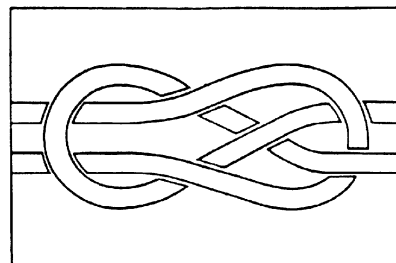

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AGENDA FOR THE TWENTIETH SESSION OF THE FIAV GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO BE CONVENED AUGUST 7, 2007 BERLIN, GERMANY

It is the responsibility of each FIAV Member to forward a copy of this agenda to the person who will serve as the Member's delegate to the General Assembly.

Note: On July 23, 2001, the General Assembly at its Seventeenth Session in York, England, United Kingdom, adopted *Bourinot's Rules of Order* (ISBN 0-7710-8336-X) on a permanent basis.

1. Call to order by President; official opening of the Twentieth Session
2. Verification by the President of written credentials of delegates from FIAV Members
3. Roll call of delegates; recognition of quorum by Secretary-General; declaration by President that the Twentieth Session of the General Assembly is constituted
4. Appointment by President of tellers to count votes
5. Approval of the minutes of the Nineteenth Session of the General Assembly held August 1, 2005 in Buenos Aires, Argentina (published in *Info-FIAV* number 22, pages 16–21, 2007)
6. Reports by the Board:
 - (a) President (Michel Lupant)
 - (b) Secretary-General (Charles Spain)
 - (c) Secretary-General for Congresses (Graham Bartram)
7. Announcements:
 - (a) Proposals to organize ICV 24 (2011)
 - (b) Proposals to organize ICV 25 (2013)
 - (c) Applicants for FIAV membership (arranged in order membership applications were received):
 - (i) Bannieloù Breizh (BB) (received September 21, 2006) (see page 6)
 - (ii) Hrvatskog grboslovno i zastavoslovno društvo (HGZD) (received December 23, 2006) (see pages 7–8)
 - (iii) Indian Vexillological Association (IVA) (received January 31, 2007) (see page 9)
 - (d) Candidates for the FIAV Board
 - (i) President
 - (ii) Secretary-General
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 - (a) BB
 - (b) HGZD
 - (c) IVA

Note: New Members may vote only after all applicants for membership have been considered
10. Selection of ICV 24 (2011) organizer
11. Discussion about ICV 25 (2013) organizer
12. Consideration of Board's resolution regarding vacancies on the Board and revisions to the FIAV flag and Officer flags (see pages 10–11)
13. Consideration of ASV's proposed medals, ribbons, and lapel pins for Laureates of the Federation and Fellows of the Federation (see page 12)
14. Consideration of FSA's proposal to recognize the best paper presented at a Congress (see page 12)
15. Consideration of SAVA's proposal on behalf of Christopher Southworth, Terence Martin, and Andries Burgers to adopt vexillological conventions for flag descriptions (see pages 12–15)
16. Discussion about publication of ICV proceedings in general and specific status of proceedings from:

ICV 5	1973	London, United Kingdom	FI
ICV 9	1981	Ottawa, Canada	FRC, Heraldry Society of Canada, and NAVA
ICV 16	1995	Warszawa, Poland	CFZ, FDC, and PTW
ICV 19	2001	York, England, United Kingdom	FI
ICV 21	2005	Buenos Aires, Argentina	AAV and CIDEC
17. Election of 2007–2009 Board:
 - (a) President
 - (b) Secretary-General
 - (c) Secretary-General for Congresses
18. Final adjournment of the Twentieth Session by President (new Board takes office)



Charles Spain
 FIAV Secretary-General
 Houston, July 7, 2007

COMMENTS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AGENDA

Item 2: Every FIAV Member is **strongly** encouraged to appoint a delegate and alternate to represent it in Berlin. If no person from a FIAV Member is able to come to Berlin, that FIAV Member is **strongly** encouraged to appoint as its delegate either the delegate of another FIAV Member or one of the three FIAV Officers.

Credentials should be brought to Berlin. If at all possible, credentials should be on the Member's official stationery.

The suggested form of written credentials is as follows:

To the President of the Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques:

[Choose one of following two paragraphs:]

[Name of FIAV Member association or institution] appoints [name of person (and alternate, if desired)], who is a member of [name of FIAV Member association or institution], as its delegate to the Twentieth Session of the FIAV General Assembly, to be convened August 7, 2007, in Berlin, Germany. **[or]**

[Name of FIAV Member association or institution] regrets that none of its members is able to attend the Twentieth Session of the FIAV General Assembly, to be convened August 7, 2007, in Berlin, Germany. [Name of FIAV Member association or institution] therefore names as its delegate to the General Assembly [name of person], who is also the delegate of [name of other FIAV Member association or institution] **[or]** who is also the FIAV President **[or]** Secretary-General **[or]** Secretary-General for Congresses.

[Delegate's name] has full powers to act on behalf of [name of FIAV Member association or institution] during the Twentieth Session of the General Assembly [or] The powers of [delegate's name] to act on behalf of [name of FIAV Member association or institution] during the Twentieth Session of the General Assembly are limited as follows: [describe].

[signature of authorized representative of FIAV Member association or institution]
 [printed name]
 [title]
 [date]
 [seal (optional)]

Item 6: The Board will present both oral and written reports in Berlin.

Item 7: The Board has received a proposal from NAVA to organize ICV 24 (2011) in Washington, D.C., USA and a proposal from CVS to organize ICV 25 (2013) in Prague, Czech Republic. The President, Michel R. Lupant, Secretary-General, Charles A. Spain, Jr., and Secretary-General for Congresses, Graham Bartram, announce their intention to stand for re-election.

Item 9: The Board has summarized the membership applications as they relate to the criteria set out in article 7(c) of the FIAV Constitution as follows:

Candidate name	Constitution	Interest in vexillology; Activities	Dues-paying members	Registration at past ICVs	Existence since	Representative at Berlin
BB	statutes	principal; maintains a website, publishes a poster of arms and flags of Brittany, proposes creation of new symbols for the department of Loire-Atlantique, and publishes a semiannual journal	31	no	2004	unknown
HGZD	statutes	primary; maintains a website, publishes a semiannual journal, and maintains relations with other Croatian societies	15	yes	2006	yes

IVA	rules and regulations	primary, create awareness about the Indian flag and other symbols, conduct research on historical flags and emblems, and conduct educational exhibits for students	10	yes	2002	yes
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The Board has not made any recommendations concerning candidates for membership at this time.

Item 12: The Board recommends the approval of its resolution regarding vacancies on the Board and revisions to the FIAV flag and Officer flags. There are comments in the resolution for each of the three proposals.

Item 13: The Board believes there should be appropriate recognition for Laureates of the Federation and Fellows of the Federation, but does not endorse a specific means of recognition. The Board feels there is no urgent need to resolve this issue at the current session if the General Assembly wishes to consider other alternatives. The Board commends AVS for the high quality of its proposal.

Item 14: The Board shares the concerns voiced about the current status of the IAFM Award for the most creative paper delivered at an International Congress of Vexillology, which was adopted on July 30, 1999 at the Sixteenth Session of the General Assembly in Victoria, British Columbia, Canada (see *Info-FIAV* number 15, page 25, 2000). The award was originally proposed on August 14, 1997 at the Fifteenth Session of the General Assembly in Cape Town, South Africa as a recognition for the *best paper* presented at the Congress (see *Info-FIAV* number 10, page 18, 1998). As approved in 1999, the award was to be for US\$100, but in practice that has not occurred. In light of the lapse in presenting the award at ICV 21 in 2005 and the ad hoc award presented for the best paper at that Congress, the Board feels the General Assembly should give serious consideration to this proposal.

Item 15: The Board believes that this proposal for FIAV to adopt vexillological conventions for flag descriptions merits serious study. The Board feels there is no urgent need to adopt this proposal at the current session, and it may well be advisable to appoint a commission to report back to the General Assembly in 2009, possibly as a proposed amendment to the Flag Information Code. The Board commends Messrs. Southworth, Martin, and Burgers for their work.

Item 16: The Board continues to believe FIAV should do whatever is necessary to ensure that the proceedings of all International Congresses of Vexillology are published. The following proceedings are still unpublished or only partially published:

ICV 5	1973	London, United Kingdom	FI
ICV 9	1981	Ottawa, Canada	FRC, Heraldry Society of Canada, and NAVA
ICV 16	1995	Warszawa, Poland	CFZ, FDC, and PTW
ICV 19	2001	York, England, United Kingdom	FI
ICV 21	2005	Buenos Aires, Argentina	AAV and CIDEDEC

ICV 5: All but 3 papers have been published in *The Flag Bulletin*. FI has said it is working with FRC to produce an index of the published and unpublished articles. If the back issues of *The Flag Bulletin* containing the ICV 5 papers are no longer available for purchase, FI has said it will discuss with FRC the possibility of reprinting the ICV 5 papers in either a special issue of *The Flag Bulletin* or a FI publication. FI and FRC have said that the index would be made available later in 2003.

