## POSTAL STATIONERY COMMISSION

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- Names and Addresses of the Commission Members
- Postal Stationery Commission meeting in Seoul

Message from the Commission President.

## Dear Colleagues,

Once again we are preparing for a Commission meeting in Asia, this time in Seoul on Wednesday 24th August 1994. Naturally we hope as many people as possible will attend and a pro-forma for your use is attached to this Newsletter.

An important item of business will be the planning of the Seminar which is scheduled to take place during FINLANDIA'95, on Saturday 13 May 1995.

Clearly this exhibition which will concentrate on postal history and postal stationery will represent a major opportunity for collectors and exhibitors to get together and we anticipate a high level of interest.

Unfortunately I have to give you the sad news that Christian Sundman died very suddenly on 5th April 1994. An outstanding philatelist with a fabulous collection of Finland including a truly superb postal stationery section he will be greatly missed not only in his native Finland but also by his many philatelic friends throughout the world.

On a more positive note Albania has nominated Rudolf Nossi to be their Commission Delegate and Armenia and Nepal are in the process of producing nominations.

Finally Ernesto Fink who has represented Mexico has had to stand down for medical reasons and Ignacio Esteva has been nominated to be his successor.

## Alan Huggins Commission President

## Report to sixty-third FIP Congress in Seoul.

At the time writing only a relative short time has elapsed since the previous Congress in Bangkok and thus there is not a lot of additional activity to report.

The membership of the Commission has been extended by the addition of a Delegate from Albania, and Armenia and Nepal are in the process of nominating Delegates.

A further issue of the Commission Newsletter has been sent out and continues to prove to be an effective way of distributing information to members.

Work continues on the range of projects initiated by the Commission and we will be considering the programme for the Seminar to be held in Helsinki on the 13th May 1995 when the Commission meets in Seoul.

## Alan Huggins Commission President.

## <u>Chile Postal Stationery.</u> Reported by Derek Palmer

The only items of postal stationery issued by Chile are aerogrammes, and quite recently six new ones, with illustrations of views of different places of interest in this country have been placed on sale.

Details of these new items were published in our magazine CHILE FILATELICO which appeared a few days ago (Report dated April 20th 1994).

# INPEX-93, Indian National Exhibition. Reported by A Singhee

Our National Philatelic Exhibition, INPEX-93, was held in Calcutta from December 25 to 29, 1993. The results for Postal Stationery exhibits were as under:

P. Gupta India

A. R. Singhee	Indian Feudatory States	Inv	itee	class
Dhananjay Desai	India	LV	85	points
E. P. James	Cochin, Travancore & TC.	S	72	points
Hervinder Singh	India	SB	67	points
J.P.Singh	USA	SB	65	points
Urmila Kumari Ahluwalia (Youth)	India mint	В	62	points
Sudip Chandra (Youth)	Stationary charge on Indian Envelopes	В	60	points
Mira Davi Jain	100 years of Indian postcard	В	60	points
Naresh Goyal	India	В	60	points
Omi Bagadiya	Gems in PS	В	60	points
Sathi Veerchandra Menon	Indian Convention States	В	60	points
Anjali Sharma	India QV & KEVII	CP	58	points
K.C.Sundrarajan	India	CP	51	points

The reports of exhibition results of Polska'93, Brasiliana 93 and Bangkok'93 have missed the details of Postal Stationery Exhibits displayed in the FIP Championship Class. Incidently, I may mention that my 'Indian Feudatory States PS' exhibit had secured a Large Gold with Special Prize for the quality of the material at Bangkok'93. The special prize was missed in the report.

## The Secretary's page.

### Dear colleagues!

In Newsletter no. 1-1994, I suggested that the Commission Members from the countries starting with A, B and C submitted a report to the Newsletter on the status of the collecting of postal stationery in their countries.

As it appears from this Newsletter has my suggestion only given very little response!! Even though I will take the chance once more, in the hope of a better result, and suggest that Commission Members from countries starting with the letters from A to G will send a status report to the Newsletter.

