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INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR NON-DESTRUCTIVE TESTING

**MINUTES OF 27th MEETING, Rome 15th WCNDT
Thursday 19 October 2000**

WELCOME

President Nardoni welcomed all the participants to the meeting.

ATTENDANCE

ARGENTINA	Maria Isabel Lopez Pumarega	NDT Department, CNEA
AUSTRALIA	John Maccarone	Federal President Australian Institute for NDT
	Tony Sonneveld	Honorary Member Australian Institute for NDT
AUSTRIA	Heinrich Theiretzbacher	Chairman of Certification Board OGzfp
	Gerhard Aufricht	Vice-President OGzfp
BANGLADESH	Mahi U Khan	General Secretary Bangladesh Society for Non- Destructive Testing (BSNDT)
BELARUS	Zemfira Nikiforova	President Belorussian Association on NDT and Technical Diagnostics (BANDT)
	Y Stabrovskaja	BANDT
BELGIUM	Frederic Carpentier	Secretary of Certification Office BANT
	Martine Wevers	BANT
BRAZIL	Maria Isabel Gebrael	President Abende (Associacao Brasileira de Ensaio nao Destrutivos)
	Joao Conte	Executive Director ABENDE

BULGARIA	Aleksander Skordev	President Bulgarian Society for NDT
CANADA	Douglas J Marshall	Managing Director Canadian Institute for Nondestructive Testing (CINDE)
	Douglas Whitely	President Membership CINDE
CHINA	Rong Sheng Geng	President Chinese Society for Non-Destructive Testing
COLOMBIA	Carlos Vitez	Representative of Colombian NDT Society which is to be set up
CROATIA	Vjera Krstelj	President Croatian NDT Society (CrSNDT)
CZECH REPUBLIC	Jaroslav Obraz	President Czech Society for NDT (CNDT)
	Josef Sikula	Vice President CNDT
DENMARK	Bjarne Larsen	President Danish Society for NDT
FRANCE	Michel Poudrai	Permanent Secretary COFREND
GERMANY	Hans Aisenbrey	President DGzfp
	Dr Rainer Link	Vice-President, Managing Director and Member of the Board DGzfp
HELLAS	Prassionakis Ioannis	President Hellenic Society of NonDestructive Testing (HSNT)
HUNGARY	Ferenc Fücsök	Chairman Organisation of Non-destructive Testing Scientific Society of Mechanical Engineering
INDIA	Dr Baldev Raj	President Indian Society of NDT
IRAN	K Mahzoon	
ISRAEL	G Shoef	ISRANDT

ITALY	G Nardoni	President AIPnD
JAPAN	M Takagi	JSNDI
	Morio Onoe	JSNDI
JORDAN	Issa Qandah	Jordan Air Motive NDT-Met Dept (Dept. Head)
KENYA	John K Chege	NDT Society of Kenya
KOREA	Kyoo Kun Koh	President Korean Society for NonDestructive Testing (KSNT)
	Oh-Yang Kwon	Vice-President KSNT
Libya*	Saadoun Eswihli	Centre for Advanced Technology
LITHUANIA	R Kazys	Lithuanian NDT
NETHERLANDS	Hans Boogaard	President KINT
NIGERIA*	Ralph Davies	Nigerian NDT Society
Pakistan*	Asghar Khan	IAEA (proxy from Pakistan Society)
POLAND	Jan S Mottl	President Polish Society for NDT and Technical Diagnostics - SIMP
RUSSIA	Vladimir Klyuev	President RSNDTTD
SLOVAKIA	Pavel Gabriška	Vice-President Slovak Society for Nondestructive Testing (SSNDT)
SLOVENIA*	Janez Grum	President Slovenian Society for NDT
SOUTH AFRICA	Alain Clavier	Immediate Past President South African Institute of NDT (SAINT)
SPAIN	Emilio Romero	President AEND (Asociacion Espanola de Ensayos no Destructivos)
SWITZERLAND	Thomas Luthi	President Swiss Society for Nondestructive Testing, SGZP
TAIWAN	Tsung-Tsong Wu	Executive Board Member SNTCT

