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1. Collection Policy Booklet

Please find enclosed with this Newsletter a copy of a booklet entitled *Guidelines for a Collection Development Policy* or (French version) *Grandes Lignes Directrices d'une Politique Documentaire de Développement des Collections*. The Standing Committee hopes that this publication will of use to A&CD Section members. Additional copies are available free on request to the Secretary, and the text is also available on IFLANET at <http://www.ifla.org/VII/s14>.

2. Elections to A&CD Standing Committee

The excellent result of the elections to the A&CD Standing Committee for 2001-2005 is that we retain a full complement of twenty members. The seven new names are:

John Byford, The British Library, UK

Rosa García Blanco, Biblioteca de Andalucía, Spain

Christine Girard, Aquitaine Institut Universitaire de Informationdes Mailies, France

Susan Nutter, North Carolina State University, USA

Lynn Sipe, University of Southern California, USA

Irina Skorikova, Russian National Public Library for Science and Technology, Russia

Pentti Vattulainen, National Repository Library, Finland

The members who will be stepping down, and who will be sorely missed, are:

Dora Biblarz, Anatoly Brovkin, Merrill Distad, Joe Hewitt, Jim Vickery, Anneli Virtanen and

Sara Yontan

The full Committee from August 2001 is therefore:

IFLA Section on Acquisition and Collection Development Standing Committee members		
	leaving date	
	earliest	latest
1997-2001: second term		
Dora Biblarz, USA	2001	2001
Joe Hewitt, USA	2001	2001
Jim Vickery, UK	2001	2001
Anneli Virtanen, Finland	2001	2001
1997-2001: first term only		
Anatolyi Brovkin, Ukraine	2001	2001
Merrill Distad, Canada	2001	2001
Sara Yontan Musnik, France	2001	2001
1999-2003: first term		
Trix Bakker, Netherlands	2003	2007
Nancy Davenport, USA	2003	2007
Doina Farkas, USA	2003	2007
Sook-Hyeun Lee, Korea	2003	2007
Montserrat Oliván Plazaola, Spain	2003	2007
1999-2003: second term		
Masaki Nasu, Japan	2003	2003
Ann Okerson, USA	2003	2003
Marie-Joëlle Tarin, France	2003	2003

2001-2005: second term		
Tatiana Afanasieva, Russia	2001	2005
Christina Friström, Sweden	2001	2005
Rolf Griebel, Germany	2001	2005
Alexei Romanov, Russia	2001	2005
Liv Rustviken, Norway	2001	2005
2001-2005: first term		
John Byford, UK	2005	2009
Rosa García Blanco, Spain	2005	2009
Christine Girard, France	2005	2009
Susan Nutter, USA	2005	2009
Lynn Sipe, USA	2005	2009
Irina Skorikova, Russia	2005	2009
Pentti Vattulainen, Finland	2005	2009

Also, for information, several associations and institutions have chosen to become new members of the A&CD Section :

African Books and Arts
 Biblioteca del Congreso de la Republica del Peru
 BIBSYS
 Central Library and Documentation Centre, Mashhad, Iran
 Oxford University Library Services
 Sarawak National Library
 Vlaams Centrum voor Openbare Bibliotheken

3. Annual Report for 1999/2000

Annual Report of the IFLA Section on Acquisition and Collection Development, 1 September 1999 to 31 August 2000

1. Scope of the Section

The Section on Acquisition and Collection Development concerns itself extensively with methodological and topical themes pertaining to the various methods used for acquiring materials (purchase, exchange, gift, deposit), de-acquisitions and weeding, techniques used for determining collection development policies, collection assessment and practices, materials pricing issues, and librarians' relations with publishers and vendors.

Also of concern to the Section are the impact and application of technological developments which underlie many of the changes observed in departmental workflow, and partnering arrangements when acquiring materials (such as electronic data interchange, materials licensing agreements, and co-operative collection development).

2. Membership and Officers

2.1

As of 1 August 2000 there were 152 members of the Section. The Standing Committee in 1999/2000 consisted of 20 members and 5 corresponding members or observers.

2.2

The Chairman and Financial Officer during the year was Ms Sara Yontan, (Conservateur, Bibliothèque nationale de France, Quai François Mauriac, 75706 PARIS Cedex 13 France. Tel *(33)(1)53795278; Fax *(33)(1)53795180; email sara.yontan@bnf.fr)

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3. Meetings and events

3.1 Jerusalem, 2000

3.1.1 Standing Committee

The Standing Committee met twice at the Jerusalem Conference in August 2000 to undertake routine business and prepare for the Section's activities.

