FIAV’s THIRTIETH ANNIVERSARY 1969-1999

FIAV was officially founded on September 7, 1969 at the Third International Congress of Vexillology held in Boston, Massachusetts, USA, September 5-7, 1969. To begin the celebration of our thirtieth anniversary, this issue of Info-FIAV includes comprehensive lists of past and present officers, awards, and meetings.

ACTIONS BY THE FIAV BOARD

Acting under article 19 of the constitution, the FIAV board has taken several actions since it was elected in Cape Town. First, the board has reserved the Internet domain fiav.org pending further discussion in Victoria about a FIAV website. The only current use of the domain is for e-mail addresses for the board members. Mr. Jon Radel of Alexandria, Virginia USA has kindly provided e-mail message forwarding at no cost to FIAV.

Second, the board—in consultation with FIAV’s membership—has designated standard translations of FIAV’s name in French, Spanish, English, and German. These translations appear on the masthead of this issue of Info-FIAV.

Third, the board has proposed the adoption of precise color specifications for FIAV’s flag, using the Pantone Matching System (PMS). The proposed colors are yellow (PMS U123) and blue (PMS U293).

Fourth, the board has determined it will convene the Sixteenth General Assembly in Victoria, British Columbia, Canada on July 29, July 30, and August 1, 1999.

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EIGHTEENTH INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF VEXILLOLOGY,
VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA
JULY 28 TO AUGUST 2, 1999

The 18th International Congress of Vexillology will be held in Victoria, British Columbia, Canada. The meeting will be held July 28 to August 2, 1999. Please make this information available to the individual members of your association or institution.

The Hosts

ICV 18 is co-hosted by the Canadian Flag Association/L'Association canadienne de vexillologie (CFA) and the North American Vexillological Association (NAVA). The heads of the congress organizing committee are Chantal Webb and Jamie Webb, owners of Victoria's The Flag Shop.

The Venue

ICV 18 will be held on the waterfront of the Victoria Inner Harbour. The Inner Harbour is the main vantage point used in promotional materials about Victoria. It consists of a vibrant tourist area, business area, and working harbor. The Inner Harbour was designed to provide ready access to shopping, art and craft markets, hotels, restaurants and pubs, museums, cinemas, theaters, and other exciting attractions. A big attraction for most visitors to the Inner Harbour is to enjoy high tea at The Empress Hotel. You can watch the ferries coming and going, have a meal at any of the many restaurants in the vicinity, or stroll along the dock and floats.

A block of rooms has been reserved for delegates at the Laurel Point Inn, and you are encouraged to take advantage of the reduced rate negotiated for you. There are many other hotels and motels in the Inner Harbour area, allowing you to walk to the venue and enjoy the downtown amenities.

ICV 18 will be held at the Laurel Point Inn. It is a modern and fully equipped hotel which has been recently expanded. It is located directly on the waterfront in the heart of the Inner Harbour area of Victoria. The cost for full registration is estimated at this time to be US$300.00. This may be reduced as sponsors are recruited. The registration fee will include attendance, organized tours, coffee breaks and lunches, and the congress luncheon. This fee does not include the proceedings, which CFA will produce and sell separately. Final details will be provided in the registration package.

Intention to Attend ICV 18

In order that the ICV 18 organizing committee can have a firm planning basis, potential delegates are requested to signal their intention by contacting the organizing committee:

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An intention-to-attend form is available online at www.nava.org/icvform.htm. Further information about the congress is available online at www.nava.org/icv18.htm.

Papers

Delegates wishing to read papers at ICV 18 are requested to submit their papers within the parameters indicated below. The program makes provision for thirty-three papers to be delivered. All delegates wishing their papers to be considered, must ensure that the papers reach the following address no later than March 15, 1999:
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All papers will be evaluated for acceptance. All papers not accepted will be returned to their authors. Those authors whose papers are accepted will be advised before the end of June 1999. A paper will not be permitted to be presented unless it is turned in and complete.

Papers must be submitted in double-spaced typed format and single-sided on A4-size or 8.5" x 11" paper. Each paper must be accompanied by an abstract (preferably in English) not exceeding half a page. The text and abstract will be included in the congress proceedings. The text and abstract can also be submitted on a 3.5" diskette in MS Word for Windows. Slides, videos, actual flag displays, and hand-outs are strongly encouraged.

