

Frankfurt, 7-8 April 1979

Participants: MOROLLI, LIPPENS, SERRES, ZRUBEC, BERGMAN

Guests: BAYEE, DE LA FERTE', PEETERS, DE DONCKER

Abstents: KATCHINSKI, DAHLVIG, MANNHARD (all justified)

1. Introduction.

Mr. Lippens welcomes the participants on behalf of the German Thematic Association. Mr. Morolli thanks Mr. Lippens for the perfect organisation of the meeting.

2. Organisation of the Commission.

The President regrets that the problem of the Secretary has not been solved because the candidate has asked the refund of the travelling expenses; he will discuss this matter with dr. Stibbe.

3. BRASILIANA 79.

Mr. Morolli is planning a trip to Brasil very soon. At present there are very different opinions about the future of the exhibition; for its success it is necessary to get free transportation of the European collections .

4. Bibliography.

Mr. Dahlvig has prepared, together with Mr. Morolli, a form which will be circulated among some delegates, just to start the preparation of the list; afterwards it will be sent to all the delegates.

5. PHILASERDICA 79.

A meeting of the Commission (informal) could take place on Mai 24th, Hotel Vitoscha.

6. Requests from Mr. Obregon.

A letter sent by Mr. Obregon (Mexico) is discussed; it concerns mainly the writing of the class on the medal awarded at international exhibitions (but it is pointed out that it is not a "must" for the organizers) and the level of silver as entry level to an international exhibition. Mr. Morolli will answer this letter.

7. Detrimental issues.

Mr. Peeters has prepared a document which is discussed together with the proposals from other Commissions. The members of the Bureau agree that this problem, which is not concerning only our Commission but the whole philatelic environment, cannot be solved with new lists but with a complete different approach. The application of the Thematic Regulations (with more emphasis on philatelic knowledge and rarity) has helped to control and reduce the number of these issues in our collections. The results of the discussion will be the subject of a report to Dr. Stibbe.

8. Thematic Groups.

The new update of the list is circulated by Dr. Bergman.

9. Comments to the Regulations.

The main part of the meeting is devoted to the analysis of the proposals received by the experts appointed by Dr. Morolli. Each participant gives his own contribution to the discussion which leads to the preparation of a paper (not of new Comments) which addresses the normal collector rather than the exhibitor. The possibility of preparing a book about thematic philately, suggested by Dr. Lippens, is also considered.

(Report based on a memo of J. Peeters and personal notes of the President).