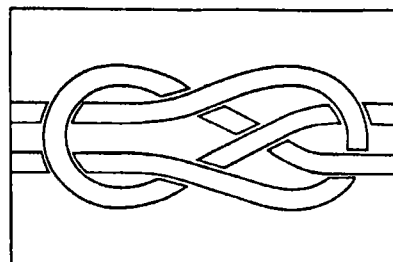

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AGENDA FOR THE NINETEENTH SESSION OF THE FIAV GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO BE CONVENED AUGUST 1, 2005 BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA

It is the responsibility of each FIAV Member to forward a copy of this agenda to the person who will serve as the Member's delegate to the General Assembly.

Note: On July 23, 2001, the General Assembly at its Seventeenth Session in York, England, United Kingdom, adopted *Bourinot's Rules of Order* (ISBN 0-7710-8336-X) on a permanent basis.

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 - (i) President
 - (ii) Secretary-General
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Note: See http://www.flaggenkunde.de/flagberlin2007/flagberlin2007_e.htm for information

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 - (b) Secretary-General
 - (c) Secretary-General for Congresses
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Charles Spain
 FIAV Secretary-General
 Houston, July 5, 2005

COMMENTS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AGENDA

Item 2: Every FIAV Member is **strongly** encouraged to appoint a delegate and alternate to represent it in Buenos Aires. If no person from a FIAV Member is able to come to Buenos Aires, that FIAV Member is **strongly** encouraged to appoint as its delegate either the delegate of another FIAV Member or one of the three FIAV Officers.

Credentials should be brought to Buenos Aires. If at all possible, credentials should be on the Member's official stationery.

The suggested form of written credentials is as follows:

To the President of the Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques:

[Choose one of following two paragraphs:]

[Name of FIAV Member association or institution] appoints [name of person (and alternate, if desired)], who is a member of [name of FIAV Member association or institution], as its delegate to the Nineteenth Session of the FIAV General Assembly, to be convened August 1, 2005, in Buenos Aires, Argentina. [or]

[Name of FIAV Member association or institution] regrets that none of its members is able to attend the Nineteenth Session of the FIAV General Assembly, to be convened August 1, 2005, in Buenos Aires, Argentina. [Name of FIAV Member association or institution] therefore names as its delegate to the General Assembly [name of person], who is also the delegate of [name of other FIAV Member association or institution] [or] who is also the FIAV President [or] Secretary-General [or] Secretary-General for Congresses.

[Delegate's name] has full powers to act on behalf of [name of FIAV Member association or institution] during the Nineteenth Session of the General Assembly [or] The powers of [delegate's name] to act on behalf of [name of FIAV Member association or institution] during the Nineteenth Session of the General Assembly are limited as follows: [describe].

[signature of authorized representative of FIAV Member association or institution]
 [printed name]
 [title]
 [date]
 [seal (optional)]

Item 6: The Board will present both oral and written reports in Buenos Aires.

Item 7: The Board has not received any formal proposals to organize ICV 23 (2009) or ICV 24 (2011). The President, Michel R. Lupant, Secretary-General, Charles A. Spain, Jr., and Secretary-General for Congresses, Graham Bartram, announce their intention to stand for re-election.

Item 9: The Board has summarized the membership applications as they relate to the criteria set out in article 7(c) of the FIAV Constitution as follows:

Candidate name	Constitution	Interest in vexillology; Activities	Dues-paying members	Registration at past ICVs	Existence since	Representative at Buenos Aires
NZFIT	trust deed	principal; develop and maintain interest in NZ national flag, promote understanding of NZ national flag by providing educational resources to schools, encourage and promote display of NZ national flag, promote education in vexillology, undertake research into history and symbolism of NZ flags and vexillology generally, and encourage publication of popular and scholarly works concerning the above	15	no	2004	unknown
AVS	unknown	subsidiary; maintains website venezimbo.l.s 4u.org; inventory and research Venezuelan national, state, and municipal symbols for eventual publication of a "Symbolological History of Venezuela," a chapter of which will be devoted to vexillology	44 (unclear if paid)	yes	2001	yes

The Board has not made any recommendations concerning candidates for membership at this time.

