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“ In a few weeks the members of CITRA will be getting together in Curaçao. The Netherlands Antilles are delighted to welcome them and already assure them that they are going to use all their charms to seduce them and to make their stay unforgettable. But look out ! The beach, barbecues, sunshades and songs will not only enable them to relax between two intensive working sessions. They will also help them to work better in order to succeed in sharing our memory during the era of globalisation. ”

Nolda Römer Kenepa

Director, National Archives of Netherlands Antilles

“ The members of the International Conference of the Round Table on Archives are cordially invited to meet in Curacao, Netherlands Antilles, from 20 to 26 November 2006. Needless to say, Curacao is an especially appropriate place to discuss our 39th conference theme "Sharing Memory through Globalization", for its historical and multicultural background.

As you have been informed, a new format will be introduced to the CITRA 2006. We will have two types of meetings: plenary introductory sessions and segmented discussion groups. It is hoped that we will be able to have fruitful results from the meetings surrounded by the beautiful nature and diversified culture of Curacao.

We look forward to your active participation to make this CITRA an exciting and rewarding opportunity. ”

Mitsuoki Kikuchi

Vice-President of ICA delegated to the preparation of CITRA

For more information please see the CITRA website:

<http://www.citra2006.ica.org>

IN BRIEF

The International Council on Archives will have a stand at the **Second World Forum on Human Rights**, to be held in Nantes (France) from 10 to 13 July 2006. Actions achieved from the CITRA 2003 in Cape Town and ongoing projects will be presented there.

For more information
www.forum-droitsdelhomme.org

People

New national Archivists have been appointed in:

MALAYSIA — **Zawawi**
TUNISIA — **Hedi Jallab**

The ICA's position of Secretary General open as from end 2008

The current Secretary General, **Joan van Albada**, has indicated to the Executive Board that he wishes to retire towards the end of 2008. The Executive Board has, therefore, decided to start its search for a new Secretary General at the 2006 AGM (November 2006, Curacao). A full job description with a person specification will be distributed with *Flash* 11 in December 2006 and made available on the ICA Website at the same time.

Joan van Albada expressed his desire to welcome his successor so that there is enough time for them jointly to prepare, with the help of the other team members at the ICA Secretariat, the forthcoming ICA Congress (Kuala Lumpur 21-28 July 2008). "It will be a relief and a pleasure for me to have the chance of working with my successor for several months - we will be able to learn from each other and together to reinforce the ICA. By the end of 2008, I will have been in office for 10 years and this has been an enriching experience - however, after

10 years one should change the Secretary-General, and make room for new people, new ideas and new solutions. It will be difficult to say good-bye, as the ICA is close to my heart, but time is short and life is swift."

A Strengthened Secretariat Team !

The National Archives at Kew is funding the secondment of **David Leitch** to the ICA Secretariat for a period of eighteen months, starting on 3 July, as Senior Programme Manager. David has worked as an archivist for twenty years, mainly with what is now The National Archives. He has also taken a strong interest in ICA, serving on the Archivum and Comma Editorial Boards since 1993.

Secretary-General Joan van Albada said that 'ICA is very grateful to The National Archives and in particular to its Chief Executive Natalie Ceeney for the generous funding of David Leitch's secondment. David's arrival at the Secretariat will give ICA a much-needed boost at a time when we are trying to increase our membership and to provide them with more benefits. With David's help, we can energise our current programme of innovative projects and develop a stimulating programme for the next Congress in 2008'.

Natalie Ceeney, Chief Executive of the National Archives, said that 'ICA plays a crucial role in maintaining the international network on which all archive services, large and small, depend for information about best practice and emerging standards. With the globalisation of information and the impact of new technologies developed by multi-national computer companies, it is even more essential that the professional archival community should work together at the international level. I am confident

that, strengthened by David's presence in the secretariat, ICA will continue to function effectively for the benefit of us all'.