The main points discussed at Jerusalem were:

- the future of the *Acquisition and Collection Development Bibliography*
- the *Collection Development Policy Guidelines*
- the ubiquity of electronic and digital themes
- the reconstitution of the Publisher Liaison Committee as the Publishers Relations Advisory Committee
- the new Discussion Group on Repository Libraries.

3.1.2

A&CD Section Open Programme

The Section's Open Programme on *Models for Acquiring Electronic Resources* took place on 15 August 2000, with simultaneous interpretation.

Standing Committee member Nancy Davenport acted as moderator. There were two excellent presentations:

Libraries without resources: towards personal collections, by J.S.M. Savenije and Natalia Grygierczyk (Utrecht University, Utrecht, Netherlands)

Some consortial models for acquiring electronic resources in Germany, by Diann Rusch-Feja (Library and Research Information, Max Planck Institute for Human Development, Berlin, Germany)

The third paper, Toward worldwide resource sharing: collection development in China's higher education institutions, by Yafan Song (Cataloguing Department, Library of Renmin University, Renmin, China), was not presented as the author was not present at the conference. The moderator's decision not to read the paper was endorsed by the Standing Committee. Technical support in the main auditorium was good, and there were 125 people in the audience.

3.1.3

A&CD Section Workshop

The Workshop on *Collection Development in the Digital Age: Organisational Challenges* took place on 17 August 2000. It was introduced and moderated by Standing Committee member Joe Hewitt. All three papers were well received and sparked a number of questions from the 90-strong audience:

The impact of digital resources on organization and management of collection development, by Larry Alford (University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, USA)

Reorganisation in the British Library to acquire electronic resources, by Jim Vickery (English Language Selection and Serials, British Library)

Co-operative collection development of electronic information resources in Turkish university libraries, by Yasar Tonta (Department of Library Science, Hacettepe University, Ankara, Turkey)

3.1.4

Divisional Programme

A Divisional Programme on *Israel: Documenting a Culture* was jointly organised by A&CD Section, and chaired by Sara Yontan. The event went well, although one speaker did not present a formal paper. Around 60 people were present.

3.1.5

Discussion Group on Licensing

The Discussion Group on Licensing met again at Jerusalem, convened by Standing Committee member Ann Okerson, to focus on national site licence agreements. The meeting generated considerable interest; much useful information was conveyed and there were several good contributions from the 80 participants.

The A&CD Standing Committee Chair wrote to IFLA HQ formally requesting continuation of the Discussion Group on Licensing for another year.

3.1.6

Repository Libraries Discussion Group

This new Discussion Group was set up primarily under the Document Delivery and Interlending Section, but A&CD had been closely involved in the process. Pentti Vattulainen, convenor, reported that the room had been too small to accommodate all those interested, and that there had been insufficient time to present all the papers and country reports. Nevertheless, there was a real interest in this theme, and the papers were subsequently posted on IFLANET.

It was agreed that the Discussion Group should continue next year under DDIL Section, but should eventually be sponsored by the Acquisition and Collection Development Section.

3.1.7

Publishers Relations Advisory Committee (PRAC)

A&CD Section has a close interest in the interface between publishers and libraries. Ann Okerson represented the Section at the first meeting of PRAC, a revival of the Publishers Liaison Committee. The role of PRAC was to advise a high-level working group of senior IFLA officials and publishers. Only non-contentious issues were to be discussed, so metadata and archiving were on the agenda, but not licensing or legal deposit. The A&CD Standing Committee considered this a rather cautious and restrictive approach.

3.2

Plans for Boston Conference, 2001

The Committee agreed to convene both an Open Forum and a Workshop at Jerusalem.

The Open Forum, to be organised by Ann Okerson, would be on the theme of *Measuring and evaluating the use of electronic collections*. The Programme could be a joint event with the Education & Training, Statistics, or Information Technology Sections.

The Workshop at Boston would deal with the theme *Exchange agreements: do they have a future in the digital age?* It would be organised by Sara Yontan, with assistance from Tatiana Afanasieva or other Russian members, Masaki Nasu and Pentti Vattulainen.