Item 13: The Board continues to believe FIAV should do whatever is necessary to ensure that the proceedings of all International Congresses of Vexillology are published. The following proceedings are still unpublished or only partially published:

ICV 5	1973	London, United Kingdom	FI
ICV 9	1981	Ottawa, Canada	FRC, Heraldry Society of Canada, NAVA
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ICV 19	2001	York, England, United Kingdom	FI

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ICV 9: All but 1 article has been published in *The Flag Bulletin*. NAVA has agreed to assist FRC in producing an index of the published and unpublished articles.

ICV 16: CFZ has produced a CD-ROM containing some of the papers. CFZ has requested that the remaining authors furnish it with an electronic version of their papers so that as many of the papers as possible can be included in a CD-ROM version of the proceedings. PTW and FDC have been asked to assist CFZ in completing the proceedings.

ICV 19: FI has said it is working diligently to publish the proceedings in CD-ROM form.

Item 10: The Board recommends the removal of VDCN as a Member due to Derkwillem Visser, Jr.'s death on November 24, 2001. Since that time, VDCN has ceased to exist. This is essentially the same situation that occurred when the General Assembly removed Wappen-Herold, Deutsche Heraldische Gesellschaft e.V. (WH) as a Member in 1995 because of Ottfried Neubecker's death in 1992.

Item 14: The Board continues to be extremely concerned by the disappearance of the FIAV Congress flag sometime after the closing luncheon of ICV 18 (Victoria, British Columbia, Canada 1999) and before the opening ceremonies of ICV 19 (York, England, United Kingdom 2001). This flag was presented to FIAV at the Second International Congress of Vexillology (Zürich, Switzerland 1967). So far, no commitment has been made to FIAV by the ICV 18 and 19 organizers to find the flag or replace it.

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**MINUTES OF THE EIGHTEENTH SESSION OF THE FIAV GENERAL ASSEMBLY
JULY 28, 2003
STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN**

Summary:

- GA 17 minutes approved as amended
- FHF, RCVH, and SVI admitted as Full Members
- CIDEC selected to organize ICV 21 in 2005 in Buenos Aires, Argentina
- March written for—and dedicated to—FIAV
- DGF selected to organize ICV 22 in 2007 in Berlin, Germany
- Current Board re-elected
- Laureate of the Federation bestowed on Scot. M. Guenter
- Fellows of the Federation presented to Ralph G. C. Bartlett, Bruce B. Berry, Hugh Boudin, William G. Crampton, Emil Dreyer, Louis Mühlemann, Otfried Neubecker, and Klaes Sierksma
- Vexillon Award presented to Alfred Znamierowski

Note: Pursuant to a July 23, 2001 decision of the General Assembly at its Seventeenth Session in York, England, United Kingdom, the General Assembly used *Bourinot's Rules of Order* (ISBN 0-7710-8336-X) as its parliamentary authority.

1. Call to order by President; official opening of the Eighteenth Session The President called the meeting to order on July 28, 2003, at 5:30 p.m. and officially opened the Eighteenth Session of the General Assembly of the Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques.

2. Verification by the President of written credentials of delegates from FIAV Members The President verified the written credentials of the following FIAV Members and Applicants (LF = Laureate of the Federation, FF = Fellow of the Federation):

AAV	Gustav Tracchia
ACV	Sebastiá Herreros i Agüí
ARV (applicant)	Alain Raullet
BDA	Kevin Harrington
CFA	Kevin Harrington
CEBED	Rudi Longueville
CISV	Roberto Breschi
CFZ	Władysław Serwatowski
CSVA	Philippe Rault
DGF	Andreas Herzfeld
FDC	Alfred Znamierowski FF
FHF (applicant)	Whitney Smith LF, FF
FI	Ian Sumner
FRC	Whitney Smith LF, FF
FRCSL	Charles Spain
FSA	Anthony Burton
FOTW	Rob Raeside
CIDEC	Gustav Tracchia
GWAV	John Purcell

