6.2 Preservation Commission

H. SCHOU commented on the report of the Commission and asked the floor for questions.

B. VAN DER ELST wondered about the project on Fungus and Mould. H. SCHOU had heard nothing from the group and for UNESCO funding it was too late.

W. KLAUE said the backing for an East-European sub-committee no longer existed.
He suggested to discuss that point at the following Commission meeting, it would be more effective to have an European sub-committee.

E. ORBANZ mentioned the plan to have the next joined technical symposium in 1993. They were hoping that FIAF would organize it but FIAF could also be asked.

D. FRANCIS wanted to state that the work of the Preservation Commission was fantastic.

6.3 Commission for Programming and Cultural Uses

J. BERNARD DA COSTA presented the list of members foreseen for the Commission and asked the EC the right to have 8 members instead of 7 in accordance with rule 78.
He explained that he had already held two meetings at Pordenone, one of which had been attended by B. VAN DER ELST. The members had been:
- looking for new criteria for programming
- discussing the role of programming
- discussing the name of the Commission
  - programming
  - or programming and Cultural Uses.
During the second meeting the members had
- elaborated a provisional calendar
- proposed to write to all the archives to ask for
  suggestions and comments on their programming
- prepared a text on the name of the Commission and its
  priorities.
The first formal meeting was foreseen in February 1991 at
 Açores or in Athens before or after the Congress.

Discussion started on the proposed names for members of the
Commission.

G. CINCOTTI wanted to suggest the name of Gianluca Farinelli
of Bologna who used very modern criterion in programming.

R. BORDE regretted the absence of Latin American in the list
of members proposed. Latin American archives were very much
concerned by programming activities; therefore he suggested
to replace a European member by someone from Latin America.

Ch. DIMITRIU supported completely R. BORDE’s remark and added
that the people proposed on the list were more interested in
programming than in the cultural uses of an archive.
According to him the focus of the Commission had to be
broadened.

R. DAUDELIN also regretted the absence of Latin America in
the Commission.
He added that for budgetary reasons, the number of members
should be limited to 7.

W. KLAUE reminded that the mandate of the Commission was for
programming and cultural uses, not for access which was a
much wider scope and which would need a different composition
of the membership. The Commission should be concentrated on
the active role film archives are playing in the cultural
field.

A.L. WIBOM also regretted the absence of Latin America but was even more concerned by the fact that all the names of the list represented very well established archives. She would have liked to see young people from young archives or from small archives.

D. FRANCIS said it was difficult to talk of the membership without first having the list of projects. He suggested to choose 4 or 5 people for the first year, to produce a key list of all the subjects and then look for the people needed to meet the projects.

J. BERNARD DA COSTA said he believed a certain cohesion was needed, at least for the beginning of the Commission.

W. KLAUE felt unable to vote on the members proposed because there was disagreement on the selection. He also felt unable to make a decision because no terms of reference were defined for the work of the Commission, there was no working programme. He suggested to postpone the formal confirmation of the members of the Commission to the following EC meeting and ask J. BERNARD DA COSTA to come before the GA with a new proposal for members and also for a practical working programme.

J. BERNARD DA COSTA said he was in a very difficult position and regretted not having been told about Latin America right from the start. W. KLAUE's proposal was the one which had been rejected by the GA is : to create a working group to present a programme at Athens.

D. FRANCIS suggested to confirm four members at this stage and ask that group to look at the specific proposals that had been made at the GA and comment on them.
J. BERNARD DA COSTA had another proposal. To accept his list of members with a specific mandate until Athens. At Athens the Commission would resign and another one would be chosen.

R. DAUDELIN asked the EC to vote on both proposals:
1. To nominate 5 members, including the president for the new Commission, asking the new Commission to take the time until Athens to define its task and possibility to complete its membership.
   Result of the vote: 7 in favour
   2 against.
2. J. BERNARD DA COSTA proposal to confirm the 7 members with a mandate until Athens.
   Result of the vote: 2 in favour
   1 abstention
   6 against

Following D. FRANCIS’s suggestion, the EC voted by secret ballot on the choice of 4 members + the President so that it was not a decision that J. BERNARD DA COSTA had to make.
Result of the vote: G. CLAES
P. CHERCHI USAI
St. RICCI
E. PATALAS

J. BERNARD DA COSTA said he was going to think about the result of the discussion. He no longer knew if he was going to accept the presidency in such circumstances. Everything would depend on the group’s reaction.