There would also be another meeting of the Discussion Group on Licensing at Boston.

3.3

Plans for Glasgow Conference, 2002

No definite plans were made for Glasgow 2002, but potential topics previously identified included: French collections outside France; collection development policies for electronic material; pricing issues for electronic material; serials pricing; access to electronic dissertations; international resource sharing; issues in consortial acquisition; legal deposit of electronic material; and library/publisher relations.

3.4

Medium Term Programme, 2002-2004

3.4.1

There was insufficient time at the Jerusalem conference to examine and update the existing MTP. The Standing Committee agreed to produce a good draft of the new MTP by mid-2001, for final discussion and ratification at the Boston Conference.

3.4.2

It was noted at Jerusalem that all tasks from the Action List at Bangkok had been completed, except MTP 1.5 'Formulate a survey on pricing packages for print and electronic material' and MTP 1.6 'Prepare a checklist for acquiring digital resources'.

4. Projects and publications

4.1 Projects

4.1.1

Guidelines for Creating a Collection Development Policy

Matters were well in hand for a project to produce a basic, non-prescriptive guide for libraries wishing to embark upon writing a collection policy statement. Standing Committee member Dora Biblarz had produced a text, which was to be expanded, plus a model template. The booklet would include the text in all IFLA languages, but still ideally be under 16 pages. Dora Biblarz would liaise with Trix Bakker and Marie-Joëlle Tarin on the final version of the text, which should be ready by the end of 2000.

4.1.2

Acquisition and Collection Development Bibliography

The most recent issues of the Acquisition and Collection Development Bibliography, compiled by staff at the Russian State Library, were posted on IFLANET. There were now 1,200 entries, but the project would have to end in December 2000 for personnel reasons at the Library. No other volunteers were forthcoming to continue the bibliography, although the idea of a technical model in which all members could contribute entries to a central database would be explored further.

The Committee considered that author and subject indexes were needed, to make the bibliography more usable. Jim Vickery would combine the six lists into a single alphabetical sequence, for posting on IFLANET. Christina Friström offered to devise a subject scheme of 10-20 headings, subdivide the entries by language, and allocate them to appropriate Committee members for analysis.

4.1.3

Survey on serials pricing

The Committee agreed that this was still a possible project, although no definite action was planned.

4.2 Publications

4.2.1

Handbook for the International Exchange of Publications

The Committee agreed that there was a need for an new version of the handbook on exchange, taking electronic

developments into account. Sara Yontan produced an outline based on work at the Bibliothèque nationale de France: the publication would comprise a discursive introduction and a directory of exchange centres - the directory could be updated on IFLANET. A group of interested parties was convened to take the work forward.

During the Jerusalem conference Sara spoke with IFLA and Saur, who were keen for the work to go ahead; Sara Yontan and Jim Vickery also discussed the next steps with Sjoerd Koopman, IFLA's Professional Co-ordinator, and the publication date was provisionally set for 2002. The Saur book would be published in English and French editions; a shorter Russian version could also be produced as an IFLA publication.

4.2.2

Section brochures

During the year the Standing Committee produced a new brochure in all the official IFLA languages. Brochures would be sent out with appropriate Newsletters, with most of the remainder deposited at IFLA HQ.

It was proposed to produce a new version of the English-language brochure in 2001/2002, reflecting the new MTP Goals.

4.2.3

Newsletter

During the year two issues of the Section's *Newsletter* were produced and mailed to members of the Section and posted on IFLANET.

5. Financial Report

5.1

Sara Yontan as Financial Officer presented the following report, which was approved by the Standing Committee as submitted. All figures are in French Francs.

REVENUES

Balance: 31 December 1999

Administrative funds	760.66
Project funds	2,233.44
Total	2,994.10

Revenues: 1 January 2000 to date

Transfers from IFLA HQ (Admin)	3,379.82
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TOTAL REVENUES (Balance plus revenue)

Administrative funds	4,140.51
Project funds	2,233.44

EXPENSES

1 January 2000 - 8 August 2000

Administrative funds	841.50
Project funds	0

BALANCE

Administrative funds	3,299.10
Project funds	2,233.44
Total	5,532.54

5.2

The 2,233.44FF (previously \$360) project money for the Collection Development Guidelines had remained unspent, and there was no administrative expenditure up to August 2000, other than 841.5FF for photocopying of brochures.