IHW	Alfred Znamierowski FF
KVV	Alain Raullet
MZT	Gerd Vehres
NFF	Edward Kaye
NVvV	Mariska Pool
NZFA	John Moody
JAVA	Nozomi Kariyasu
NF	Michael Krag–Juel–Vind–Frijs
NAVA	Mason Kaye
PTW	Władysław Serwatowski
RCVH (applicant)	Victor Lomantsov
SSV	Emil Dreyer
SEV	José Alegría Díaz
SVB	Robert Baert
SGHAPG	Michel Lupant
SRV	Michel Lupant
SFV	Alain Raullet
SAVA	Bruce Berry
SVI (applicant)	Michel Lupant
UHT	Andriy Grechylo
VAST	Charles Spain
VK	Aleš Brozek
WVRI	Aleš Brozek

3. Roll call of delegates; recognition of quorum by Secretary–General; declaration by President that the Eighteenth Session of the General Assembly is constituted

The SG called the roll as follows:

Members present (38): AAV; ACV; BDA; CFA; CEBED; CISV; CFZ; CSVA; DGF; FDC; FI; FRC; FRCSL; FSA; FOTW; CIDEK; GWAV; IHW; KVV; MZT; NFF; NVvV; NZFA; JAVA; NF; NAVA; PTW; SSV; SEV; SVB; SGHAPG; SRV; SFV; SAVA; UHT; VAST; VK; and WVRI.

Members absent (10): CBFA; HS; HVK; HAVSOM; MBV; NEVA; PH; TWMF; VSHS; and VDCN. [Note: Walt Jurečič later informed the SG that Mr. Walt Jurečič was the delegate for HS, but was unable to get into the building to attend the General Assembly Session.]

Officers present (3): Michel R. Lupant, President; Charles A. Spain, Jr., Secretary–General (SG); and Graham M.P. Bartram, Secretary–General for Congresses (SGC).

The SG determined that 38 of the 48 Members were present, which satisfied the constitutional requirement that delegates of at least half of the Members be present. The SG recognized the presence of a quorum, and the President declared that the Eighteenth Session of the General Assembly was properly constituted.

Because the representatives of 38 Members and 3 Officers were present for a total of 41 possible votes, the SG reminded the General Assembly that a simple majority vote would require 21 votes and a two–thirds majority vote would require 28 votes, as long as the persons authorized to exercise the 41 possible votes remained present.

4. Appointment by President of tellers to count votes The President appointed Ron Strachan and Ralph Bartram as tellers to count votes.

5. Approval of the minutes of the Seventeenth Session of the General Assembly held July 23, 2001 in York,

England, United Kingdom Moved by the SG, seconded by AAV, "That the minutes of the Seventeen Session of the General Assembly, as published in *Info-FIAV* number 19, August 2001, be approved." Moved by the SG, seconded by AAV, "That motion be amended to reflect the following corrections to the minutes of the Seventeen Session of the General Assembly, as published in *Info-FIAV* number 19, August 2001: (1) page 2, line 31, change from 'Gustac Tracchia' to 'Gustav Tracchia' and (2) page 11, lines 45 and 46, change from "That the Board's proposal to name persons as 'Fellows of the Federation' be adopted." to "That the Board's proposal to name persons as 'Fellows of the Federation' and delegate to the Board the authority to name persons as 'Laureates of the Federation' be adopted." Motion to amend passed by simple majority. Amended motion passed by two-thirds majority.

6. Reports by the Board:

(a) President. Michel Lupant—The President expressed his wish that the discussions in the General Assembly would be plain, short, and respectful. He reminded delegates of the requirement that a motion be seconded.

The President thanked the SG and SGC for their work. He remarked that the Board worked by consensus in a very collegial manner, even in instances in which the Board members did not initially agree on a particular issue. He reported that he has promoted FIAV in his travels to 18 countries since the Nineteenth Congress of Vexillology in York (2001) and he received an especially warm reception from the Magyarországi Zászló Társaság.