ICV 9: All but one article has been published in *The Flag Bulletin*. NAVA has agreed to assist FRC in producing an index of the published and unpublished articles.

ICV 16: CFZ has produced a CD-ROM containing some of the papers. CFZ has requested that the remaining authors furnish it with an electronic version of their papers so that as many of the papers as possible can be included in a CD-ROM version of the proceedings. PTW and FDC have been asked to assist CFZ in completing the proceedings.

ICV 19: FI has said it is working diligently to publish the proceedings in CD-ROM form.

ICV 21: CIDEDEC has said it is working diligently to publish the proceedings.

Item 18: The Board hopes that the business of the General Assembly can be conducted as efficiently as in recent sessions.

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Territory: France: Brittany
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Territory: Croatia
Established: May 4, 2006 (organized); June 8, 2006 (registered)
Territory: Croatia
Periodical Publication: *Grb i Zastava* (Croatian and English; semiannual; since 2006)

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Territory: India



BANNIELOÙ BREIZH
Association vexillologique et
héraldique de Bretagne.

Plouay le 24 août 2006

Monsieur le Président de la F.I.A.V.,

En tant que Président de l'association Bannieloù Breizh, je suis mandaté pour vous faire parvenir la demande d'adhésion à la Fédération Internationale des Associations Vexillologiques.

Présentation :

a) Vie associative :
Association de type loi 1901, créée le 15 janvier 2004.
Statuts déposés en préfecture de Loire-Atlantique.

Constitution du Conseil d'Administration par vote en février 2004 à Rennes :
Président : Raphaël VINET
Vice-président : Michel vBOLLORÉ
Secrétaire : Hervé RINCEL
Trésorière: Chantal ORHON-TUILLIER
Membres : Divi KERVELLA, Marc GAULTIER,
Gilles LE GOUIL, Franc FORMÉ, Olivier LOZARCH.
Nombre d'adhérents : 31 personnes

Réunions de travail : 2 à 3 fois par an, plus une Assemblée Générale.
Liens et correspondances permanents sur Internet entre les membres du C.A.

b) Travaux effectués :

- Création et animation de notre site Internet par Michel vBOLLORÉ :
Adresse du site : <http://banniel.geobreizh.com/www/banniel/fr-index.asp>
- Poster <<Emblèmes de Bretagne >> constitué d'une carte, d'emblèmes représentatifs de la Bretagne, des armoiries et drapeaux de nombreuses villes et des cinq départements bretons. Édité à 3000 exemplaires.
- Dossier de présentation pour le Conseil Général du département de Loire-Atlantique (44): Rappel des éléments historiques et propositions de nouveaux emblèmes. Avis favorable de Patrick MARÉCHAL Président du Conseil Général.
- Kannadig Bannieloù Breizh : Bulletins biannuels envoyés sur abonnement.

Dans l'attente de votre réponse, je reste à votre entière disposition. Je vous prie de recevoir Monsieur le Président mes sincères salutations.

Monsieur le Président

Raphaël VINET

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Zagreb, December 11, 2006
Br. 5/2006.

**International Federation of Vexillological Associations (FIAV)
Mr. Charles Spain**

To the FIAV Executive Board

Subject: CHVA application to FIAV membership

The **Croatian Heraldic and Vexillologic Association** (CHVA, in Croatian: Hrvatsko grboslovno i zastavoslovno društvo, HGZD) hereby applies for the membership in the **International Federation of Vexillological Associations** (FIAV). The CHVA is established on **May 4, 2006**, in Zagreb. The CHVA is non-governmental and non-profit organization with the goals:

- Advancement of the heraldry and the vexillology as the auxiliary historical sciences and as disciplines of the modern applied art,
- Encouragement and development of wider interest for the heraldry, the vexillology and related studies such as the sphragistics, the phalleristics the genealogy and so on,
- Preservation of the heraldic and the vexillologic inheritance, especially those on the territory of the Republic of Croatia.

The CHVA hereby formally commits itself to the FIAV purposes, as defined in the Article 3 of the Constitution of the FIAV, namely:

- 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.

The CHVA is constituted in conformity with the laws of the Republic of Croatia. According to these, the CHVA is registered in the Public Register of Civic Associations of the Republic of Croatia under the number 21004758 on June 8, 2006 in the local office of the Register in Zagreb. Following this the CHVA is registered at the State Statistics Bureau as a business subject, being granted tax number 2094177. Enclosed, you will find a copy of our Statutes.

These define the goals and activity of the Association, membership application, duties and rights, the bodies of the Association – the Assembly as the highest body of the Associations that elects the elected bodies: the President, the Vice-President, the Secretary and the two other members of the Presidency, as well as the members of the Court of Honour, that is also acting as a supervising committee. The CHVA maintains web site at www.hgzd.hr through which we inform our members and the public on the news in the field of heraldry and vexillology, on the news in the Association and in kindred associations in Croatia and abroad and on other issues – containing texts both in Croatian and English. The membership is also informed occasionally (as needed) through electronic bulletin “Novosti iz HGZD” (CHVA news). The CHVA publishes bulletin named “Grb i zastava” (one issue in 2006, two issues per year are planned).

The CHVA maintains relations with kindred societies in Croatia, like the Croatian Nobility Association, Croatian Genealogic Association “Pavao Riter Vitezović”, Croatian History Society and others, especially coordinating and organizing together lectures and events of common interest. Similarly, the CHVA is in contact with related societies in the world, through personal contact of the members, through exchange of publications and occasional visits with hope to organize joint research project in near future.

The CHVA currently numbers 15 dues-paying members (as per December 11, 2006). Two of our current members have been previously attending the International Congresses of Vexillology (Jelena Borošak-Marijanović, Stockholm, 2003; Željko Heimer, York, 2001, Stockholm, 2003, Buenos Aires, 2005 and both have been registered to attend the next ICV in Berlin, 2007. Similarly, some of our members are regularly attending congresses organized by the International Confederation of Genealogic and Heraldic Societies, CIGH. They or some other CHVA member attending the Congress shall be elected as an autochthonous and authorized representative of CHVA to represent us at the FIAV General Assembly in Berlin, Germany.

Thank you for your consideration of our application. If there is any further information you need or any question you may have, please don't hesitate to write or call to the addresses as standing in the letterhead.

Sincerely,

The CHVA President

**1st Lieutenant
MSc. Željko Heimer**

Attachments:

1. The CHVA Statutes (in Croatian)
2. Copy of Nr. 0 of "Grb i zastava", the CHVA bulletin

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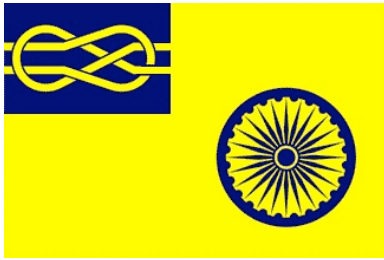
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INDIAN VEXILLOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

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Date : 31-1-2007

To
Charles A. Spain, Jr.
Secretary General,
504 Branard St.
HOUSTON TX 77006-5018
USA

Dear Sir,

I am glad to inform you that, I am sending herewith my Association Bye-laws and my willingness to take Membership in FIAV. The same also sending by post. But, I don't know the Membership fee, how much I have to pay. Let me know for sending the amount immediately.

Hence, I request that, kindly accept my letter.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely
K. SANJEEVA RAO
President.

DOCUMENT No. I MEMORANDUM OF THE SOCIETY

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|---|---------------------------------|--|
| 1 | Name of the Society | INDIAN VEXILLOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION |
| 2 | Location of the Society | H. No: 7-3-412,
Vijayanagar Colony,
Road No: 2, Bi-pass Road,
KHAMMAM - 507 002
Andhra Pradesh, INDIA |
| 3 | Meaning of Vexillology | The scientific study of Flags, their history, symbolism & usage or generally any interest in Flags is called Vexillology. The "VEXILLOLOGY" word derived from Latin 'VEXILLUM' dates from 104 b.c. |
| 4 | <u>Aims and objects:</u> | |
| | a) | Creating awareness among all the citizens of India about the Indian National Flag, National Emblem and National Anthem |
| | b) | Research on Indian historical flags & emblems (Princely States of India, Ramayana and Mahabharat) |
| | c) | Relationship with International Vexillological Associations |
| | d) | Collection of National Flags, emblems of all countries & related information |
| | e) | Educational Exhibitions for student community on requisition by the Education Department / Institutions or any others |
| | f) | To promote National and International integration |

PROPOSAL BY THE FIAV BOARD

Resolution by the FIAV Board

Resolved by the Members of the Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques,

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT OF CONSTITUTION.