6. Relationship with other bodies

As access to materials becomes an increasingly viable alternative to ownership, the Section finds itself working more closely with the IFLA Core Programme on Universal Availability of Publications, the Sections on Serial Publications and Document Delivery and Interlibrary Loan, and the Publishers Relations Advisory Committee.

Annex to IFLA Acquisition & Collection Development Section 1999/2000 Annual Report, covering 1 September-31 December 2000

Minute item	Topic	Update
2.1	Membership	The Central Library and Document Centre, Mashhad, Iran, joined the A&CD Section in September 2000
3.1.5	DG on Licensing	The Discussion Group on Licensing was renewed for another year; A report on Jerusalem DG meeting was written by Ann Okerson
3.2	Boston Conference	<u>Open Programme:</u> Ann Okerson began assembling speakers for the OP on <i>Measuring and Evaluating the Use of Electronic Collections</i> . Six candidates were approached <u>Workshop:</u> Sara Yontan liaised with other SC members over the Workshop <i>on Exchange Agreements: Do they have a Future in the Digital Age?</i> Several potential presenters were approached, from Russia, Japan, France, Senegal and Finland
3.4.1	MTP	A draft of new Medium Term Programme was sent to SC members by Sara Yontan, for comment
4.1.1	Policy Guidelines	The final draft of the booklet <i>Guidelines for Creating a Collection Policy Statement</i> was drawn up
4.1.2	Acquisitions Bibliography	The six issues of the <i>Acquisition & Collection Development Bibliography</i> were combined by Jim Vickery into one, and posted on IFLANET; Work began, under Nancy Davenport's lead, to compile a subject index
4.2.1	Exchange Handbook	Sara Yontan continued to seek a firm commitment from a French colleague to oversee this project, which was approved by IFLA and Saur
4.2.3	Newsletter	<i>Newsletter</i> no.22 was produced in December 2000
4.2.4	Other publications	Two A&CD Jerusalem Workshop papers: <i>Reorganisation in the British Library to acquire electronic resources</i> by Jim Vickery and <i>Co-operative collection development of electronic information resources in Turkish university libraries</i> , by Yasar Tonta, were accepted for publication in the journal <i>Library Collections, Acquisitions and Technical Services</i>

January 2001

4. Licensing

Licensing of electronic resources remains a vital topic for acquisition and collection development librarians. Below are brief details of three recent initiatives in this area.

4.1 Discussion Group on Licensing

Please take a look at the new pages on the Discussion Group on Licensing at <http://www.ifla.org/VII/s14/>. The DG is under the auspices of the Acquisition and Collection Development Section. The information has been compiled by Ann Okerson, Convenor of the Discussion Group.

Ann would be pleased to receive any comments, and can be contacted at:

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4.2 Model Licence

For further information, it is worth noting that Ann Okerson has been instrumental in the production of the Model License for Electronic Access endorsed by the Digital Library Federation in May 2001.

This model license, which is available at: <http://www.library.yale.edu/~llicense/modlic.shtml> was developed through extensive consultation with librarians, publishers, lawyers, and university licensing officials. The intent was to produce guidance that is fair to all parties. If warranted by experience, the license will be revised; comments may be sent by e-mail to ann.okerson@yale.edu.

The project based at Yale University also created Liblicense software that university librarians, academic publishers, and others may download for free and use to create and customize their own electronic resources licenses. The model license, the software, and much helpful information about contracting for digital resources may be found on the Liblicense Web site at: <http://www.library.yale.edu/~llicense/index.shtml>. The project also includes an e-mail discussion list, liblicense-l, with about 2,500 subscribers internationally.

4.3 Licensing Principles

In May 2001 IFLA announced its adoption of a set of Licensing Principles:

‘The worldwide marketplace for all types of electronic information resources is developing rapidly as publishers and vendors creating electronic information seek to attract libraries of all types (academic, public, national and special) as their customers. Today, libraries around the world continue in their role as mediators between users and producers of information and cultural expression. This role persists even more energetically, it appears, for electronic information than for print.

The use of electronic information everywhere in the world is usually defined and described by contractual agreements, otherwise known as licenses. These are marketplace arrangements in which a willing information provider and a willing purchaser of information access come together to make arrangements, deal by deal, resource by resource.