Each paper must also be accompanied by a short fifty-word curriculum vitae of the author with particular emphasis on the author’s vexillological attributes. An optional passport-size photograph (black and white or color) may be included for publication in the congress proceedings.

The time allocated for each paper on the program is twenty minutes, followed by ten minutes for questions and discussion. The moderators for each session will be required to hold speakers to this strict time limit.

Languages

The official languages for ICV 18 are English, French, German, and Spanish. In principle, papers can be submitted and delivered in any of these languages. A simultaneous translation service is being planned for the congress, for delivery in any of the four official languages. The German and Spanish languages are, however, not often encountered in Canada. The official working languages of the congress will therefore be English and French.

Congress Proceedings

CFA plans to publish all papers delivered in the congress proceedings. Consideration will also be given to publishing some of the suitable undelivered papers for which no time could be allocated.

Display Area

A display area will be available for use by delegates wishing to display publications, collections and other flag-related material. Reservations will be done on a first-come, first-served basis. In addition, an industry display area will also be set aside.

Accommodation Details

Approximate Daily Room Rates in US$

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Prices are based on an exchange rate of CAN$0.69 to US$1.00.

The organizing committee has negotiated a price of approximately US$105 for a single or double room at the Laurel Point Inn (a 5-star hotel). In addition, there are a number of bed-and-breakfast and youth hostel establishments nearby.

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Canadian Airlines International has been selected as the official airline for ICV 18. As a result, a discount airfare package has been negotiated. Please quote Star number M02100 when making your reservations.
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Johannes Klein September 17, 1973 to September 29, 1983
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Mario Gibellini April 17, 1975 to September 29, 1983
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Frederick G. Brownell             July 5, 1995
Aleš Brožek                      August 15, 1997

General Assembly Agenda Notice

The next issue of *Info-Flav* will be published April 1, 1999 and will contain the agenda for the Sixteenth General Assembly. FIAV members wishing to place items on the agenda, including bids to host future International Congresses of Vexillology and proposed amendments to the constitution, must submit the items to the secretary-general no later than March 1, 1999. The board also welcomes suggestions concerning qualified candidates for the Vexillon Award.

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An attempt has been made to include basic information about periodical publications published by FIAV members. International Standard Serial Numbers (ISSN) have been included when known. Members are encouraged to obtain an ISSN for all past and present periodical publications. Information on obtaining an ISSN is available online from the ISSN International Centre in Paris at www.isss.org.

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Member Since: 81 Aug 27
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Member Since: 71 Jun 24
Membership Status: full
Nationality: United Kingdom
Periodical Publications: Flagmaster (ISSN 0142-1271; English; semiannual since 78)
Flag Institute Bulletin (ISSN 0309-085X; English; irregular from 77 to 78)
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Member Since: 69 Sep 7 (charter)
Membership Status: full
Nationality: USA
Periodical Publications: The Flag Bulletin (ISSN 0015-3370; English; bimonthly since 61)
Flag Specification Sheets (English; irregular since 60)
End of the Year Review (English; annual since 76)
News from the Vexillarium (English; irregular since 82)
Flag Etiquette & Usage Standards (English; irregular since 96)
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Periodical Publication: It-Tarka u 'Bandiera/The Shield and the Flag (English)

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Periodical Publication: none

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Established: ?
Member Since: 69 Sep 7 (charter)
Membership Status: full
Nationality: USA
Periodical Publications: the New Constellation (ISSN 1048-7980; English; three times a year since 90)
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Established: 66 Jun 19
Member Since: 69 Sep 7 (charter)
Membership Status: full
Nationality: Netherlands
Periodical Publication: Vexilla Nostra (ISSN 1382-2497; Dutch; bimonthly since 66)

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Member Since: 73 Sep 14
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Nationalities: Denmark, Iceland, Finland, Norway, and Sweden
Periodical Publications: Nordisk Flagkontakt (ISSN 0109-7539; multilingual; semiannual since 85)
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Member Since: 69 Sep 7 (charter)
Membership Status: full
Nationalities: Canada and USA
Periodical Publications: NAVA News (ISSN 1053-3338; English; bimonthly since 67)
Raven: A Journal of Vexillology (ISSN 1071-0043; English; annual since 94)
NAVA Yearbook (English; annual from 73 to 83)
NAVA Handbook (English; 86 and 89)
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Member Since: 85 May 28
Membership Status: full
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Periodical Publication: Liesuvat Värit (ISSN 0357-1432; Finnish; quarterly since 70)