David Leitch added 'I am delighted to be joining ICA at a crucial time in its history, and hope that my contribution will really make a difference. The funding of this secondment by The National Archives shows just how committed it is to fostering international co-operation and to the development of its staff'.

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ICA Secretariat

The International Council on Archives (ICA)

is dedicated to the advancement of archives through international collaboration. Archives, by providing evidence of human activities and transactions, underlie the rights of individuals and states, and are fundamental to democracy and good governance. In pursuing the advancement of archives, ICA works for the protection and enhancement of the memory of the world.

Flash

communicates news on ICA activities and highlights current issues in archives. It is the complement to the in-depth professional reflection, reports and debate in *Comma*.

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Executive Board, Tokyo

EXECUTIVE BOARD COMPLETE AGAIN

The Tokyo Executive Board has accepted the candidature of **Tomas Lidman for Treasurer**. Tomas Lidman is the National Archivist of Sweden.

Zawawi, the newly appointed Director General of the National Archives of Malaysia has taken up the position of **Senior Vice-President of the ICA**.

International Archives Days

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Congress

Behind the scenes preparations are advancing. Currently the Congress organisers are identifying packages that can be offered to congress participants. The Congress website should go live by the end of 2006, which will allow for 18 months of interactive use before the curtains are opened.

At the Tokyo Executive Board (EB) Branch Presidents and Section Chairpersons reported that session proposals will be sent to the organisers as soon as the website will be open. The Programme Commission informed the EB that several projects are ripe for presentation at the Congress, whereas other projects will be able to present progress reports.

Deputy Secretary General Mahfuzah reported that currently the number of languages that can be used for simultaneous translation is still under consideration. The facilities of the congress centre are limited, whereas the budget available for simultaneous translation and extra facilities is not unlimited.

The EB therefore decided that whatever the number of languages that will benefit from simultaneous translation, sessions can be organised in any language. However, session nominators should bear in mind that an expected minimum of 20 participants per session seems a reasonable requirement.

Further details on languages and on the number of sessions that would be provided with simultaneous translation will be circulated when available, both in *Flash*, on the Website and on the Listserv.

New format for professional publications, ICA goes e.

The Executive Board (EB) has decided, in view of the availability of new technologies for communications, to use the budget available for publications and communications in a more productive manner: from now on the ICA's professional publications will be published and on the ICA Website and on the ICA annual CD-Rom. In discussions with the Comma Board, and based on the

experiences of the Secretary General in his current and earlier role as Director of Publications, the EB has concluded that professional publications are best made available in the language of the intended readership and are best distributed as widely as possible. By going electronic, the volume of upcoming publications will be nearly unlimited, and the format will allow for distributing materials previously unheard of, like such as software, databases, power-point presentations, self assessment tools, and so on. The ICA annual CD-Rom will also be available for the distribution of publications of regional Regional Branches, Sections, member institutions and sister and other organisations, such as the ICBS, IFLA, ICOM, ICOMOS, ICCROM and UNESCO.

Flash will be continued in its current format and will be printed three times per year.

It is hoped for that the distribution of professional publications, hitherto 2100 paper copies per direct mail, will get a boost, and will double in 4 years time. It is also hoped for that the wider availability of the ICA's professional publications in South countries in particular, will serve as encouragement for professional development and networking, the main reason for the ICA's existence.

Preview Annual General Meeting 2006

The AGM 2006 will meet under favourable climatic circumstances in Curacao. The agenda hold will contain the usual subjects, such as reports by the ICA's governing bodies, but also issues of grave concern, such as membership development and membership services. Some subjects having legal aspects will be submitted to the AGM in first reading.

The agenda as proposed by the Executive Board should allow for improving the ICA's performances, both as a service organisation and as a network. The Executive Board will underline that the AGM is the authoritative body of the ICA and that it is up to the members to turn the ICA into a 'members-for-members' organisation. The EB and the ICA Secretariat, however important they may be, cannot and should not substitute for the 1500 members.