IFLA views the licensing arena positively, although key issues remain to be resolved. In particular, licensing is increasingly responsive to the complex business arrangements between information providers and library consortia of different types and sizes. IFLA encourages and supports the evolution of all types of libraries negotiating as consortia.

Recently IFLA's Executive and Professional Boards approved a set of Licensing Principles which should prevail in the contractual relationship and written contracts between libraries and information providers. Aspects that have been touched upon by these principles include: the law, access, usage and users, and pricing.

Marianne Scott, Chair of the IFLA Committee on Copyright and other Legal Matters (CLM) which prepared the text of the Principles, commented: "Licensing is increasing in importance as a means of gaining access to commercially available digital information. I am pleased that the library community world wide now has a set of principles to provide support and guidance in negotiating these licenses".’

A&CD Section members are invited to check the text of the IFLA Licensing Principles on IFLANET at <http://www.ifla.org/V/ebpb/copy.htm>.

5. IFLA's Professional Priorities

The following statement, which was approved by the Professional and Executive Boards in December 2000, is highly relevant to all Section members. It will form the starting point for a new two-year planning cycle, to replace the former Medium Term Programme.

"The International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) is a worldwide, independent, non-governmental organization. The purposes of the Federation as stated in its Statutes are "to promote high standards of delivery of library and information services; to encourage widespread understanding of the value and importance of high quality library and information services in the private, public and voluntary sectors; and to represent the interests of its Members throughout the world." The Professional Priorities outlined in this document will provide guidance in the development of IFLA's professional activities. These priorities are to be incorporated into the professional programmes throughout IFLA's organizational structure, recognizing especially that the needs, concerns and views of every region of the world are to be taken into account, particularly those in the developing world. Regional concerns, communication and information exchange among IFLA's members, and the use of electronic technology to facilitate the implementation of its priorities underpin all of these professional priorities.

Supporting the Role of Libraries in Society

IFLA supports the establishment and maintenance of libraries by serving as an international advocate to ensure that the vital role of libraries in the digital age is well understood and acted upon. IFLA lobbies on behalf of libraries with government officials and community leaders, using all available avenues to secure appropriate funding and staffing of library services worldwide.

Defending the Principle of Freedom of Information

IFLA believes that all people have a fundamental right to create and acquire information and to express their views publicly. The right to know and the freedom to express are two aspects of the same principle.

Libraries play a key role in securing these rights, and IFLA supports this role by defending the ability of libraries to acquire, organize, preserve and make available the widest variety of materials, reflecting plurality and diversity in the society, and thus to protect and enhance democracy and a free debate; by defending the ability of libraries to ensure that selection and availability of material and services are governed by professional principles, not the political, moral or religious views of individuals or governments; and by defending the ability of libraries to make materials and services available to all users, with no discrimination due to race, creed, gender, religion, age or any other subjective reason.

Promoting Literacy, Reading, and Lifelong Learning

IFLA's programmes promote literacy in many aspects, helping libraries worldwide to develop programmes that support increased literacy for all people, including basic literacy (the ability to use, understand and apply print, writing, speech and visual information in order to communicate and interact effectively), reading (the ability to decipher print and other forms of notation, to understand written language and its construction, and to comprehend the meaning of the written word), information literacy (the ability to formulate and analyze an information need; to identify and appraise sources; to locate, retrieve, organize and store information; to interpret, analyze, synthesize and evaluate that information critically; and to evaluate whether the information need has been satisfied) and lifelong learning (providing for the needs of all learners, whether formal or informal, helping to raise the aspirations and achievements of individuals of all ages and abilities).

Providing Unrestricted Access to Information

IFLA seeks to influence political and economic decisions that have an ethical impact on access to information so that all persons throughout the world have the same opportunity to participate in the information society without regard to physical, regional, social, or cultural barriers. Ongoing technological progress seems to widen the gap between the information rich and the information poor world-wide. IFLA supports programmes which provide support for information access in developing regions of the world.

Balancing the Intellectual Property Rights of Authors with the Needs of Users

IFLA assumes a dual responsibility, both to the producers of intellectual property and to libraries as representatives of information users, because safeguarding and providing access to products of the mind are fundamental to the growth of knowledge.

IFLA works to protect the rights of authors and the role of libraries by playing an active role with organizations such as WIPO and UNESCO in the drafting of appropriate treaties and legislative models which recognize the dichotomy between the rights of authors and the needs of users.