(a) Articles 19(d) is amended as follows:

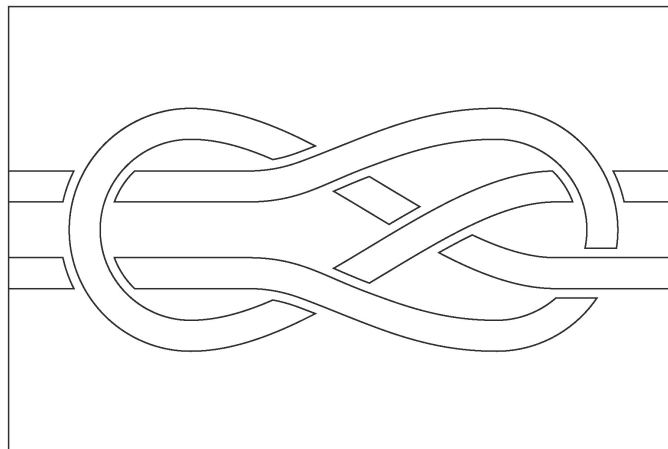
- (d) A vacancy on the Board occurs if [if] an Officer dies, resigns, or lacks mental [is mentally or physically incapable of carrying out the duties of the office,] capacity under the laws where the Officer resides. Absence of an Officer at a session of the General Assembly creates a vacancy on the Board unless excused by the General Assembly. The resignation of an Officer must be received in writing by another Officer, or if no Officer remains, then by the organizer of a previous International Congress of Vexillology (as determined by reverse chronological order). The resignation is effective on the date of its receipt. If a vacancy occurs, the position shall remain vacant and the [those] duties of that Officer shall be performed by the remaining Officers. If no Officer remains to perform the duties of the Board, then the organizer of a previous International Congress of Vexillology (as determined by reverse chronological order) shall select an interim Secretary-General who shall have the limited authority to take those acts necessary to convene a session of the General Assembly pursuant to article 17 or 18 and preside until the General Assembly elects a presiding officer for the remainder of the session.

(b) Comment: With the exception of absences in 1969 and 1973 and the 1997 death in office of past President William Crampton LF, FF, FIAV has been fortunate that the Officers have served their terms and been present at the General Assembly sessions. Rather than wait for a possible crisis to occur, the current Board believes there should be specific provisions in the Constitution to provide continuity should some or all of the Officers be unable to serve or unable to attend the General Assembly session. The proposal specifically prohibits the remaining Officers from filling a vacancy on the Board and looks to the organizer of a previous Congress to select an interim Secretary-General to fill the void should all of the Officers be unable to serve.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT OF CONSTITUTION.

(a) Article 24 is amended as follows:

- Art. 24 (a) FIAV's flag is described as follows: "On a blue field, extending horizontally from hoist to fly, two yellow halyards forming two interlaced loops." The color blue is defined as Pantone Matching System U293 and the color yellow is defined as Pantone Matching System U123. The Flag is illustrated as follows:

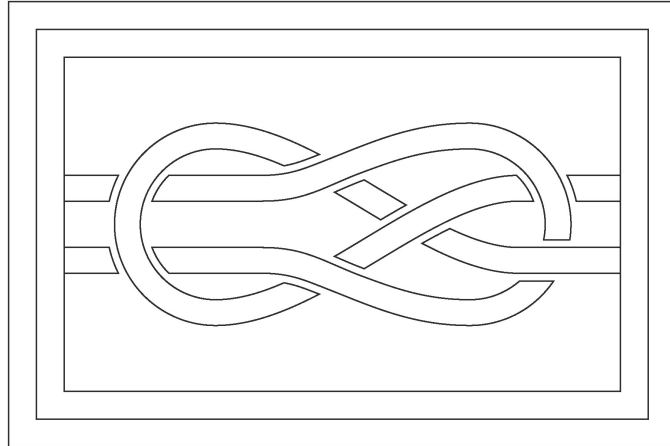


(b) The General Assembly may initiate or authorize other symbols for FIAV.

(b) Comment: The amendment replaces the original 1967 drawing of the FIAV flag with one that is more precise.

SECTION 3. REVISION OF OFFICER FLAGS.

(a) The design for the Officer flags adopted on July 30, 1999 at the Sixteenth Session of the General Assembly in Victoria, British Columbia, Canada (see *Info-FIAV* number 14, page 2, 1999 and *Info-FIAV* number 15, page 25, 2000) is revised as follows:



The colors for each Officer's flag shall remain the same (see *Info-FIAV* number 14, page 2, 1999).

(b) Comment. The revised drawing provides a standard border and is more precise.

SECTION 4. MISCELLANEOUS.

(a) Severability. Each of sections 1, 2, and 3 of this resolution may be separately considered by the General Assembly, and approved or disapproved individually.

(b) Font. Additions to the Constitution are indicated by underlining and deletions to the Constitution are indicated by [~~enclosure in brackets and strikeouts~~]. If approved, the modified text shall appear in nonunderlined font without the bracketed and struck out text.

(c) Comments. The comments to sections 1, 2, and 3 of this resolution are provided for explanatory purposes only and do not form part of the proposed amendment.

(d) Effective date. Each of sections 1, 2, and 3 of this resolution receiving approval shall be immediately effective at the time of its approval.

PROPOSAL BY AVS

AVS proposes the following designs for medals, ribbons, and lapel pins to be presented to Laureates of the Federation and Fellows of the Federation (the blue and yellow colors are those in the FIAV flag):



Laureate of the Federation

Fellow of the Federation

PROPOSAL BY FSA

On July 16, 2005, the Executive of the FSA proposed a new award for best paper:

This award should take over from the initial work of the "flag manufacturers best paper" award, and be included as an officially sanctioned award, with a more representative criteria and panel. The panel should consist of representatives of manufacturers, F.I.A.V. Board, Congress Participant (someone who is delivering a Lecture), and or the Congress Host. This we believe would guarantee that any recipient of this BEST PAPER award would have greater acceptance, as it would take into account the quality of the Lecture's contents, its presentation, and "enjoyment" to the audience, together with encouraging other Vexillologists to prepare their own Lectures at future Congresses. Such a nomination committee would be selected by invitation of the F.I.A.V. Board at the beginning of each Congress.

SAVA'S PROPOSAL ON BEHALF OF CHRISTOPHER SOUTHWORTH, TERENCE MARTIN, AND ANDRIES BURGERS

ORIGINS OF THE CONVENTIONS FOR FLAG DESCRIPTION

Honoured members of FIAV,

Attached herewith is a proposal for a series of Conventions for the description of flags which it is proposed should be adopted by the General Assembly at its meeting on 7 August in Berlin.

These Conventions were devised by Christopher Southworth of the UK, Terence Martin of the USA and Andries Burgers of the RSA. They had their origins in an inconclusive discussion on the FOTW mailing list approximately May/June 2005, on the meaning of certain vexillological terms. Andries Burgers subsequently approached the other two gentlemen (who had in his private opinion made some of the more sober suggestions about the matter under discussion) off list, with the suggestion that they should do something about creating consensus on vexillological conventions.

The upshot was that these three gentlemen agreed together to constitute themselves as an unofficial voluntary committee (or Triumvirate) for the purpose of creating such conventions. They quickly realised, however, that the conventions will not be possible without agreement on a standard terminology to be used and thus (out of sheer necessity) undertook the task of compiling an English language Dictionary of Vexillology. The Dictionary, after having been subjected to peer review by a number of eminent vexillologist and with their constructive criticisms included, was eventually published on the FOTW website in December 2006 with the agreement of the Director of the FOTW, Rob Raeburn, and the ongoing assistance of Dr Phil Nelson. It has since undergone no less than 45 Updates (totalling 900 additions and amendments) – almost doubling in size in the process – which is still ongoing as the DoV is regarded as a living document, which will continue to grow as the terminology used in vexillology continuously develops and expands.

Having got this task well under way, the Triumvirate turned their attention again to the conventions, eventually coming up with a draft which was again submitted for peer review, specifically to the following group of eminent vexillologists: Zeljko Heimer, Croatia; André Coutanche and Ian Sumner, United Kingdom; Joseph McMillan and Phil Nelson, United States. They all thought the proposed Conventions a good idea and all made constructive proposals which resulted in the final document attached hereto and which is now being submitted to the General Assembly of FIAV for adoption.

The proposed Conventions are being presented to FIAV for adoption as they are regarded as falling into the same category as the Colour Code conventions previously adopted by FIAV. They propose a standard way for the vexillological community to describe flags in the same manner as the blazon used in heraldry, but more flexible and less arcane than the blazon.

You are requested to kindly study these proposals for discussion at the next meeting of the General Assembly of FIAV on Tuesday 7 August 2007 in Berlin.

Andries Burgers
For the Triumvirate

VEXILLOLOGICAL CONVENTIONS FOR FLAG DESCRIPTIONS

The following conventions are to standardise the methods used for describing flags in the vexillological community, similar to standards used in the traditional blazon of heraldry.

In the formulation of these conventions, the following guidelines were kept in mind: The conventions must be simple and easy to understand by vexillologists and laymen alike, they must be flexible and capable of being applied to the most complex of flag designs.