Co-optations

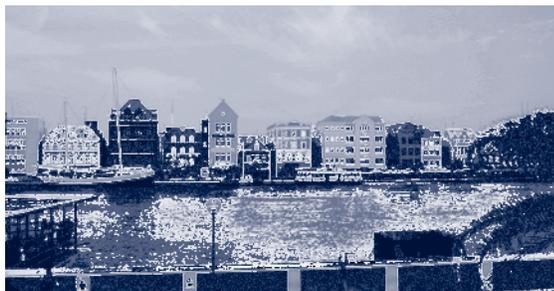
In accordance with the decision of the Annual General Meeting of Abu Dhabi (November 2005), the Executive Board of Tokyo (May 2006) has co-opted:

Tomas Lidman, General Director of the National Archives of Sweden, as the ICA Treasurer

Karel Velle, General Archivist of the Kingdom of Belgium, as Chair of the Audit Commission

Atakilt Assefa Asgedom, General Director of the National Archives and Library Agency of Ethiopia, as a member of the CITRA Bureau representing Africa and the Arab Region

Congratulations to these new officers !



Nolda Römer-Kenepa,
CITRA host 2006

View of Curaçao

39TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF THE ROUND TABLE ON ARCHIVES

Curacao, Netherlands Antilles,
20-26 November 2006
"Sharing Memory Through Globalization"

PROGRAMME

MONDAY 20 NOVEMBER

19:00 Opening Ceremony

TUESDAY 21 NOVEMBER

9:00- 10:00 Introductory plenary session

10:00-11:00 Plenary session:
**Victims of Slavery and Displacing People:
Towards the History of the Forgotten**
General Reflections and Possible Actions for Archives

11:30-12:30 Break up in discussion groups

14:00 15:30 Break up in discussion groups

16:00-17:30 Plenary:
reports by rapporteurs and discussion of conclusions

WEDNESDAY 22 NOVEMBER

9:00-10:00 Plenary session:
**Sharing Forces – Sharing Sources:
Towards the Archives of Migration**
General Reflections and Possible Actions for Archives

10:00 -11:00 Break up in discussion groups

11:30-12:30 Plenary session:
reports by rapporteurs and general discussion

14:00-15:00 Plenary session: **Sharing Sources:
Towards a Shared History Across Lines of Division**
General Reflections and Possible Actions for Archives

15:00-16:00 Break up in discussion groups

16:30-17:30 Plenary:
reports by rapporteurs and general discussion

THURSDAY 23 NOVEMBER

9:00 -12:30 Final plenary:
conclusions and discussion of resolutions

14:00-17:30 ICA Annual General Meeting Session 1

FRIDAY 24 NOVEMBER

9:00-11:30 ICA Annual General Meeting Session 2

11:30-12:30 CITRA Closing Ceremony
students of archival science in Europe.

ICA-L, the list-serv of the International Council on Archives

This email distribution list aims to provide a venue for pooling information on archival issues internationally and for the discussion of all aspects of archival theory and practice. It is an ideal way for ICA bodies to distribute information about themselves and their activities, and also to share information between members.

The list is, however, not restricted to ICA members alone. It is open to all with an interest in the archival profession, the preservation and promotion of records and archives, and in good recordkeeping practices.

Use the list actively and so help ICA maintain and strengthen the flow of high-quality professional information across borders.

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7th European Conference on Archives

Warsaw, 18-20 May 2006

18 May, 9.00 In an hour, the starting gun for the 7th European Conference on Archives will be fired. The scientific committee, meeting for the last time, is a little anxious: how are the 550 professionals who have come to Warsaw for this occasion going to welcome the themes proposed in the programme? For it has been decided that the issue of professional development should be considered from a rather different perspective, and one which is as European as possible. Reflecting on competencies is a hazardous business because we cannot be sure that a Lithuanian archivist has the same profile as an Austrian, Swedish or Greek archivist. And if we can agree, in Europe, about the competencies forming the heart of the profession, do we have the means to promote them by initial education or continuous training? Will we at last be able to dream about the European archivist, able to move from the Atlantic ocean to the Ural mountains? How can we reconcile cultural diversity – a theme that is held dear in Europe – and the desire to work together in order to recognise each other in a common profession?