IFLA also works to assure that intellectual property rights support the universal availability of information by such activities as encouraging national legislation for legal deposit and assuring the right of libraries to make copies of published documents in a manner consistent with principles of fair use. Safeguarding these rights must involve both the owners of intellectual property and its users. It necessitates working in collaboration with authors, publishers and librarians.

Promoting Resource Sharing

IFLA serves as an international forum and advocate for sharing information in all its forms across national borders. It promotes the communication of bibliographic information which is the basis for all resource sharing, it works to develop cooperative principles for international lending, and it supports a voucher scheme to liberate lending reimbursements from national currencies. IFLA works to encourage the sharing of resources, by supporting traditional lending and document delivery, by promoting the communication and easy exchange of bibliographic information, and by encouraging the development of virtual libraries whose holdings will be accessible without regard to geography or national boundaries.

Preserving Our Intellectual Heritage

Although responsibility for the preservation and conservation of the intellectual heritage in their custody is ultimately the responsibility of individual libraries, IFLA works to promote the establishment of regional, national and international priorities and the application of the best scientific knowledge in the fulfillment of this responsibility. One of IFLA's primary activities is to ensure appropriate coordination at the international level through programmes such as advocacy, training and the development and dissemination of standards and best practices. IFLA also participates in international activities related to disaster preparedness and recovery.

Developing Library Professionals

IFLA works to strengthen the abilities and knowledge of library and information science professionals and paraprofessionals throughout the world in order to improve service to the user. Programmes supported by IFLA encompass all educational processes, including library and information science curricula and continuing education activities such as lectures, seminars, workshops and in-service training.

Promoting Standards, Guidelines, and Best Practices

IFLA actively promotes standards, guidelines and best practices to provide guidance to libraries throughout the world in how to perform core functions well, and in many cases how to perform them in the same manner. The latter is

particularly important in areas such as electronic communications where conformity with clear, established and widely accepted and understood standards is indispensable for the exchange of information in cost-effective ways.

Supporting the Infrastructure of Library Associations

IFLA supports the infrastructure of library associations, especially in countries and regions where these are poorly developed, because they provide the essential means for accomplishing IFLA's goals at the national level. Library associations provide many valuable services to librarians. They work to develop effective library programmes and services that meet the needs of library users and advance societal objectives and interests, ensuring public access to information, and preserving and protecting cultural resources.

Representing Libraries in the Technological Marketplace

IFLA serves as an international advocate for libraries and their users, seeking to influence the development of technology in the world marketplace, especially technology that controls the flow and availability of information. IFLA represents both the sophisticated interests of high-tech libraries and the practical concerns of more traditional users. It negotiates on behalf of libraries (and for the benefit of library users) in discussions on international trade and telecommunications, and it also works to encourage the development of affordable technologies that will bring information to all the populations of the world.'

Adopted by the Professional Board of IFLA
December 2000

6. Notes from meetings of the IFLA Professional Board in The Hague, by Chris Wright, Chair of the Division V (Collections & Services) Coordinating Board

6A. Key points from the December 2000 Professional Board meeting

Conference Speakers

The current requirement that guest speakers (or the section inviting them) pay a conference registration fee was discussed at some length. While all agreed this conflicts with the desire for more lively and newsworthy conferences, no practical solution was discovered. As a preliminary measure, the PB set aside funds equivalent to a single one-day registration fee for each division and asked IFLA HQ to draft guidelines on how this fund might be used to support non-IFLA speakers.

Boston Workshops/Programs

All Division V workshops were approved as half-day workshops.

Program/workshop organizers were urged to get their equipment requirements to IFLA HQ as early as possible. There was discussion with HQ staff about standardizing technological support for conference programs, especially having basic presentation tools such as PowerPoint available in all meeting rooms, but this would be for future conferences.

Glasgow Satellite Meetings

Requests for satellite meetings at the Glasgow 2002 conference must be submitted to HQ by 1 March 2001 for PB approval. Conference planners have been concerned about the growing number of satellite meetings and believe greater coordination is required to avoid competition with the main IFLA conference.

Discussion Groups

All current discussion groups that are requesting re-authorization have been extended one additional year (until the new Governing Board has decided on the role of discussion groups and round tables under the new Rules of Procedure).

Division V was invited to request section status for the DG on Reference Work when the PB meets in March 2001.

