

## THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The committee met at Ljubljana 3 - 5 March 1979, with the generous hospitality of the Jugoslovenska Kinoteka which celebrated its thirtieth anniversary.

Filmkhaneh Melli Iran received confirmation of its observer status, and La Cinemateca Brasileira of Sao Paulo, a former member of FIAF, applied for and received observer status. Three older members, Filmoteca Nacional de Espana, Filmarchivum/Magyar Filmtudományi Intezet, and Arhiva Nationala de Filme (Bucharest), received reconfirmation. Other membership questions had to be postponed pending further information requested by the Executive Committee. The committee is very encouraged by the growing number of archives indicating a desire to join FIAF.

Several additions were made to the proposals to modify the statutes and rules. Members will receive these proposals in their final form, but meanwhile here are the major suggestions for modification discussed at this meeting: (1) to do away with the category of associate member and the use of the word "affiliate", returning to a system of members or observers only; (2) to require observers to remain in that status for at least two years before being considered for membership; (3) to institute an election committee; (4) to limit the time the three top officers of the federation may hold their posts for a maximum of six years consecutively.

The cataloging commission reported that it will hold a meeting in April in Budapest, with the Filmarchivum/Magyar Filmtudományi Intezet as host. The documentation commission plans to meet in Sofia, as guests of the Bulgarska Nacionalna Filmoteka, immediately following the Congress in Lausanne. The copyright commission is preparing the final form of the summary of FIAF members' views on the UNESCO document concerning the safeguarding of moving images, for submission to the UNESCO Executive Council meeting in May. A separate report from the preservation commission will be found elsewhere in the Bulletin.