The conventions address the dominant design aspects of flags in the following order:

- A. General design and Colours;
- B. Proportions;
- C. Charges; and
- D. Shape if not rectangular.

A. General Design and Colours

- 1) Flags are normally described commencing from the hoist of the obverse side – with the hoist to the left of the observer. (However, in the Arabic tradition, flags are often depicted with the 'reverse' side showing, that is, the hoist is to the right of the observer instead of to the left. The description would still be from the hoist, but progressing to the left instead of to the right.)
- 2) The dominant design feature (and general shape if not rectangular - for further details see section D) of the flag is described using such standard terms as pennant, burgee, plain field, bicolour, tricolour, multi-stripe (with the number of stripes in this last given), striped horizontally, striped vertically etc, as far as possible. If the basic design feature of the flag is a well known established flag or archivexillum it may be used to shorten the description.
- 3) The colours used in the design are described in the following order:
 - a) The colours of vertically striped flag fields are reported from the hoist.
 - b) The colours of horizontally striped fields are reported from the top.
 - c) The colours of diagonally striped flag fields are reported from the hoist.
 - d) The colours of flag fields divided cross-wise are reported in a clock-wise direction starting from the upper hoist canton.

- e) The colours on the fields of flags divided saltire-wise are reported in a clock-wise direction starting at the hoist.
- f) The colours of flag fields divided gyronny-wise are reported starting with the upper most hoist corner with the number of gyrons stated.
- g) Colours may be described using either generally used terminology (blue, light blue, dark blue etc) or the International Colour Code instituted by FIAV (B, B-, B+ etc) and/or if official recommendations/regulations are known, by use of a national or proprietary system (Cable, Pantone etc)
- h) The heraldic terms for tinctures and metals (azure, sable, argent etc) should only be used when blazoning a set of armorial bearings or a part thereof.

B. Proportions

- 1) The overall proportions of a flag are always indicated as the proportion of the hoist to the length and are notated as 1:2, 2:3, 3:5, 12:24 etc. (Notice the use of a colon to separate the individual proportions.)
- 2) The width of horizontal stripes are always stated as a proportion of the width relative to the most narrow stripe, in order from top to bottom, and are notated as 1-1, 1-2, or 2-1-1, 1-2-1 etc. - for example, the width of the flag of Spain would be described as 1-2-1 or that of Columbia as 2-1-1. (Notice the use of a hyphen to separately specify the dimensions of each individual stripe.)
- 3) The width of vertical stripes is always stated as a proportion of the length relative to the narrowest stripe, in order from hoist to fly, and are notated as 1-1, 1-2, or 1-1-1, 1-2-1 etc. – for example, the length of the flag of Canada would be 1-2-1 or that of Andorra as 8-9-8, (Notice the use of a hyphen to separately specify the dimensions of each individual stripe.)
- 4) If overall proportions and internal proportions are expressed together, it is advisable to use a single scale – for example the flag of Columbia should be expressed as 2-1-1 in the width by 6 in the length and this may be expressed as 2-1-1:6.
- 5) The widths of other stripes such as cross, saltire, pall, bend, bend sinister and fimbriations are always stated as a proportion of the width or length of a flag dependent upon orientation and are notated as 1/4, 1/6, 1/15 etc. (Notice the use of fractional notation to separate items.)
- 6) The proportions of the stripes of multi-striped flags, if more than three and of equal width, are notated as a fraction of the width or length dependent upon orientation, i.e. 1/13 of width (Stars and Stripes) or 1/6 of length (Signal Flag Golf).
- 7) It is preferable to state all proportions in whole numbers if possible, for example, the stripes in the flag of Portugal should be stated as 2-3 rather than 1-1.5.

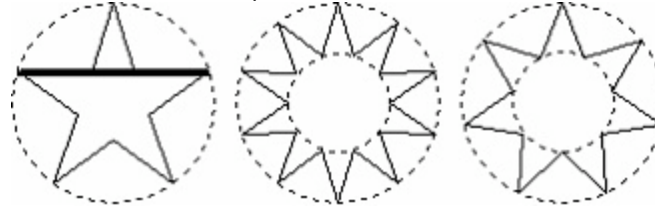
C. Charges

- 1) The position of charges on the field of a flag such as badges and emblems, are always assumed to be centred in the field of the flag or of any subdivision such as a canton, unless described as being otherwise.
- 2) The positions of multiple charges on the field of a flag or any portion or subdivision thereof, is always considered to be equally and regularly spaced unless specifically stated otherwise.
- 3) The height, diameter or other dimensions of charges defacing a flag such as badges and emblems, are always to be stated as a proportion of the width, and/or length, of the flag or stripe it is placed upon.
- 4) If a charge is a coat of arms, the heraldic blazon may be included if known, but only in addition to a description in plain language.
- 5) If the charge is a star (or stars), the following conventions are used:
 - a) The number of points on a star should always be stated.
 - b) A five-pointed star is assumed to be conventionally shaped (that is with the top edges of two points at 90 degrees from the perpendicular) unless otherwise stated.
 - c) On stars other than those of five points, the inner circle that creates the star is assumed to be one-half of the outer circle that circumscribes it unless otherwise stated.
 - d) The orientation of a star (or stars) are described as follows:
 - (i) Stars with an uneven number of points are described as being 'upright' when one point is set towards the top of the flag.
 - (ii) Stars with an uneven number of points are described as being 'inverted' when one point is set towards the bottom of the flag.
 - (iii) Stars with an even number of points where one point is set towards the top and another towards the bottom of the flag, are described as being upright.
 - (iv) When stars are not 'upright' or 'inverted', the orientation is stated by describing the direction of one of the points, or the degrees by which it is offset from the vertical. (Example: China - the four smaller stars are arranged radially each with one point set towards the centre of the larger star; Hong Kong – the stars are inclined 25 degrees towards the hoist, or Turkey - one point is set towards the hoist).
 - (v) Stars are assumed to be 'regular' with the points equally sized and spaced, unless otherwise stated.
 - e) Unless the centre point of a star is specifically defined, its position on the field of a flag may be generally given either where the centre of the circle that circumscribes it is located, or the

midpoint of the height and width, or if more convenient and additionally if required, by describing the location on one (or more) of its points. (Two examples would be Surinam where the top and bottom points are equidistant from the upper and lower stripes, and Nauru where the star's position is defined by the position of the upper point on the lower edge of the centre stripe.)

- f) The dimensions of a star may be given in terms of:
- (i) The diameter of a circumscribed circle (the circle that would just enclose the star).
 - (ii) The height of the star in relation to the width of a stripe. (Example: Ghana - the height of the star equals the width of the centre stripe).

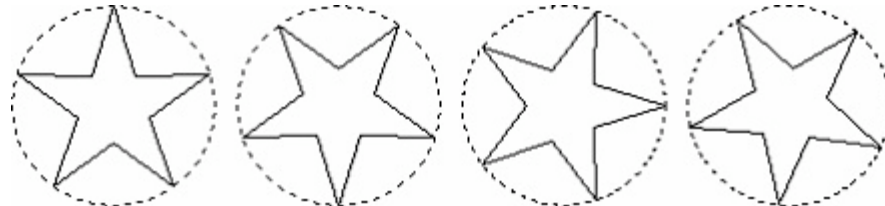
Conventional Star Shapes



Five-Pointed

Multi-Pointed

Star Orientation



Upright

Inverted

Towards Fly

Inclined 30 Degrees

D. Shapes

- 1) Unless otherwise specified, the shape of the flag is assumed to be rectangular. Square flags are considered rectangles with proportions of 1:1.
- 2) If possible, standard terms for non-rectangular flags should be used, such as pennant, burgee, swallow-tail, etc.
- 3) Non-rectangular flags must be described in detail with respect to:
 - a) Depth of swallow-tail or tails from crutch to fly in the case of flags and pennants.
 - b) Angle of variance from the horizontal for pennants and burgees.
 - c) Shape of the fly in the case of multi-tailed flags or single-tailed or multi-tailed pennants.

IN MEMORIAM

FIAV notes with sorrow the death of the following vexillologists:

Grace Rogers Cooper	November 25, 2004
Maria Dogaru	January 2, 2006
Kari K. Laurila	February 10, 2006
Jiří Tenora	March 29, 2006
Juergen Rimann	December 23, 2006
Bernard Le Brun	January 16, 2007
Barrie Kent ^{FF}	February 13, 2007
Klaes Sierksma ^{FF}	March 21, 2007
Howard M. Madaus	July 21, 2007

**MINUTES OF THE NINETEENTH SESSION OF THE FIAV GENERAL ASSEMBLY
AUGUST 1, 2005
BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA**

Summary:

- GA 18 minutes approved as amended
- AVS admitted as Member
- VDCN removed as Member
- Board authorized to select organizer for ICV 23 in 2009
- Current Board re-elected
- Fellows of the Federation presented to Robin B. Ashburner, Roberto Breschi, Aníbal Gotelli, Alberto Rubén Perazzo, John M. Purcell, and Gustav Tracchia
- Vexillon Award presented to Petr Exner and John Purcell
- Best Paper Award presented to Ralph Kelly
- Board selects JAVA to organize ICV 23 in 2009 in Yokohama, Japan

Note: Pursuant to a July 23, 2001 decision of the General Assembly at its Seventeenth Session in York, England, United Kingdom, the General Assembly used *Bourinot's Rules of Order* (ISBN 0-7710-8336-X) as its parliamentary authority.