A startup meeting for a DG on Knowledge Management was approved for Boston, but a decision on a DG on Digital Libraries was postponed because some members of the PB (myself included) were concerned the topic was too general and might compete with other IFLA units that consider aspects of digitization to be part of their responsibility.

Medium Term Program

Beginning in 2002 the Medium Term Program will become (something like) “The Strategic Plan for IFLA Professional Activities.” Details are still being worked out, but the intent is for sections and roundtables to develop a mission statement, strategic priorities, and an action plan keyed to the IFLA professional priorities. Action Plans would be reviewed every two years; mission statements and strategic priorities would be re-evaluated every four years. This is not a radical change from our current practice. The timetable calls for the first section/roundtable strategic plans to be finalized and approved at the second Standing Committee meeting in Boston, so some preliminary work among S/C members might reduce anxiety during the conference.

IFLANet

The National Library of Canada has announced it will not be able to support IFLANet and the UDT program beyond the end of 2001. NLC is being required to redirect its resources to support Canadian digital activities and IFLA will have to find another home for its growing web activities. One solution would be to move web content administration to HQ and to contract for hardware/server support.

Boston Elections

The Boston conference will see a significant turnover in IFLA officers. At the first meeting of standing committees, on Saturday 18 August, the incoming members must elect chairs for the next two year cycle. These chairs will then gather for the first time on Wednesday, 22 August, as the division’s next coordinating board. This CB must then choose a chair whose main duty is to represent the division on the new Professional Committee, which meets immediately following.

6B. Notes from the March 2001 Professional Board meeting

New Section on Reference Work

In March 2001 the IFLA Professional Board approved the conversion of the Discussion Group on Reference Work into a full Section, the sixth section of our division. In its discussion the PB recognized the need for a formal voice for reference librarianship within the IFLA structure and readily agreed to the idea of expanding the Division to include this aspect of our profession.

Its convenor, Annsofie Oscarsson, will serve as interim chair of the section, working with IFLA HQ to establish an interim standing committee and develop the section’ “terms of reference,” priorities, and program pending the election of a regular standing committee before the Berlin conference.

Digital Libraries Discussion Group

PB members agreed with comments I received from many of you, that “digital libraries” was such a universal topic that it would be inappropriate to focus it in a single discussion group. The board felt that technical aspects of digitization were already the responsibility of the Section on Information Technology and that other digital library elements were being addressed systematically by the sections in which they belonged.

The Ideal Conference

The PB and HQ staff engaged in a brainstorming session on the ideal IFLA conference. Here are a few of many ideas talked about:

- * Current conferences are too long and lack stimulating professional content.
- * IFLA business meetings should be separated from conferences (scheduled before or after but not be identified as the purpose of the conference).
- * General conferences might come every two or three years with regional or subject-specific conferences in between.
- * IFLA HQ should have full operational and financial responsibility for conferences (instead of the current arrangement that places almost all responsibility with the national organizing committee of the host country).

Glasgow Plans

The theme will be literacy and lifelong learning. Unlike Boston, space in the Glasgow conference venue is limited and workshops will probably be scheduled only on Thursday and limited to 20 (not even one per section). Satellite meetings will have to be planned a full year in advance and units should submit Form S (Satellite Meeting Enquiry Form) as soon as possible for approval by the Professional Committee in Boston.

7. Outline Schedule for Boston Conference

A&CD events (* see below for more details)

Friday 17 August	1400-1800	Co-ordinating Board for Division V (Collections and Services) first meeting
Saturday 18 August	1130-1420	Standing Committee first meeting
Sunday 19 August	1130-1320	Discussion Group on Licensing *
Monday 20 August	0830-1230	A&CD Workshop: Exchange of publications and projections for its future *
Tuesday 21 August	1530-1800	A&CD Open Programme: Electronic collections - evaluating their ongoing need and utility for library users *
Friday 24 August	0800-1000	Standing Committee second meeting

Other sessions of special interest

Sunday 19 August	0830-1020	Repository & Storage Libraries Discussion Group *
Sunday 19 August	1230-1500	CLM: Privacy & licensing
Tuesday 21 August	1230-1500	Bibliography OP: Bibliography – indispensable or redundant
Tuesday 21 August	1230-1500	Serials OP: From bibliographic access to content with a click of a mouse
Tuesday 21 August	1230-1500	Science & Technology Libraries OP: Speaking differently – transitions in scientific communication
Wednesday 22 August	1230-1500	University Libraries OP: University libraries in partnership
Wednesday 22 August	1530-1800	CLM update
Wednesday 22 August	1530-1800	Preservation & Conservation OP: Managing digital collections as research collections
Thursday 23 August	0830-1700	Bibliographic Control Workshop: Information exchange

		in the 21 st century: formats and standardisation
Thursday 23 August	1330-1730	Bibliography & National Libraries Workshop: What makes a good national bibliography even better?