On the subject of potential FIAV Members, the President reported that the Asociación Venezolana de Simbología was unable to participate this year due to political and economic problems. He also reported that FIAV has not had communications in the last two years with the Academia Mejicana de Genealogía y Heráldica and the Flag Society of Pakistan. He has corresponded with vexillologists in China, Croatia, Israel, Slovakia, and South Korea, but none of them have any current plans to establish a vexillological association or institute.

In multiple languages, the President conveyed his wish for a successful Eighteenth Session of the General Assembly and welcomed everyone to the City of Stockholm.

(b) Secretary-General. Charles Spain—The SG expressed his appreciation for the hard work of the President and the SGC. He pointed out that the Officers do not always initially agree with each other, but that the cordial and collegial nature of their relationship has always led to consensus decisions with which each Officer has been comfortable.

The SG thanked Jon Radel for both Mr. Radel's generosity in hosting the Internet domain www.fiaf.org and providing e-mail addresses for the FIAV Officers, as well as having the foresight to reserve the domain in the first place. The SG acknowledged that the FIAV website authorized by the Sixteenth Session of the General Assembly had not yet been established due in part to lack of funds, but expressed his desire to achieve that goal in the near future. He thanked CEBED, CIDEDEC, NVvV, NF, NAVA, SAVA, SEV, and SAVA for generously sending the SG complimentary copies of their publications.

The SG reported that two issues of *Info-FIAV* (numbers 19 and 20) were produced and mailed in the last two years. He noted that the amount of correspondence he received in the past two years was small, which he hoped was due to the fact that people were generally pleased with the direction the Board and FIAV have taken in recent years. The SG noted that the two issues of *Info-FIAV* cost US\$521.37 (photocopying US\$189.00 [donated; 2,700 pages at US\$0.07 per page] and postage US\$332.37), averaging approximately US\$5.21 for each individual copy mailed to Members. His out-of-pocket expenses for 2001–2003 were US\$402.37, consisting of US\$332.37 for two issues of *Info-FIAV* and US\$70.00 for registering the Internet domain www.fiaf.org for two years. These expenses were less than his 1999–2001 expenses of US\$745.03.

The SC noted the resignation of USFF as a FIAV Member, effective April 28, 2003, the date the letter of resignation was received by the President, pursuant to Article 8 of the FIAV Constitution. With USFF's resignation, the total number of FIAV Members was 48.

(c) Secretary-General for Congresses. Graham Bartram—The SGC first thanked the President and SG for their assistance and second the hosts who have volunteered to organize the International Congresses of Vexillology. He especially thanked Mr. Michael Krag-Juel-Vind-Frijs and the other hosts working with NF for their very organized efforts on the current Congress.

The SGC noted that the European Union has dared to interfere with FIAV politics. With Malta's decision to join the European Union, Malta's ambassador to The Netherlands, His Excellency Adrian Strickland, has found himself in the position of having to choose between pursuing HAVSOM's commitment to organizing the Twenty-First International Congress of Vexillology (Valletta, Malta 2005) and fulfilling his duties to his country's diplomatic corps when Malta assumes leadership responsibilities in the European Union in 2005. Understandably, HAVSOM reluctantly withdrew as the 2005 Congress organizer. The SGC reported that fortunately two FIAV Members, CIDEDEC and IHW, have volunteered to step into the breach, and he thanked them for doing so on such short notice.

7. Announcements:

(a) proposals to organize ICV 21 (2005). CIDEDEC announced its intention to organize a Congress in Buenos Aires, Argentina. IHW announced its intention to organize a Congress in Kraków, Poland.

(b) proposals to organize ICV 22 (2007). DGF announced its interest to organize a Congress in Berlin, Germany.

(c) proposals to organize ICV 23 (2009). No proposals received.

(d) applicants for FIAV membership (arranged in order membership applications were received):

(i) Flag Heritage Foundation (FHF) (received 20 Jan 2003). Representative present.

(ii) Association Réunionnaise de Vexillologie (ARV) (received 21 Jan 2003). Representative present.