19 May 23.00 Two days of sometimes passionate debates, and the awareness of our differences is very acute. But a sense of fun is something that we have in common, as the particularly agreeable ambience of the gala dinner demonstrates.

20 May 12.30 To adopt an expression from the rugby world - the try has been converted, and the programme committee can finally relax. Of course a conference on electronic archives would have got a higher score. However, we have succeeded in thinking about ourselves at this conference. Better still, we have begun to think as Europeans. In practical terms, this reflection will be translated into the development of a model for European competencies, into reinforced activity to promote the procedures of certification, and, let us hope, into the increased mobility of students of archival science in Europe.

Finally, **four workshops** presented concrete projects based on European co-operation in the areas of preventive conservation and disaster planning, a legal watchdog capability, online access to European archival sources, and standards.

The next European conference will take place in 2010, and we shall see then whether the development of European archival science has been more successful than European political construction.

For more information (programme, recommendations etc...)

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Provisional section on sigillography

After its meeting in Prague in 2005, the section on sigillography submitted its draft regulations to the Executive Board of ICA. The provisional committee of section held its annual meeting under the chairmanship of Professor Paul Harvey in Bolzano (Italy) between 8 and 10 June 2006. At this meeting it was possible to complete a long standing project: the standards for the description of seals, seal dies and reproductions were set in their definitive form. We hope to publish these texts soon on the section's own website. A small iconographical guide in French on how to read seals is ready for publication and printing; other texts, including the contributions to the 2nd Round Table on the conservation of seals organised in Paris in 2003, are available on the ICA website: www.ica.org/biblio/Table-ronde2003juin_6.pdf

The section is very keen to open up not only to all archival services and archivists interested in sigillography, but also to the world of archaeologists, historians, art historians, etc. All institutions and individuals interested are invited to contact Dr Claire Breay of the British Library Claire.Breay@bl.uk

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International Archives Days

Following a proposition from the Czech Republic, the General Conference of UNESCO approved the demand for the establishment of a World Day for the Audiovisual Heritage on 27 October. This date is that of its Recommendation of 1980 'for the safekeeping and preservation of moving images'. During the meeting of the Inter-governmental Council of the Information for All Programme, in March 2006, the International Council on Archives recognised the necessity of supporting the preservation of audiovisual archives, but it asked the Council to adopt a global approach to the question of archives, whatever their medium and format, and argued the case in favour of the creation of an International Archives Day.

This proposition was supported by members of the Council, who asked that it should form part of the feasibility study concerning the World Day for the Audiovisual Heritage. UNESCO launched this study in June 2006, as well as a public consultation online, essentially based on audiovisual archives. The results of this study, entrusted to Ray Edmondson, an Australian specialist in audiovisual archives, will be submitted to UNESCO in September 2006.

For its part, the ICA Executive Committee, meeting in Tokyo last May, agreed to propose to the General Assembly of 2006 that it should decide in favour of International Archives Days or Weeks, to be organised under the auspices of ICA. No particular date will be suggested to member countries in order to take account of the differences in priorities and existing circumstances, and because numerous celebrations of archive days, weeks and months have already taken place throughout the world at different dates.

Let us wish that UNESCO supports this initiative and accepts the invitation to sponsor it! Whatever the results of current consultations may be, the Executive Committee wishes to press ahead and to celebrate international archives days from 2007 onwards.

ICA's proposition of the Inter-governmental Council of the Information for All Programme

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ICA Projects

Developing a new standard for describing functions and activities of corporate bodies as records creators.