1. Call to order by President; official opening of the Eighteenth Session The President called the meeting to order on August 1, 2005 at 3:45 p.m. at the Centro Cultural Recoleta in Buenos Aires, Argentina and officially opened the Nineteenth Session of the General Assembly of the Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques.

2. Verification by the President of written credentials of delegates from FIAV Members The President verified the written credentials of the following FIAV Members and Applicants (LF = Laureate of the Federation, FF = Fellow of the Federation):

AAV	Alberto Perazzo
AVS (applicant)	Gustav Tracchia
ACV	Anna-Maria Galán i Pla
BDA	Kevin Harrington
CFA	Kevin Harrington
CEBED	Michel Lupant
CISV	Sebastiá Herreros i Agüí
CVS	Jiří Tenora
CSVA	Philippe Rault
DGF	Andreas Herzfeld
FHF	Whitney Smith LF, FF
FI	Graham Bartram
FRC	Whitney Smith LF, FF
FRCSL	Michel Lupant
FSA	Anthony Burton
FOTW	Željko Heimer
CIDEC	Aníbal Gotelli
GWAV	John Purcell
HS	Michel Lupant

HAVSOM	Michel Lupant
IHW	Roman Klimeš
KVV	Alain Raullet
MZT	Gerd Vehres
NFF	Charles Spain
NEVA	Mason Kaye
NZFA	Michel Lupant
JAVA	Ralph Bartlett ^{FF}
NF	Michael Krag–Juel–Vind–Frijs
NAVA	Edward Kaye
RCVH	Roman Klimeš
SSV	Pascal Gross
SEV	José Alegría Díaz
SVB	Roger Baert
SRV	Michel Lupant
SFV	Alain Raullet
SAVA	Bruce Berry ^{FF}
SVI	Jiří Tenora
TWMF	Whitney Smith ^{LF, FF}
VAST	Scot Guenter ^{LF}
WVRI	Roman Klimeš

3. Roll call of delegates; recognition of quorum by Secretary-General; declaration by President that the Nineteenth Session of the General Assembly is constituted

The SG called the roll with the following result:
Members present (39): AAV, ACV, BDA, CFA, CEBED, CISV, CVS, CSVA, DGF, FHF, FI, FRC, FRCSL, FSA, FOTW, CIDEDEC, GWAV, HS, HAVSOM, IHW, KVV, MZT, NFF, NEVA, NZFA, JAVA, NF, NAVA, RCVH, SSV, SEV, SVB, SRV, SFV, SAVA, SVI, TWMF, VAST, and WVRI.

Members absent (12): CFZ, CBFA, FDC, HVK, MBV, NVvV, PH, PTW, SGHAPG, UHT, VSHS, and VDCN.

Officers present (3): Michel R. Lupant, President; Charles A. Spain, Jr., Secretary-General (SG); and Graham M.P. Bartram, Secretary-General for Congresses (SGC).

The SG determined that 39 of the 51 Members were present, which satisfied the constitutional requirement that delegates of at least half of the Members be present. The SG recognized the presence of a quorum, and the President declared that the Nineteenth Session of the General Assembly was properly constituted.

Because the representatives of 39 Members and 3 Officers were present for a total of 42 possible votes, the SG reminded the General Assembly that a simple majority vote would require 22 votes and a two-thirds majority vote would require 28 votes, as long as the persons authorized to exercise the 42 possible votes remained present.

4. Appointment by President of tellers to count votes

The President appointed Gustav Tracchia and Ralph Kelly as tellers to count votes.

5. Approval of the minutes of the Eighteenth Session of the General Assembly held July 28, 2003 in Stockholm, Sweden

Moved by the SG, seconded by the SGC, "That the minutes of the Eighteenth Session of the General Assembly, as published in *Info-FIAV* number 21, July 2005, be approved." Moved by the SG, seconded by the FRC, "That the motion be amended to reflect the following corrections to the appendix to the minutes of the Eighteenth Session of the General Assembly, as published in *Info-FIAV* number 21, July 2005: (1) page 10, line 6, change from 'It is bestowed to someone' to 'It is bestowed on someone'; (2) page 10, line 11, change from 'According, FIAV' to 'Accordingly, FIAV'; and (3) page 10, line 36, change from 'On July 29, 2003, the FIAV Board presented the Vexillon Award at the reception' to 'On July 29, 2003, the FIAV Board presented Fellowships at the reception.'" Motion to amend

passed by simple majority. Amended motion passed by two-thirds majority.

6. Reports by the Board:

(a) President. Michel Lupant—The President expressed his wish that the discussions in the General Assembly would be plain, short, and respectful. He reminded delegates of the requirement that a motion be seconded.

The President noted that Board operated on the basis of consensus. He personally visited fourteen countries in the past two years and met with representatives of the Asociación Venezolana de Simbología, FRCSL, and the Indian Vexillological Association. The President expressed regret that he had received no communications from vexillologists in Brazil, Columbia, Indonesia, and Pakistan.

(b) Secretary-General. Charles Spain—The SG expressed his appreciation for the hard work of the President and the SGC. He pointed out that the Officers do not always initially agree with each other, but that the cordial and collegial nature of their relationship has always led to consensus decisions with which each Officer has been comfortable.

The SG again thanked Jon Radel for both Mr. Radel's generosity in hosting the Internet domain www.fiaav.org and providing e-mail addresses for the FIAV Officers, as well as having the foresight to reserve the domain in the first place. The SG acknowledged that the FIAV website authorized by the Sixteenth Session of the General Assembly had not yet been established due in part to lack of funds, but expressed his desire to achieve that goal in the near future.

The SG reported that one issue of *Info-FIAV* (numbers 21) was produced and distributed in the last two years. He noted that the amount of correspondence he received in the past two years was small, which he hoped was due to the fact that people were generally pleased with the direction the Board and FIAV have taken in recent years. The SG noted that the single issue of *Info-FIAV* cost US\$163.30 (photocopying US\$102.40 [1,280 pages at US\$0.08 per page] and postage US\$60.90). Thirteen copies of *Info-FIAV* were mailed to Members, costing US\$12.56 each. The distribution of *Info-FIAV* was by e-mailing an Adobe PDF document. His total out-of-pocket expenses for 2003–2005 were US\$233.30, consisting of one issue of *Info-FIAV* and US\$70.00 for registering the Internet domain www.fiaav.org for two years.

(c) Secretary-General for Congresses. Graham Bartram—The SGC first thanked the President and SG for their assistance and second the hosts who have volunteered to organize the International Congresses of Vexillology. He especially thanked Anibal Gotelli, Alberto Perazzo, and the other hosts working with AAV and CIDECA for organizing the current Congress on shorter notice than usual.

The SGC noted that no one had expressed interest in organizing ICV 23 (2009). HAVSOM, JAVA, and NAVA have expressed interest in organizing ICV 24 (2011).

7. Announcements:

(a) Applicants for FIAV membership (arranged in order membership applications were received):

- (i) New Zealand Flag Institute Trust (NZFIT) (received 21 Dec 04). No representative present.
- (ii) Asociación Venezolana de Simbología (AVS) (received 13 Jan 05). Representative

present.

(b) Candidates for the FIAV Board

- (i) President. Michel Lupant announced his candidacy for re-election.
- (ii) Secretary-General. Charles Spain announced his candidacy for re-election.
- (iii) Secretary-General for Congresses. Graham Bartram announced his candidacy for re-election. Andreas Herzfeld announced his candidacy for election.

8. **Report on ICV 22 (Berlin, August 6–10, 2007) organized by DGF and German Historical Museum** Gerd Vehres discussed plans for the Congress, including a possible excursion to Potsdam.

9. Consideration of applicants for membership:

The President reminded the applicants that new Members may vote only after all applicants for membership have been considered.

(a) NZFIT—No representative was present. The Board made no recommendation on NZFIT's admission, and the President did not solicit a motion.

(b) AVS—The Board recommended the admission of AVS. Moved by the SG, seconded by the SGC, "That AVS be admitted as a Member." Passed by two-thirds majority, increasing the number of FIAV Members to 52. AVS is the sixty-first association or institution admitted as a FIAV Member, of which nine are no longer FIAV Members.

The President recognized AVS's delegate, Gustav Tracchia, who was given a seat in the General Assembly. As a result, the number of Members present increased from 39 to 40 (3 Officers were still present). With the admission of one new Member, a simple majority vote still required 22 votes and a two-thirds majority vote required 29 votes, as long as the persons authorized to exercise the 43 possible votes remained present.