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Member Since: 95 Jul 3
Membership Status: full
Nationality: Poland
Periodical Publication: none

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Member Since: 69 Sep 7 (charter)
Membership Status: full
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Periodical Publication: Vexilla Helvetica (since 69)

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Established: 77 Oct 31
Member Since: 79 Jun 29
Membership Status: full
Nationality: Spain
Periodical Publications: Banderas (ISSN 0213-0955; Spanish; quarterly since 79)
Gaceta de Banderas (Spanish; eight times a year since 79 (in collaboration with Centre Belgo-Européen d'Études des Drapeaux))
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Established: 77 Aug 30
Member Since: 79 Jun 29
Membership Status: full
Nationality: Belgium
Periodical Publications: Vexilla Belgica (ISSN 0772-3261; multilingual; annual since 77)
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Established: 85 Mar 16
Member Since: 91 Jul 1
Membership Status: full
Nationality: France
Periodical Publications: Franciae Vexilla (ISSN 1270-0096; French; quarterly since 96)
Emblèmes et pavillons (ISSN 0769-7864; French; quarterly from 85 to 96)
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Established: ?
Member Since: 91 Jul 2
Membership Status: full
Nationalities: Angola, Botswana, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, Swaziland, Zambia, and Zimbabwe
Periodical Publications: SAVA Journal (English)
SAVA Newsletter (English)

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Established: 74 Jul 1
Member Since: 75 Apr 17
Membership Status: full
Nationality: USA
Periodical Publication: Flags (English; from 75 to 78)
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Member Since: 95 Jul 3
Membership Status: full
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Periodical Publication: Знак (Znak)/The Sign (Ukrainian)

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Member Since: 69 Sep 7 (charter)
Membership Status: full
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Periodical Publication: none

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Member Since: 85 May 31
Membership Status: full
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Periodical Publication: Meddelande från VSHS (Swedish; irregular)
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Established: 72 Jan 29
Member Since: 91 Jul 1 (honorary affiliate); 93 Aug 23 (full)
Membership Status: full
Nationality: Czech Republic
Periodical Publication(s): Vexiologie (ISSN 1211-2615; Czech (English translations of articles available); since 72)
Vexillological Letters (Czech; irregular)
Vexillokontakt (Czech; irregular (in collaboration with Støedisko Vexilologických Informací/Flag Data Centre))

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Member Since: 93 Aug 23
Membership Status: full
Nationality: Germany
Periodical Publication: Flaggen, Wappen und Siegel (ISSN 0948-3748; German (in collaboration with Das Flaggenkabinett Berlin))

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Established: 72
Member Since: 95 Jul 5
Membership Status: full
Nationality: Hungary
Periodical Publication: Zászlóvilág/Flagworld (Hungarian)
Notes: changed name in late 95 from Magyar Vexillológiai Társaság/Hungarian Vexillological Association (HUVA)

FORMER MEMBERS

Accademia di San Marciano, Sezione Vexillologica (ASM)
Established: 67 summer
Member Since: 69 Sep 7 (charter)
Membership Status: former (removed 87 Aug 13)
Nationality: Italy
Periodical Publication: Armi Antiche (ISSN 0403-2268; multilingual; annual since 54)
Notes: flag section ceased to be active 75
Association française d'études internationales de vexillogie (AFEIV)
Established: 66 Dec 2
Member Since: 69 Sep 7 (charter)
Membership Status: former (resigned 87)
Nationality: France
Periodical Publication(s): Vexillologia (French; from 69 to 75)
Notes: changed name on 69 Jul 28 from Association internationale d'études vexillogique (AIEV); ceased to be active in late 75 or early 76

Cumann Vexilleolaioch na hÉireann (CVE)
Vexillological Society of Ireland
Established: 84 Mar 3
Member Since: 85 May 28
Membership Status: former (resigned 92)
Nationality: Ireland
Periodical Publication: Irish Vexillology Newsletter (from 84 to 87)

Gesellschaft für Österreichische Heereskunde (GOH)
Established: 72 (established as "study circle"), 75 (became "constituted association")
Member Since: 75 Apr 17
Membership Status: former (resigned 97 Jan 3)
Nationality: Austria
Periodical Publication: Militaria Austriaca (German; since 77)