Recognition of the importance of functions and activities in the context of the creation of context of records has led the ICA Committee on Best Practices and Standards to create a project group for the development of an International Standard for Archival Functions (ISAF). The annual meeting of the working group has just been held in Paris, France (2006, May 29-31). Brazil, France, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom are currently involved in the project, but we are open to receive the participation of other countries. The future standard will provide guidance for preparing descriptions of functions and activities of corporate bodies associated with the creation and maintenance of archives. The group has drawn upon models of functional description and analysis currently being applied in archives and records management in Australia, Switzerland and the United Kingdom, as well as international work that has been done by the International Organisation for Standardisation (ISO), such as ISO 15489 International Standard on Records Management. During the meeting in Paris, a first draft was completed. This document will be discussed, amended and extended in the next few months, ready for publication on the ICA website, when comments from the archival community will be invited. In May or June 2007, another meeting will be held for discussing the comments and finalizing the text. The final version of the standard will be presented at the International Congress of 2008, and serve as a basis for an ulterior development of an XML DTD.

The working group thanks France for having hosted its meeting this year.

We are looking for a host country for our next meetings. By hosting meetings of ICA project groups, countries can play an important role in the development of archival standards. These meetings can also be combined with seminars or workshops explaining the standards to the archivists of the host country.

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A data exchange standard for archiving

Originating agencies and the archival institutions increasingly often use computerised management tools to record, store and deliver information.

Inter-connecting these various information systems becomes a necessity, in order to reduce costs and to

avoid a loss of quality in the transmitted information. For example, it would be hoped that the descriptive data provided by the originating body for a transfer into the information system of the archival institution be incorporated automatically.

A data exchange standard for archiving could answer this issue.

A project about it will soon be proposed to UN/CEFACT (United Nations Centre for Trade Facilitation and Electronic Business – <http://www.unece.org/cefact/>) a body of the United Nations dealing with the standardization of electronic data interchange.

The ICA decided to support the project (priority area “Electronic Archives and Automation”) and contacts have been made with ISO (TC 46 - Information and documentation).

A workgroup is being formed. Germany, Australia, Denmark, Finland, the Netherlands and Sweden have already expressed their interest, in addition to France. More participants are welcome.

A contribution was made by the French Directorate of Archives and the Directorate-General for the modernisation of the State

https://www.ateliers.adele.gouv.fr/ministeres/projets_adele/aio3_archivage_elect/public/standard_d_echange_d_folder_contents. It can be taken into account in the discussion, as similar projects have developed in other countries on the same topic.

The project is planned to be completed at the end of 2007.

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ICA Babel A project for a multi-lingual archival glossary

Work on terminology has resumed: a working group met in Reykjavik in April 2006, at the invitation of the National Archives of Iceland, to determine the general outlines of a project for a multi-lingual archival glossary on line. This project will be developed in accordance with the model and structure of the glossary of Richard Pearce-Moses that the Society of American Archivists (SAA) published in 2005. A prototype is being developed in four languages – English, French, Spanish and Dutch – from about twelve terms chosen from ICA’s code of ethics. A demonstration of this prototype will be carried out at the CITRA in Curaçao. The final objective is to facilitate access to professional publications in general and to those of ICA in particular. The project group will report to the president of the committee on standards and good archival practices.

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Glossary of SAA: <http://www.archivists.org/glossary>

From One Centre...to Another

The National Centre of Archives in Burkina Faso

Within the framework of the extension of its activities to the whole of the national territory, the National Centre of Archives (CNA) has launched a series of missions throughout the entire country, in the thirteen regions that now comprise Burkina Faso.

After the decree no 70-156/PRES of 25 July 1970 which created the National Centre of Archives, confirmed by the law no 061/98/AN of 22 December 1998, the Centre is charged with 'assuring the safe-keeping and the management of the national archival heritage'.