TUNISIA	Kaab Bougherra	COTEND
	Mohamed Ben Abdallah	COTEND
	Ferid Herrelli	COTEND
TURKEY	C Hakan Gúr	Vice-Chairman NDT Committee - Chamber of Metallurgical Engineers of Turkey
UKRAINE	Vladimir Troitskij	USNDT
	Andrey Shekero	USNDT
UNITED KINGDOM	M Gallagher	Secretary British Institute of NDT
	P Mudge	President British Institute of NDT
	J M Farley	Honorary Secretary British Institute of NDT
URUGUAY*	Silvia Infansón	President AENDUR (Asociacion Uruguaya de Ensayos No Destructivos)
USA	Robert Duggart	ASNT
VENEZUELA	Carlos Gonzalez	ASOVEND, Venezuela

* New Member

MEMBERSHIP WORKING GROUP

Douglas Marshall (Chairman) presented a report from his Working Group. This had been previously endorsed by the PGP. It was agreed unanimously that the Societies listed below be admitted to full membership:

Ireland	Irish Institute of Welding & Engineering Inspection (not present @ meeting)
Libya	Libya Society for Nondestructive Testing (not present @ meeting)
Nigeria	Nigerian NDT Society
Pakistan	Pakistan Society for Nondestructive Testing
Slovenia	Slovak Society for Nondestructive Testing
Uruguay	Uruguay Association for Nondestructive Testing

It was further agreed that Sri Lanka would be admitted once the Membership Chairman was satisfied of the not-for-profit nature of the applicant society.

The committee indicated changes to its Terms of Reference that should be considered during the fine-tuning of the Constitution:-

- 1.3 Should present results at second full ICNDT meeting of each conference
- 1.6 The group should have the option of arranging a postal ballot

ELECTION OF ICNDT OFFICERS

Due to the involvement of Mr Nardoni, Dr Farley and Dr Vahaviolos as candidates, Dr Baldev Raj took over Chairmanship of the meeting Dr Vahaviolos transferred his vote to Mr Doggart , Douglas Marshall to Doug Whitely and Dr Farley his vote to Mr Mudge.

Professor Onoe and Mr Boogaard were appointed as Tellers for the voting.

Mr Doggart sought clarification of the procedures to be used for voting. It was agreed unanimously to adopt a secret ballot for each election where voting was required and to hold the four elections (Chairman, Secretary, P&GP and Secretariat) in sequence. The representative for Canada, Doug Whitely advised that Douglas Marshall no longer wished to stand for the position of General Secretary.

Chairman of ICNDT:

41 valid votes cast, 28 for Mr Nardoni, 12 for Mr Marshall, 1 spoiled. Mr Nardoni declared duly elected by Dr Baldev Raj.

General Secretary:

Mr Marshall announced that he no longer wished to stand for election.

In the absence of other candidates Dr Baldev Raj declared Dr Mike Farley duly elected.

Policy and General Purposes Committee (2 representatives from ICNDT):

A maximum of two votes were available to each of 41 voting delegates. 41 x 2 valid votes were cast as follows:

Dr Link	31
Dr Vahaviolos	28
Mr Sonneveld	17

Dr Link and Dr Vahaviolos were announced as duly elected by Dr Baldev Raj.

Secretariat:

Votes were cast as follows:

Italy	25
Canada	15

Dr Baldev Raj announced that the Italian NDT Society was duly elected to provide the Secretariat to the ICNDT and its committees (excluding the World Conference) for the next four years.

ICNDT Fund:

In the absence of other nominations the Austria NDT Society was elected to hold the ICNDT Fund when the necessary procedures are established. The election of an ICNDT Trustee was postponed.

Honorary Member:

The proposal of Mr Aufricht (Austria) for Honorary Membership by Mr Nardoni and Dr Baldev Raj was carried with one abstention.

Professor Onoe and Mr Boogaard were duly thanked and Mr Nardoni expressed his pleasure at taking on the new and important post of ICNDT Chairman.

Discussion followed on the nomination of representatives of Regional/Continental Groupings. This is the responsibility of these groups. In response to a question Mr Nardoni advised that representatives would be invited to the PGP from the proposed 'Africa' continental group once this was properly constituted, following the IAEA initiative.

The European Federation (EFNDT) had met on 18 October 2000 and elected Mr Roche (President) and Dr Link (Member, Board of Directors) as its nominees.

REPORT ON 15TH WORLD CONFERENCE

Mr Nardoni and Mr Gatti will prepare and publish conference accounts in due course. There had been 2144 people present at the conference up to Thursday, comprising 640 full fee participants, 147 students, 21 in discounted fees, 186 accompanying persons, 362 other visitors to the exhibition, 58 invited persons and 730 Exhibitors and staff (from 100 Exhibiting companies).