Heraldry Society, Flag Section (HSFS)
Established: 67 Sep 7
Member Since: 69 Sep 7 (charter)
Membership Status: former (removed 87 Aug 13)
Nationality: United Kingdom
Periodical Publication: Flagmaster (ISSN 0142-5129; English; quarterly from 71 to 75)
Notes: ceased to be active 72 Apr 11

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Member Since: 69 Sep 7 (charter)
Membership Status: former (resigned 85)
Nationality: Belgium
Periodical Publications:
Le Parchemin
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Nationality: Netherlands
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STATUTES AND CONSTITUTION

The FIAV provisional council adopted provisional statutes on September 3, 1967. The FIAV statutes were formally adopted on September 7, 1969 and amended on September 29, 1983. The statutes were replaced by the current FIAV constitution, which was adopted on September 27, 1989. The constitution has been amended only once, on August 12, 1997.

The current text of the constitution is set out below. It contains the exact text as adopted and amended.

CONSTITUTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF VEXILLOLOGICAL ASSOCIATIONS

I. PURPOSES OF THE FEDERATION

Art. 1. The International Federation of Vexillological Associations unites those associations and institutions throughout the world whose object is the pursuit of vexillology, that is the creation and development of a body of knowledge about flags of all types, their forms and functions, and of scientific theories and principles based on that knowledge.

Art. 2 The International Federation of Vexillological Associations (hereafter called “the Federation”) has as its purposes:

a) To create a strong bond among those associations and institutions and to encourage and coordinate their work, studies and research;

b) to promote periodically the organization of International Congresses of Vexillology and to lend its support to their organizers;

c) to encourage the creation in all countries of associations and institutions dedicated to vexillology;

d) to sanction international standards facilitating the development of these activities.

Art. 3 The Federation, being strictly scientific, has no commercial ends and renounces any political or religious activity or stand.

II. HEADQUARTERS

Art. 4 The administrative headquarters of the Federation are located at the residences of its Secretaries-General. It may also have a legal headquarters.

III. MEMBERSHIP

Art. 5 An applicant for membership in the Federation

a) must be an organization of the type expressed in Art. 1 of the Constitution of the Federation;

b) must be committed to the purposes of the Federation expressed in Art. 2 of its Constitution

c) must be constituted in conformity with the laws of the country where it is located.

Art. 6 Full membership in the Federation is open to any association or institution anywhere in the world having as its principal purpose the scientific study of vexillology. Associate membership in the Federation is open to other associations or institutions anywhere in the world having vexillology as a center of subsidiary interest.
The processing of membership applications is the responsibility of the Board of the Federation. The Board may at its discretion devolve the function upon a person appointed by them for this purpose. The procedure consists of the following:

a) The candidate member is to complete the membership application form, which must be received by the Board no later than six months before the opening of the next General Assembly of the Federation.

b) The Board shall consider the form and make recommendation to the General Assembly relative to the applicant and shall communicate that recommendation to the applicant and to existing members of the Federation not later than three months before the opening of the next General Assembly.

c) The Board may recommend acceptance of the applicant as a Full Member, as an Associate Member, or may recommend rejection of the application.

d) The General Assembly at its next meeting shall vote on the application. An authorized representative of the applicant may appear at the meeting to represent its case. A rejected applicant has the right to reapply for membership at any later General Assembly.

The Board and the General Assembly in making their decisions about an applicant shall have regard to the following:

a) The existence of a written constitution and its provisions;

b) the vexillological and non-vexillological activities of the applicant, including

   i. meetings
   ii. publications
   iii. international relations;

c) in the case of an association, the number of its dues-paying members (minimum of five);

d) registration of its members in International Congresses of Vexillology sponsored by the Federation;

e) the length of time it has existed; and

f) the presence of an autochthonous and authorized representative of the applicant at the General Assembly dealing with the membership application.

Art. 7 The voluntary resignation of any Member must be received in writing by the President of the Federation; it is effective upon the date of its receipt.