Besides that, I hope that you all will continue to send information national activities, reviews on new literature on Postal Stationery and related areas, exhibition results (national and regional), striking auction results etc etc.

All contributions in English, French, German, Italian, Spanish and the Scandinavian languages are welcome. Other languages will not be practical, as the Bureau has no translators.

Remember the Postal Stationery Seminar in Helsinki on Saturday, May 13th 1995. The idea is to have a presentation on the collecting, exhibiting and judging of Postal Stationery. There will also be a short meeting of any Postal Stationery Commission members present.

As it looks now the Seminar commences at 10.00 pm and finishes about 4.00 pm with a break for lunch of one hour.

Remember to send your contribution to the next Newsletter allready to-day, to

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Review: Cyprus Postal Stationery 1880 - 1992. Reviewed by Alan Huggins.

Cyprus Postal Stationery 1880-1992 by Alexander C. Ioannides and Christopher J. Podger; ISBN 0-9638547-0-4; Library of Congress Catalog Card number 93-094194. Published by the Authors; Printed by Comet Press, Littleton, Colorado, USA. pp 185 (1993).

Alexander Ioannides and Christopher Podger are to be warmly congratulated on producing what must rank as the definitive listing of the postal stationery of Cyprus.

Designed as a handbook/catalogue it covers the four classes of postal stationery issued for use in Cyprus- postcards, registered envelopes, newspaper wrappers and air letters in considerable detail, a special point being that an illustration of each item listed is included.

Appendices devoted to extracts from the Cyprus Gazette provide useful confirmation of the release dates etc. of many items, and information from the Crown Agents records details the numbers ordered while that from D La Rue day books gives the numbers actually delivered.

A rating system is employed throughout the listings with relative scarity being placed on a scale of 1 - 10 plus R, RR and RRR indicating the rarest items.

For anyone seeking a country to sample the interests, joys and tribulations of collecting postal stationery for the first time, Cyprus provides an excellent, if somewhat popular opportunity combining as it does a forerunner period when British postal stationery was used, first unoverprinted, and specially overprinted, followed by a colonial period and then a post independence period.

Alltogether a fine publication which should be in the libraries of both collectors of Cyprus, and those of postal stationery.

GABRA III.

Reported by G Schild.

GABRA III, which takes place in Burgdorf, 23 - 25 September 1994 is an exhibition with 500 frames, dedicated to Postal Stationery and Covers.

No judging will take place, as many collectors are afraid of being misjudged, but discussions will take place at the frames.

The Schwiss Postal Stationery Society has just issued a multicolor folder which presents the Society, and the Society also has it's own periodical "Der Ganzsachensammler"

Further information can be obtained at Mr. Schild.

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#### POSTAL STATIONERY COMMISSION

### NOTICE OF 1994 COMMISSION MEETING

The annual meeting of the FIP POstal Stationery Commission will take place on Wednesday 24th August 1994 during PHILAKOREA. The exact location will be indicated at the Exhibition.

## AGENDA

- 1. Roll Call of Delegates; approval of Proxies; apologies for absence.
- 2. Approval of Minutes of the meeting held on 9 October 1993 in Bangkok (previously circulated).
- 3. Commission Membership and Constitution.

To report the following changes and additions:-

ALBANIA Rudolf Nossi nominated as Commission Delegate.

ARMENIA Delegate nomination awaited.

MEXICO Ignacio Esteva nominated as Commission Delegate in succession to Ernesto Fink.

NEPAL Delegate nomination awaited.

4. Bureau Membership and COnstitution.

To report that the following nomination has been received for the vacancy vice John Fluck.

URUGUAY Cesar Jones.

- 5. Reports on Current Projects.
- 6. Helsinki Seminar.

To consider the format and arrangements for the Seminar sceduled to be held on 13th May 1995 in Helsinki during FINLANDIA'95.

- 7. Reports on National Activities.
- 8. Future Work Programme.
- 9. Any Other Business.

Alan Huggins
Commission President
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