The objective of these missions was to translate into concrete actions the powers of CNA and to proceed with the collection of archival documents of the colonial period that have great historical and research interest. The archivists have been able to see at first hand the condition of the archives in the storage areas serving as repositories, and to appreciate the difficulties with which the officials, responsible for the management of archives in different services, are confronted: a lack of infrastructure, storage areas cluttered with unusual objects, rainwater (leaking roofs)... The entire content of some storage areas has been destroyed by termites, but in others some documents have fortunately been recovered.

All the same, the lack of financial and material resources of the Centre to become responsible for, and to motivate, the officials entrusted with the management of archives, has hindered the smooth process of collecting the documents. The raising of awareness at national level, aimed at the regional governors, and approaches to particular holders of historical archives, will certainly make more visible the profile of archives, their role and their importance in the economic and social development of our young nation.

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The Centre for Documentation and Research (CDR) of Abu Dhabi,

the director of which is Dr Abdulla El Reyes, vice-president of ICA, faces ever increasing demands from archivists and researchers of the Arab world and elsewhere for advice on archival matters. In order to respond to these expectations, the Centre has launched several initiatives:

1 The digitisation of seven million pieces of historical archives about the Arab world, and particularly the Gulf countries, with a view to making them accessible on the Internet;

2 A training programme for archivists, in collaboration with the High College of Technology of Abu Dhabi, from the start of the new educational year in September 2006; this training will be open to archivists from all Arab countries, especially the Gulf Region;

3 The translation into Arabic of the new ICA workbook on electronic archives: *Electronic Records: A Workbook for Archivists* (ICA Study 16, 2005) in English; this document is now being finalised;

4 Technical assistance proposed to the archives centres of the Gulf countries; thus an expert from the CDR has carried out a mission of fifteen days in Jeddah, in Saudi Arabia, with a view to proceeding with a diagnosis of the condition of the archives, then with proposing a development plan for this sector in three phases up to 2013;

5 A programme for a conservation centre for archives and manuscripts for the Gulf countries, and any other Arab country who wishes to be involved, in collaboration with ICCROM, for which the confirmation is awaited;

6 The signing of a memorandum of agreement between the Centre for Documentation and Research and the company FileNet-GCC for the development of archives at the level of the Gulf countries; and discussions continue with the company FileNet for an international partnership with the International Council on Archives.

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ICA STUDY 11 GUIDELINES ON DISASTER PREVENTION AND CONTROL IN ARCHIVES is available in electronic format from the ICA website <http://www.ica.org/biblio.php?pdocid=452>
These guidelines were compiled by the former ICA Committee on Disaster Prevention (ICA/PDP). The purpose of these Guidelines is to assist archives and archivists in need of guidance to implement a disaster management policy and strategy. (December 1997)
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ICA STUDY 18 RADIOACTIVE WASTE INFORMATION: MEETING OUR OBLIGATIONS TO FUTURE GENERATIONS WITH REGARD TO THE SAFETY OF WASTE DISPOSAL FACILITIES, Gavan McCarthy, Ian Upshall
This study is the result of a project run by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) from 2002 to investigate the issues surrounding the preservation and transfer to future generations of information important to the safety of radioactive waste disposal facilities. The study highlights the critical role played by contextual information and suggests means by which it may be better utilized. The principal authors, Gavan McCarthy and Ian Upshall, brought substantive experience from both the archival profession and the radioactive waste industry so it was deemed appropriate that the work be also published by the International Council on Archives (ICA).
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PROCEEDINGS OF THE 2005 SEMINAR OF ICA/SUV "COMPARISON OF CENTRAL, NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY ARCHIVES WITH OTHER UNIVERSITY ARCHIVES AROUND THE WORLD",
The Proceedings of the 2005 Seminar of ICA/SUV, with the theme, "Comparison of Central, North and South American College and University Archives with other University Archives around the World", are now available in electronic format at <http://archives.msu.edu/icasuv/presentations.htm>
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Call for proposals for *Comma*

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Flash is looking for contributions!

Flash is your newsletter! If you have a newsflash for the archives world, send it to ICA. The closing date for the next issue is 15 December 2006.