Art. 8 At its discretion the Board may require a Member to furnish evidence of its continued qualification for membership under the terms set forth in Art. 6. On the basis of this evidence the Board may make a recommendation to the General Assembly on the continuation or modification of the membership of the association or institution. If the recommendation is made to remove a Member from the Federation or change its status from full to associate membership, the Member in question must be notified at least three months in advance of the General Assembly which is to vote on the matter. The Member shall be invited to present its defense before the General Assembly, but shall not participate in the vote on the matter.

Art. 9 Each Member of the Federation regulates its own affairs in complete freedom, limited only by the laws in effect in the territory where it functions. The Federation may not limit the rights of the Members in this respect.

Art. 10 Members of the Federation shall not undertake any activities contrary to the interests of the Federation.

Art. 11 The Federation may not act on behalf of its Members without their authorization expressed in the General Assembly. Members may not make commitments nor act on behalf of the Federation, nor may they hold international meetings for vexillology on their own.

Art. 12 The General Assembly may name as Laureates of the Federation individuals who have made outstanding contributions to vexillology. This status does not confer any right within the Federation.
IV. THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Art. 13 The General Assembly is composed of the officers of the Board together with a delegate from each of the Full and Associate Members of the Federation. Each delegate must present to the President of the General Assembly written credentials from the Member represented. A Member may delegate any or all of its powers in writing to a delegate from any other Member or to an officer of the Federation.

The General Assembly is not validly constituted unless at least half its duly represented Full Members, as determined at the beginning of the session, are present, except as provided for in Art. 24. Each Full Member and each officer of the Board is entitled to one vote in the General Assembly.

Art. 14 Majorities in General Assembly sessions are constituted of the following fractions of those present and voting:

a) a simple majority in the election of an officer. If more than 2 candidates stand for election of an officer, and if no one reaches the simple majority, then the candidate with least votes will be eliminated from the next ballot, and so on.

b) two-thirds for ordinary resolutions; and

c) three-quarters for amendments to the Constitution or dissolution of the Federation.

Art. 15 The powers of the General Assembly are the following:

a) The election of the President and the two Secretaries-General;

b) examination and approval of the administration of the Board and the commissions;

c) the examination of all questions concerning the Federation and in particular the organization of the International Congresses of Vexillology;

d) interpretation of the Constitution of the Federation;

e) the appointment of Laureates of the Federation and the awarding of such distinctions as it deems appropriate to persons or institutions who have shown particular merit in the field of vexillology;

f) the determination of the amount and disposition of the annual dues to be paid by Members;

g) the appointment of special commissions.

Art. 16 The General Assembly meets at least once every two years, normally on the occasion of each International Congress of Vexillology. It must be convened by the Board at least three months in advance with notification of the agenda including any proposed amendments to the Constitution.

Art. 17 The General Assembly may be called into an emergency session if extraordinary conditions require this, as determined by the Board or if three-quarters of the Full Members request this of the Board.

V. ADMINISTRATION OF THE FEDERATION

Art. 18 The administration of the Federation is entrusted to a Board which acts only by unanimous agreement. The Board is composed of the President of the Federation and its two Secretaries-General.

The Board is elected at the end of each General Assembly and serves until the election of the new Board at the next General Assembly. Consent of the nominees for election is required. The Members are eligible for re-election.

The two Secretaries-General shall reside in different continents. One Secretary-General manages the Permanent Secretariat of the Federation and the other manages the Permanent Secretariat of the International Congresses of Vexillology. The Board is considered to be in continuous session, conducted by correspondence. In addition it must meet at least once between the
International Congresses of Vexillology.

Art. 19 The Board of the Federation:

a) Manages the current affairs of the Federation and establishes the duties and obligations of its officers;

b) issues directives which it considers necessary to the success of the activities of the Federation, including the International Congresses of Vexillology;

c) establishes such commissions as it deems necessary and appoints members;

d) convokes General Assemblies in accord with Arts. 16 and 17 of the Constitution;

e) represents the Federation in its relations with other national and international institutions;

f) manages membership procedures in accordance with Art. 6 of the Constitution and encourages the adherence to the Federation of new members.

Art. 20 All acts binding upon the Federation must be signed by the President and both the Secretaries-General. Current correspondence may be signed either by the President or one of the Secretaries-General.

VI. LANGUAGES

Art. 21 The official languages of the International Congresses of Vexillology and of the communications of the Federation shall be English, French, German, and Spanish. Other languages may be used as well, where appropriate.