The "Major Sponsor" was Agfa and there were seven other "Exclusive Sponsors": Gilardoni, ICIM, COFAR, RTD, MDS Nordon, CGM and NDT-net who have been responsible for the Conference Proceedings, provided for the first time as a Compact Disc with the benefits of full colour.

In broad financial terms Mr Nardoni stated that the Italian Society had spent about 60,000\$ in four years on computers, software, two part-time staff, publication of the ICNDT Journal and travel/expenses. The balance of the income vs expenditure of the conference is expected to be about 100,000\$.

ACTIVITIES OF WORKING GROUPS

WG1 CERTIFICATION HARMONISATION - Dr M Farley

The Task Group led by Mr Aufricht on Update of ICNDT Recommendation Document ICNDT-WH-85 Rev.01 has completed its work. It was agreed unanimously that the document should be forwarded as a Draft for CENT-TC 138 and ISO TC 135 with a request that the two committees consider it jointly. Mr Aufricht's Task Group will remain available to support this initiative and pass on comments from ICNDT.

On a proposal by USA, seconded by the Netherlands it was agreed unanimously to form three new Task Groups each focused on key issues/recommendations arising from the ICNDT Seminar on ISO9712. These Task Groups are:

- Recognition of ISO9712 by ASME
- Recognition of ISO9712 in Europe
- Specific of Test Specimens and Required Performance in Practical Examinations

Representation of volunteers to serve on the Task Groups will be sought by e-mail.

WG2 ICNDT INTERNET COMMUNICATIONS - Professor M Onoe

Dr Farley explained that in future e-mail would be the main method of communication and the Web Site 'ICNDTnet-Internet for ICNDT' would be used to make all documents and minutes available.

The report prepared by Professor Onoe and his Working Group was approved for implementation by the Secretariat. Professor Onoe kindly offered to continue to manage his own Web Site but recommended that to improve public accessibility the Secretariat should set up ICNDT.org with a link to his ICNDT site at:

<http://www.ricoh.co.jp/net-messena/NDTWW/INTERN/ICNDT.html>

Mr Nardoni agreed this would be done soon.

WG3 Research and University Education Working Group

It was agreed unanimously to establish a new Working Group led by Dr Baldev Raj with objectives, to be defined by the group, including liaison with the World Federation of NDT Centres and other similar networks. The members will be Dr Baldev Raj, Dr Klyuev, Dr Vahaviolos, Dr Link and Dr Guo.

Mr Khan (IAEA) advised that a Syllabus and training materials for course on NDT for Engineers have been prepared by IAEA and are available on request.

DEVELOPMENT OF OPERATING PROCEDURES AND RULES

On a proposal by Mr Doggart, seconded by Mr Sonneveld it was agreed to establish a Task Group made up of Douglas Marshall, Dr Baldev Raj, Dr Vahaviolos, Dr Klyuev to develop Operating Procedures and Rules to complement the Constitution and Terms of Reference to cover:

- Membership
- ICNDT Fund
- World Conference
- Honorary Membership and Awards
- Approval of External Communications

Fine Tuning of Constitution and Terms of Reference

On a proposal by Mr Doggart seconded by Mr Aufricht it was agreed unanimously to request the General Secretary to issue a timetabled plan to the full ICNDT covering the process for:

- Receipt of comments
- Circulation of comments
- Discussion and review
- Presentation of proposals
- Vote to approve

TIMETABLE OF MEETINGS

The next full ICNDT meeting will be held during the course of the European Conference on NDT in Barcelona, Spain, June 2002 and the following one in Montreal in August 2004. PGP meetings (one per year) will be held in Brisbane (September 2001) and Barcelona (June 2002). The decision on locations for 2003 and 2004 was postponed.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (i) Dr Rong Sheng Geng, President of the Chinese NDT Society suggested that ICNDT should use the banners of the individual NDT Societies rather than the flags of countries
- (ii) Mr Doggart, President of ASNT advised that he had abstained in the vote for Honorary Member because he was not clear if the correct procedure had been followed. Mr Nardoni replied saying that ICNDT procedures, used through all 27 meetings, had always been on the principle of seeking consensus and common goals and had served the organisation well.

Should Nardoni's proposal to change the Closing Ceremonies be addressed as it was discussed at the meeting? I real don't see a need by does Parlimentary Rules indicate all topics be recorded..

CLOSING OF MEETING AND WORLD CONFERENCE

Mr Nardoni thanked participants for their attendance and reminded everyone to attend the closing ceremony.

Minutes prepared by Dr J M Farley - ICNDT General Secretary