10. **Removal of VDCN as a Member due to Derkwillem Visser, Jr.'s death on November 24, 2001** Moved by the SG, seconded by CSVA, "That VDCN be removed as a Member." Article 9 of the Constitution requires that a "Member in question must be notified at least three months in advance of the session of the General Assembly at which there is to be a vote on the matter [removal from FIAV]." The President said he had spoken with the late Mr. Visser's husband regarding the status of VDCN, who indicated he would send a letter regarding VDCN's resignation from FIAV. The President never received the letter. Passed by two-thirds majority, decreasing the number of FIAV Members to 51.

- 11. Selection of ICV 23 (2009) and ICV 24 (2011) organizers** As the SGC previously noted, no bid had been made to organize ICV 23 (2009) or ICV 24 (2011). Moved by the SGC, seconded by NF, "That the Board be authorized to select an organizer for the Twentieth-Third International Congress of Vexillology in 2009 in advance of the Twentieth Session of the General Assembly." Passed by two-thirds majority.
- 12. Discussion about publication of ICV proceedings in general and specific status of proceedings from:**
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| ICV 5 | 1973 | London, United Kingdom | FI |
| ICV 9 | 1981 | Ottawa, Canada | FRC, Heraldry Society of Canada, and NAVA |
| ICV 16 | 1995 | Warszawa, Poland | CFZ, FDC, and PTW |
| ICV 19 | 2001 | York, England, United Kingdom | FI |

The Board yet again expressed its belief that FIAV should do whatever is necessary to ensure that the proceedings from International Congress of Vexillology are published and that this issue continue to be discussed until a resolution is reached.

ICV 5: FI reported that it still intends to publish an index of the published and unpublished articles as part of the report that FI made to the Eighteenth Session of the General Assembly [see *Info-FIAV* number 21, page 8, 2005].

ICV 9: NAVA reported that it still intends to publish an index of the published and unpublished articles as part of the report that NAVA made to the Eighteenth Session of the General Assembly [see *Info-FIAV* number 21, pages 8–9, 2005]. No report from FRC.

ICV 16: No report from CFZ, FDC, or PTW [for previous report, see *Info-FIAV* number 21, page 9, 2005]. IHW's delegate reported that he had spoken with Władysław Serwatowski and Alfred Znamierowski FF. Professor Serwatowski has issued part one of the proceedings in CD-ROM form and is working on the remaining part two, also to be produced in CD-ROM form. Professor Serwatowski had indicated he will send a copy of part one upon request.

ICV 19: FI announced it is still working to publish the proceedings in CD-ROM form.

FOTW graciously offered technical assistance to the past organizers.

- 13. Disappearance of FIAV flag** The SG discussed the disappearance of the FIAV flag presented to FIAV at the Second International Congress of Vexillology (Zürich, Switzerland 1967). This is the flag that is traditionally passed—along with the FIAV gavel—at the closing ceremonies from the current Congress organizer to the organizer of the next Congress.

The Board thanked NAVA for bringing to Buenos Aires the FIAV flag that was used at the Eighteenth International Congress of Vexillology (Victoria, British Columbia, Canada, 1999).

A general discussion occurred about replacing the ceremonial FIAV flag. The SG suggested that streamers could be produced for each Congress, but FRC suggested that an individual Congress streamer should not be displayed on the ceremonial FIAV flag until the proceedings for that Congress are published. FSA indicated its aesthetic opposition to the use of streamers.

- 14. Election of 2005–2007 Board:**

(a) President and Secretary-General—Moved by FRC, seconded by NAVA, "That Michel Lupant and Charles Spain be re-elected as President and Secretary-General, respectively." Passed by simple majority.

(b) Secretary-General for Congresses—JAVA nominated Graham Bartram for Secretary-General of Congresses, seconded by CSVA. MZT nominated Andreas Herzfeld for Secretary-General of Congresses, seconded by DGT. Graham Bartram elected by simple majority.

- 15. Final adjournment of the Nineteenth Session by President** With no further business pending, the President adjourned the Nineteenth Session of the General Assembly at 5:20 p.m. without fixing a time and day for another meeting of the session, noting with approval that the session lasted for only one hour and thirty-five minutes.

APPENDIX TO THE MINUTES

FELLOWS OF THE FEDERATION

On August 5, 2005, the FIAV Board presented Fellowships at the closing banquet, which was held at El Centro de Museos de Buenos Aires. The following is the text of FIAV President Michel Lupant's remarks:

The Seventeenth Session of the General Assembly in York in 2001 created the honor of the Fellow of the Federation. These fellowships acknowledge the efforts of persons who have made significant contributions to vexillology, or have contributed significant service to FIAV or to a FIAV Member.

The theme of the Fellowships awarded tonight is service to FIAV Members. All those honored tonight have put tremendous effort and time into their respective organizations, and FIAV is delighted have the opportunity to recognize them: Robin B. Ashburner, Roberto Breschi, Aníbal Gotelli, Alberto Rubén Perazzo, John M. Purcell, and Gustav Tracchia.

The Board congratulates all the new Fellows.

THE VEXILLON AWARD

On August 5, 2005, the FIAV Board presented the Vexillon Award at the closing banquet, which was held at El Centro de Museos de Buenos Aires. The following is the text of FIAV Secretary-General Charles Spain's remarks:



At the suggestion of the Flag Society of Australia, FIAV established the Vexillon Award in 1989 to recognize the person or persons who have made the most important contribution to vexillology during the two years proceeding the International Congress of Vexillology. Since 1989, the Flag Society of Australia has graciously provided the plaque for the Vexillon, and the FIAV Board has selected the recipient of the Vexillon.

Two Vexillons are being awarded this year for the first time in the Award's sixteen-year history.

First, FIAV bestows the Vexillon to Petr Exner for his *Vexilologický lexikon - vlajky obcí České republiky*, a twenty-one volume set that lists all the Czech city and community flags granted since 1990.

Second, FIAV bestows the Vexillon to John Purcell and the other authors, editors, and staff of *Raven: A Journal of Vexillology* who worked on "American City Flags."

Unfortunately, Petr Exner could not join us at the Congress. His Vexillon will be presented at a later date. The FIAV Board asks John Purcell to come forward and accept the Vexillon for everyone who worked on "American City Flags."

On March 25, 2006, Jaroslav Martykán presented the Vexillon to Petr Exner at the CVS annual meeting.

RECOGNITION OF BEST PAPER DELIVERED AT THE CONGRESS

Because no representatives of the International Association of Flag Manufacturers were present at the Congress, there was no presentation of the IAFM Award. The Board had also heard concerns about the appropriateness of selecting a "creative" paper, as opposed to recognizing superior scholarship. Under the circumstances, the Board decided to create a recognition of the "best" paper delivered at the Twenty-First International Congress of Vexillology, understanding that any future such award must be sanctioned by the General Assembly. The Board authorized the Secretary-General for Congresses and the individuals who organized the Congress to select the recipient.

On August 5, 2005, Ralph Kelly was recognized for his paper, "Caudillos, Coups, Constitutions and Changes: An Analysis of Flag Changes in Latin America."

DISAPPEARANCE OF THE FIAV FLAG

After examining photographs from past Congresses, the Board has determined that the FIAV flag presented to FIAV at the Second International Congress of Vexillology (Zürich, Switzerland, 1967) disappeared before the Eighteenth International Congress of Vexillology (Victoria, British Columbia, Canada, 1999). The Board does not know when the Zürich flag disappeared, although past Secretary-General for Congresses Ralph Bartlett^{FF} believes it was last seen at the Eleventh International Congress of Vexillology (Madrid, Spain, 1985). Past Secretary-General Emil Dreyer^{FF} confirmed that a new FIAV flag was manufactured for the Fifteenth International Congress of Vexillology (Zürich, Switzerland, 1993).

Past Secretary-General Whitney Smith ^{LF,FF} gave the Board the following description of the original Zürich flag:

I cannot remember for certain, but to the best of my recollection the original FIAV flag had the following characteristics. It was 1 meter wide by 1.67 m long and had metal spring clips at top and bottom for attaching it to halyards. It was of heavy blue fabric with the yellow emblem appliquéd on. The workmanship was excellent (e.g. no loose threads or uneven stitches). I believe it bore on the heading a manufacturer's label from the Swiss company that constructed it.

Past Secretary-General Emil Dreyer ^{FF} confirmed that the original manufacturer was "Schaltegger & Co."

Secretary-General for Congresses Graham Bartram has arranged for the manufacture of a new ceremonial FIAV flag, which will be used at the Twenty-Second International Congress of Vexillology (Berlin, Germany, 2007).

While the Board realizes the importance of recovering, if possible, the original Zürich FIAV flag, the Board has not suggested, and will never suggest, that any Congress organizer or individual has acted improperly. It is, however, the Board's responsibility to be a good steward of the few physical items that belong to FIAV. Finally, the Board deeply appreciates the assistance of the past Secretaries-General in this matter.