VII. PUBLICATIONS

Art. 22 The official journal of the Federation is THE FLAG BULLETIN (ISSN 0015-3370). In addition the Federation shall publish a newsletter concerning its activities at least once a year for the benefit of its Members, which may be freely reproduced. The General Assembly may initiate or authorize other publications.

VIII. SYMBOLS

Art. 23 The Flag of the Federation is as described and illustrated in the Recueil du 11 Congrès International de Vexillologie Zurich 1967. The General Assembly may initiate or authorize other symbols for the Federation.

IX. DISSOLUTION

Art. 24 Dissolution of the Federation may be considered only at a session of the General Assembly attended by at least three-quarters of the Full Members. Members prevented from attending the General Assembly may submit written, notarized votes. This General Assembly establishes the terms of the dissolution.

Adopted September 27, 1989 by the General Assembly at the session held during the Thirteenth International Congress of Vexillology at Ballarat, Victoria, Australia.

Amended August 12, 1997 (Art. 14 a) by the General Assembly at the session held during the Seventeenth International Congress of Vexillology at Cape Town, South Africa.
FLAG INFORMATION CODE

The Flag Information Code was adopted on August 27, 1981. The code has been amended only once, on July 5, 1995. The current text of the code is set out below. It contains the exact text as adopted and amended.

The International Federation of Vexillological Associations officially recognizes the following Flag Information Code and recommends its use to its members, to individual vexillologists, and to publishers and others concerned for flags.

FLAG INFORMATION CODE

I. It is clearly understood that use of the Code in no way is indented to substitute for a complete textual exposition of the information to which the symbols of the Code refer.

II. The purposes of the Code are:

A. To allow basic information about flags to be recorded and transmitted concisely, accurately, and in a manner which insofar as possible eliminates misunderstandings and which is both comprehensible to persons knowing different languages and easy to learn;

B. To standardize knowledge of flags in order to facilitate comparative studies of flag characteristics;

C. To provide a convenient system for researchers, publishers, and others to record data for personal use and for exchanges and publication of information.

D. To eliminate insofar as possible the confusion existing in terminology employed by governments and others when reference is made to different flags and flag uses.

III. FLAG COLORS

A. The following letters are adopted for use to indicate the colors of a flag in illustrations:

R  (red)
O  (orange)
Y  (yellow)
V  (green)
B  (blue)
P  (purple)
N  (black)
W  (white)
G  (grey)
M  (brown)
Au (gold)
Ag (silver)

B. Colors other than those listed shall be written out in full.

C. The following symbols are adopted for use in illustrations to indicate approximate color shades of a flag:

-  (light)
- - (very light)
+  (dark)
+ + (very dark)

D. The letters used without any symbol indicate a medium, normal, or unknown shade of the color.

IV. FLAG PROPORTIONS

The following system of identification is adopted for use as part of illustrations of flags of all kinds to indicate relative proportions. The first figure corresponds to the width of the flag, which is defined as the side normally attached to the pole or staff. Thus a flag with a width of 3 units and a length of 5 units shall be written
V. NATIONAL FLAG TYPOLOGY

A. The following symbol is adopted for use in illustrations of flags whose primary purpose is to identify nationality rather than some other characteristic (such as the rank of an individual or the existence of a government or military institution or unit or some other concept):

B. The grid indicates the six basic uses of flags of nationality, i.e. use by private citizens, by public institutions, and by military institutions on land and the corresponding usages at sea. Private, public, and military use are indicated from left to right by the three vertical columns; use on land and at sea are indicated by the top and bottom horizontal columns, respectively.

C. The grid is to be written or printed in the line of identifying text near an illustration of a flag, together with the symbol indicating proportions. The use of the flag design illustrated for one or more of the six uses shall be indicated by placing a point (●) in the appropriate area or areas of the grid in printed versions and an × in the appropriate area or areas in a hand-written version.

D. The following symbol is adopted for use, as appropriate, in illustrations of flags which identify civil and/or military aircraft and air installations, a point (●) or × in the appropriate vertical column above the top horizontal line indicating the usage:

VI. Changes and additions to the Code may be adopted only by a General Assembly of the International Federation of Vexillological Associations. When possible, all such modifications shall be discussed fully in advance by all participants at the International Congress of Vexillology during which the General Assembly is held. Member associations and individual vexillologists are encouraged to consider desirable modifications based on actual experience in using the Code.

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