Sunday 19 August: 11.30-13.20

Discussion Group on Licensing

The Discussion Group on Licensing covers some of the most important and timely issues facing libraries today, particularly as electronic information resources appear increasingly to be governed by contracts, which are used either in tandem with copyright law or to its exclusion. The DG has explored and continues to explore public policy issues, relationship of licenses and law, user rights, pricing, negotiating, and also training and workflow topics.

This year's discussion will focus on case studies of difficult negotiations, will explore the reasons for complexity and the solutions that that library negotiators used to move forward.

Confirmed discussants include:

- Arnold Hirshon, Executive Director, NELINET (USA)
- Alicia Wise, Director of DNER Programs, JISC (UK)

Others will be added to this list as final confirmations are received.

Monday 20 August: 0830-1230

Acquisition and Collection Development Section Workshop

'Exchange of Publications and Projections for its Future'

Exchange of publications today: why and how? A preliminary survey.

CATHERINE GAZIELLO (Bibliothèque nationale de France, Paris, France)

International book exchange in Russia: brief survey and its future in the electronic era

GALINA A. EVSTIGNEEVA (Russian National Public Library for Science and Technology, Moscow, Russian Federation)

ALEXEI ROMANOV (National Library of Russia, St Petersburg, Russian Federation)

USA - Russia Library Materials Exchanges: Present and Future

NADIA ZILPER (Slavic and East European Resources, Collection Development Department, Davis Library, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, USA)

Publication, platform and exchange: collaborating with small-scale publishers

RIITTA AUTERE (Exchange Official, Exchange Centre of Scientific Literature, Helsinki, Finland)

Exchange of academic publications in Senegal

SOULEYMANE DIOUF (Bibliothèque Centrale, Université Cheikh Anta Diop de Dakar, Dakar, Senegal)

Present state and future of the international exchange of publications at the National Diet Library

MASAKI NASU (National Diet Library, Tokyo, Japan)

Tuesday 21 August: 15.30-18.00

Acquisition and Collection Development Section Open Forum

'Electronic Collections: Evaluating their ongoing Need and Utility for Library Users'

Evaluating digital resources in an academic consortium: from theory to practice

ELHANAN ADLER (Director, Israel Center for Digital Information Services - MALMAD, Jerusalem, Israel)

A method out of madness: Ohio Link's collaborative response to the serials crises four years later - progress report

TOM SANVILLE (Executive Director, Ohio Library and Information Network - Ohio Link, Columbus, USA)

The eIFL - electronic Information for Libraries Projects: a global initiative of the Soros Foundation Network

BLAZEJ FERET (Deputy Director, Main Library, Technical University of Lodz, Lodz, Poland)

MONIKA SEGBERT (Consultant, Information Programme, Open Society Institute, Budapest, Hungary)

PETER SZANTO (Library Director, National Technical Information Centre and Library, Budapest, Hungary)

Challenges of implementing an evaluation and monitoring framework for the impact of electronic resources on learning, teaching and research

ALICIA WISE (UK Joint Information Systems Committee, UK)

Sunday 19 August: 08.30-10.20

Repository and Storage Libraries Discussion Group

This discussion group explores the role of repository libraries in providing access to materials held in centralized storage facilities serving specialized or co-operative library needs. Participants will discuss topics including the decision-making that leads to transfer to remote storage, the development of robotic on-demand scanning systems for delivering remotely held materials, and case studies of successful centralized repository libraries.

Invited on the discussion panel are:

1. PENTTI VATTULAINEN (Director, National Repository Library, Finland)
2. BEVERLY LYNCH (Director, Center for Research Libraries, USA)
3. ELIZABETH VERNON (Judaica Technical Services Librarian, Harvard University, Cambridge, USA)
4. SAYYED CHOUDHURY (Director, Digital Knowledge Center, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, USA)