(iii) Российский Центр флаговедения и геральдики/Russian Centre of Vexillology and Heraldry (RCVH) (received 23 Jan 2003). Representative present.

(iv) Středisko vexilologických informací/Flag Data Centre (SVI) (received 27 Jan 2003). Representative present.

(e) candidates for the FIAV Board

(i) President. Michel Lupant announced his candidacy for re-election.

(ii) Secretary-General. Charles Spain announced his candidacy for re-election.

(iii) Secretary-General for Congresses. Graham Bartram announced his candidacy for re-election.

8. **Report on ICV 21** No report presented due to withdrawal of HAVSOM as organizer.

9. **Consideration of applicants for membership:**

(a) FHF

(b) ARV

(c) RCVH

(d) SVI

The President reminded the applicants that new Members may vote only after all applicants for membership have been considered.

The Board recommended the admission of all 4 applicants.

Moved by SG, seconded by SGC, "That FHF, ARV, RCVH, and SVI be admitted as Members."

There was general discussion concerning the candidacies of FHF, RCVH, and SCV. In the discussion of the candidacy of ARV, specific concerns were raised whether ARV was primarily political in nature as it supports the adoption of a local flag for Réunion. Specific concerns were also raised (1) whether ARV was viable after a local Réunion flag was adopted and (2) that ARV had not published a newsletter and no local member of ARV was present at the General Assembly Session.

Moved by SSV, seconded by SAVA, "That the motion be amended to vote on each applicant." Passed by simple majority.

FHF—Vote to admit as Member passed by two-thirds majority.

ARV—Vote to admit as Member failed.

RCVH—Vote to admit as Member passed by two-thirds majority.

SVI—Vote to admit as Member passed by two-thirds majority.

The President recognized FHF's, RCVH's, and SVI's delegates, and they were given seats in the General Assembly. As a result, the number of Members present increased from 38 to 41 (3 Officers were still present). With the admission of these 3 new Members, a simple majority vote now required 23 votes and a two-thirds majority vote required 30 votes, as long as the persons authorized to exercise the 44 possible votes remained present.

10. **Selection of ICV 21 (2005) organizer** Moved by CIDEAC, seconded by FSA, "That CIDEAC and AAV organize the Twentieth-First International Congress of Vexillology in Buenos Aires, Argentina." Moved by IHW, "That IHW organize the Twentieth-First International Congress of Vexillology in Kraków, Poland." Even though there was no second of IHW's motion and it technically was not before the General Assembly, there was a discussion about the both venues, including the economic difficulty of providing simultaneous translation of presentations. CIDEAC's motion passed by two-thirds majority. No vote on IHW's motion as it was moot.

11. **Selection of ICV 22 (2007) organizer** Moved by DGH, seconded by SGC, "That DGH organize the Twentieth-Second International Congress of Vexillology in Berlin, Germany." Passed by two-thirds majority.

12. **Discussion about ICV 23 (2009) organizer** The item was not discussed because no one had made a proposal to organize the Congress.

13. **Discussion about publication of ICV proceedings in general and specific status of proceedings from:**

ICV 5	1973	London, United Kingdom	FI
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ICV 16	1995	Warszawa, Poland	CFZ, FDC, PTW
ICV 19	2001	York, England, United Kingdom	FI

The Board again expressed its belief that FIAV should do whatever is necessary to ensure that the proceedings from International Congress of Vexillology are published and that this issue continue to be discussed until a resolution is reached.

ICV 5: FI reported that all but 3 of the papers have been published in *The Flag Bulletin* and that FI is working with FRC to produce an index of the published and unpublished articles. If the back issues of *The Flag Bulletin* containing the ICV 5 papers are no longer available for purchase, FI has discussed with FRC the possibility of reprinting the ICV 5 papers in either a special issue of *The Flag Bulletin* or a FI publication. FI and FRC indicated that the index would be made available later in 2003.

ICV 9: All but one article has been published in *The Flag Bulletin*. NAVA agreed to assist FRC in producing