SELECTION OF ICV 23 (2009) ORGANIZER

Pursuant to the authority delegated to the Board by the General Assembly, on May 15, 2006 the Board selected JAVA as the organizer of the Twenty-Third International Congress of Vexillology in 2009. The Congress will be held in Yokohama, Japan.

Respectfully submitted,



Charles Spain
FIAV Secretary-General
Houston, July 7, 2007



DESCRIPTION OF THE 2005 CONGRESS FLAG

The flag of the Twenty-First International Congress of Vexillology consists of a 2:3 field divided into two vertical stripes: white to the hoist and sky-blue to the fly. Completing the design is a “figured” heraldic sun (with a human face) of sixteen straight rays alternating with sixteen flaming rays, centered on the white stripe, and a plain knot displayed vertically on the sky-blue stripe.

By evoking the current version of the so-called “Flag of the Andes” (although not the original version), the FIAV ICV 21 flag recalls Argentina’s national flags. The sun has represented Argentina since 1813, appearing on the national coat of arms and on currency, on the presidential band (1815), and on the War Flag (1818). In 1884, the national government named the flag with the sun as the state and war flag, reserving the flag without the sun for merchant and civil use. In 1944 the government decreed that “Flag” would mean the state and war flag and “Colors” would mean the civil and merchant flag. This distinction was abolished in 1985, when the use of the Argentine flag with or without the sun was authorized for all citizens.

The so-called “plain knot,” also known as a “décolleté knot,” is the emblem of the International Federation of Vexillological Associations (FIAV), introduced by Mr. Klaes Sierksma during the Second International Congress of Vexillology in Zürich, Switzerland, in 1967. It represents the international friendship of all the vexillologists while the loops allude to both hemispheres. This is the third time that the knot has been used in a Congress flag: the others being the Fifteenth International Congress of Vexillology (Zürich 1993) and Twentieth International Congress of Vexillology in Stockholm, Sweden in 2003. On the FIAV flag, the knot is yellow on blue; on the Vexilobaires 2005 flag it is white on sky-blue as a tribute to the Argentine flag.

The flag was designed by vexillologist Pascal Gross and selected in a contest by the Organizing Committee of Vexilobaires 2005 in May 2004.

JOHN PURCELL'S LETTER

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Gentlemen:

I wish to express my sincere gratitude for having been selected to receive two prestigious awards at the Twenty-first Congress of the Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques in Buenos Aires, Argentina, on 5 August 2005. I am most appreciative of having been granted the Vexillon Award for my work on *American City Flags: 150 Flags from Akron to Yonkers (Raven, Vol. 9/10, 2002/2003)*, although I must acknowledge a debt of gratitude to my fellow team members who collaborated with me so ably in producing the volume: Edward B. Kaye, managing editor; James A. Croft and Rich Monahan, contributing writers; and David B. Martucci, art editor. It was for me a singularly rewarding experience to work with such a talented and dedicated team of vexillologists, and I am exceedingly grateful to them for their commitment to our project. Further, I should like to thank the Flag Society of Australia for having established the Vexillon Award that has come to be regarded so highly, and for continuing to donate the handsome plaque that accompanies it.

I am also greatly honored to have been chosen as a Fellow of the Federation. As a vexillologist whose interest in flags began at age 8 and has developed into an area of study and research over many years, I especially appreciate the esteem of my peers in the granting of this award. Many thanks for your kind consideration; I am deeply appreciative.

With best wishes,

John M. Purcell, Ph. D.

Cc: Ralph Bartlett
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May 15, 2006

Dear Nozomi San,

It gives me great pleasure to inform you that the Board of FIAV has agreed to award the hosting of the 23rd International Congress of Vexillology in 2009 to Nihon Kishougaku Kyokai (JAVA), to be held in the City of Yokohama, celebrating the 150th anniversary of the opening of that important port. The Port Opening Memorial Hall is a particularly appropriate venue given the anniversary. As you mentioned in your letter this will be FIAV's first Congress in Asia, meaning that we will have held Congresses on every continent apart from Antarctica!

The provisional schedule you set out in your application letter is good, and I particularly look forward to visiting the Maritime Museum and other places in Yokohama. The optional visit to the Nomaai Festival will be fascinating for vexillologists.

I will be writing to Gerd Vehres requesting that the organizers allocate time during the 22nd ICV in Berlin for JAVA to give a presentation on the plans for the ICV in Yokohama. Could you give me an idea of how long you wish the presentation to be?

Let me close by asking you to pass on my best wishes to everyone at JAVA. I am sure Yokohama 2009 will be a great success.

Yours faithfully,

Graham Bartram FFI
Secretary-General for Congresses, FIAV

cc. Michel Lupant, President, FIAV
Charles Spain, Secretary-General, FIAV

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Austria	Franz Kaindl	April 17, 1975	to	September 29, 1983
Belgium	Roger E. Harmignies	September 7, 1969	to	September 29, 1983
Canada	Harold A. Diceman	September 7, 1969	to	June 29, 1979
	Ralph Spence	June 29, 1979	to	September 29, 1983
Denmark	Christian Fogd Pedersen FF	September 17, 1973	to	September 29, 1983
Finland	Bo Tennberg	June 12, 1977	to	September 29, 1983
France	Georges Pasch	September 7, 1969	to	June 29, 1979
	Lucien Philippe FF†	June 29, 1979	to	September 29, 1983
Germany, West	Ottfried Neubecker LF, FF†	September 7, 1969	to	September 17, 1973
	Johannes Klein	September 17, 1973	to	September 29, 1983
Italy	Raffaele Natta-Soleri	September 7, 1969	to	April 17, 1975
	Mario Gibellini	April 17, 1975	to	September 29, 1983
Netherlands	Johannes Hendrik Rombach†	?	to	June 24, 1971
				(interim, named by NVvV after GA 1)
Norway		June 24, 1971	to	September 29, 1983
	Atle Grahl-Madsen†	September 17, 1973	to	September 29, 1983

¹ Named Honorary President September 17, 1973.

² Died in office.

Spain	Sebastiá Herreros i Agüí	June 29, 1979	to	September 29, 1983
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	Walter Rydberg	June 12, 1977	to	September 29, 1983
Switzerland	Peter Mäder	September 7, 1969	to	June 29, 1979
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	vacant	June 24, 1971	to	September 17, 1973
	William G. Crampton LF, FF†	September 17, 1973	to	September 29, 1983
United States	William C. Spangler	September 7, 1969	to	September 29, 1983

AWARDS

Laureates of the Federation (for an outstanding, original contribution to the science of vexillology)

E.M.C. Barraclough†	September 28, 1983
Whitney Smith	July 5, 1991
Ottfried Neubecker†	August 2, 1999
William G. Crampton†	August 2, 1999
Scot M. Guenter	July 29, 2003

Fellows of the Federation (for significant contributions to vexillology and/or significant service to FIAV or a FIAV Member)

Teodoro Amerlinck y Zirion	July 27, 2001
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Christian Fogd Pedersen	July 27, 2001
Lucien Philippe†	July 27, 2001
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Aldo Ziggio	July 27, 2001
Alfred Znamierowski	July 27, 2001
Ralph G. C. Bartlett	July 29, 2003
Bruce B. Berry	July 29, 2003
Hugh Boudin	July 29, 2003
William G. Crampton†	July 29, 2003
Emil Dreyer	July 29, 2003
Louis Mühlemann†	July 29, 2003
Ottfried Neubecker†	July 29, 2003
Klaes Sierksma†	July 29, 2003
Robin B. Ashburner	August 5, 2005
Roberto Breschi	August 5, 2005
Aníbal Gotelli	August 5, 2005
Alberto Rubén Perazzo	August 5, 2005
John M. Purcell	August 5, 2005
Gustav Tracchia	August 5, 2005

Vexillon (for the most important contribution to vexillology during the two years preceding an International Congress of Vexillology; sponsored by the Flag Society of Australia Inc.)

Bruce Nicolls	September 29, 1989
William G. Crampton LF, FF†	July 5, 1991
María José Sastre y Arribas	August 25, 1993
Frederick G. Brownell	July 5, 1995
Aleš Brozek	August 15, 1997
Donald T. Healy and the editorial board and staff of <i>Raven: A Journal of Vexillology</i> who worked on "Flags of the Native People of the United States"	August 2, 1999
Armand Noël du Payrat	July 27, 2001
Alfred Znamierowski FF	July 29, 2003
Petr Exner	August 5, 2005

John M. Purcell ^{FF} and the other authors, editors, August 5, 2005
and staff of *Raven: A Journal of*
Vexillology who worked on
"American City Flags"

IAFM Award (for the most creative paper delivered at an International Congress of Vexillology; sponsored by the International Association of Flag Manufacturers)

Bruce B. Berry ^{FF} and Theodoulos S. Stylianides August 2, 1999
"Vexistats"

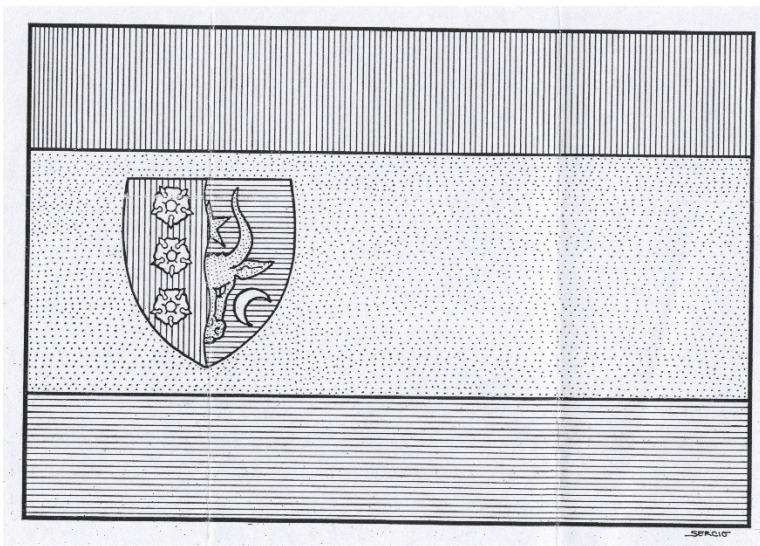
Philippe Rault July 27, 2001
"New Flags for an Old Country"

Edward Kaye August 1, 2003
"Flags over Flags over Antarctica"

and
Mason Kaye
"The Flags of Portland, Oregon
(1916–2002)"

Best Paper

Ralph Kelly August 5, 2005
"Caudillos, Coups, Constitutions and
Changes: An Analysis of Flag Changes
in Latin America"



Flag of SGHAPG of Moldova. Approved by the National Commission of Heraldry to the President of the Republic on February 29, 2004.

International Congresses of Vexillology

	<i>Venue</i>	<i>Dates</i>	<i>Organizer(s)</i>
ICV 1	Muiderberg, Noord-Holland, Netherlands	September 4 to 5, 1965	Stichting voor Banistiek en Heraldiek
ICV 2	Zürich, Switzerland	September 1 to 3, 1967	Gilde der Zürcher Heraldiker and Schweizerische Gesellschaft für Fahnen- und Flaggenkunde/Société Suisse de Vexillologie/Società Svizzera di Vessillologia
ICV 3	Boston, Massachusetts, United States	September 5 to 7, 1969	The Flag Research Center, Heraldry Society of Canada, North American Vexillological Association, and United States Flag Foundation
ICV 4	Torino, Piemonte, Italy	June 24 to 27, 1971	Accademia di San Marignano Sezione Vessillologica
ICV 5	London, England, United Kingdom	September 13 to 18, 1973	The Flag Institute
ICV 6	IJsselmeer, Flevoland, Netherlands	April 16 to 20, 1975	Stichting voor Banistiek en Heraldiek
ICV 7	Washington, District of Columbia, United States	June 10 to 14, 1977	The Flag Research Center and North American Vexillological Association
ICV 8	Wien, Austria	June 26 to 29, 1979	Gesellschaft für Österreichische Heereskunde
ICV 9	Ottawa, Ontario, Canada	August 24 to 28, 1981	The Flag Research Center, Heraldry Society of Canada, and North American Vexillological Association
ICV 10	Oxford, England, United Kingdom	September 25 to 30, 1983	The Flag Institute and Heraldry Society Flag Section
ICV 11	Madrid, Spain	May 26 to 31, 1985	Sociedad Española de Vexilología
ICV 12	San Francisco, California, United States	August 12 to 16, 1987	The Flag Research Center and North American Vexillological Association
ICV 13	Melbourne, Victoria, Australia	September 24 to 29, 1989	Flag Society of Australia Inc.
ICV 14	Barcelona, Catalunya, Spain	June 30 to July 5, 1991	Associació Catalana de Vexil·lologia
ICV 15	Zürich, Switzerland	August 23 to 27, 1993	Schweizerische Gesellschaft für Fahnen- und Flaggenkunde/Société/Suisse de Vexillologie/Società Svizzera di Vessillologia
ICV 16	Warszawa, Poland	July 1 to 5, 1995	Centrum Flagi Ziemi/Earth Flag Centre, The Flag Design Center, and Polskie Towarzystwo Weksylologiczne
ICV 17	Cape Town, Western Cape, South Africa	August 10 to 16, 1997	Southern African Vexillological Association
ICV 18	Victoria, British Columbia, Canada	July 28 to August 2, 1999	The Canadian Flag Association/L'Association canadienne de vexillologie and North American Vexillological Association
ICV 19	York, England, United Kingdom	July 23 to July 27, 2001	The Flag Institute
ICV 20	Stockholm, Sweden	July 28 to August 1, 2003	Nordisk Flaggsekskap/Nordisk Flagselskab/Nordiska Flagsällskapet/Norræna Fánafélagið/Pohjoismaiden Lippuseura
ICV 21	Buenos Aires, Capital Federal, Argentina	August 1 to 5, 2005	Asociación Argentina de Vexilología and Fundación Centro Interdisciplinario de Estudios Culturales

FIAV General Assembly Sessions

GA 1	Boston, Massachusetts, United States	September 7, 1969
GA 2	Torino, Piemonte, Italy	June 24, 1971
GA 3	London, England, United Kingdom	September 14, 17, 1973
GA 4	IJsselmeer, Flevoland, Netherlands	April 17, 18, 1975
GA 5	Washington, District of Columbia, United States	June 12, 1977
GA 6	Wien, Austria	June 29, 1979
GA 7	Ottawa, Ontario, Canada	August 27, 28, 1981
GA 8	Oxford, England, United Kingdom	September 26, 28, 29, 1983
GA 9	Madrid, Spain	May 27, 28, 31, 1985
GA 10	San Francisco, California, United States	August 13, 14, 15, 1987
GA 11	Melbourne and Ballarat, Victoria, Australia	September 25, 27, 1989
GA 12	Barcelona and Montserrat, Catalunya, Spain	July 1, 2, 4, 1991
GA 13	Zürich, Switzerland	August 23, 25, 27, 1993
GA 14	Warszawa, Poland	July 1, 2, 3, 5, 1995
GA 15	Cape Town, Western Cape, South Africa	August 11, 12, 14, 1997
GA 16	Victoria, British Columbia, Canada	July 29, 30, 1999
GA 17	York, England, United Kingdom	July 23, 2001
GA 18	Stockholm, Sweden	July 28, 2003
GA 19	Buenos Aires, Capital Federal, Argentina	August 1, 2005

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Periodical Publication: *Estandarte* (Spanish; since 1991)

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Notes: changed name on August 31, 1993 from Canadian Flag Institute

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Supplements: *Banderin* (ISSN 1492-8256; English; since 1999)
Dragonflags (ISSN 1492-840X; English; since 1999)
Ensign & Jack (ISSN 1492-8477; English; since 1998)
Flag City (ISSN 1492-837X; English; 1998 to ?)
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Pavillonnerie (ISSN 1492-8248; French; since 1998)

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Member Since: August 23, 1993 (number 31)
Territory: Belgium
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Territory: Italy
Periodical Publication: *Vexilla Italica* (Italian; since 1974)

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Periodical Publication: *Weksyli@na: Biuletyn informacyjny rynku flagowo - heraldycznego* (ISSN 1505-3784; Polish, with selected texts in English and Spanish; since 1997; available by e-mail request to wserwatowski@onet.eu)
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Member Since: August 23, 1993 (number 29)
Territory: Czech Republic
Periodical Publications: *Vexilologie* (ISSN 1211-2615; Czech (English translations of articles available); since 1972)
Vexilological Letters (Czech; irregular 1976 to 1989)
Vexilokontakt (Czech; irregular; since 1989 (in collaboration with Středisko Vexilologických Informací/Flag Data Centre))
Vexilokontakt - Special Issue (English; annually; since 1997 (in collaboration with Středisko Vexilologických Informací/Flag Data Centre))
Proceedings of the Czech National Congress on Vexillology (Czech; every four years; since 1996) (in collaboration with Středisko Vexilologických Informací/Flag Data Centre))
Notes: recognized July 1, 1991 as "Honorary Affiliate"; changed name on April 2, 2005 from Vexilologický Klub (VK)

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Periodical Publication: *The Flagship* (English; since 1993)

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Member Since: July 23, 2001 (number 54)
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Periodical Publication: *Stars and Bars* (ISSN 1535-6779; English; quarterly; since 2001; available online at http://www.csvex.org/stars_bars.html)

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Periodical Publications: *Der Flaggenkurier* (ISSN 0949-6173; German; semiannual; since 1995)
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Established: September 30, 1978
Member Since: August 27, 1981 (number 21)
Territory: Poland
Periodical Publication: none

Flag Heritage Foundation (FHF)

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Established: July 30, 1971
Member Since: July 28, 2003 (number 58)
Territory: United States
Periodical Publications: *The Standard* (English; irregular; since 2002)

The Flag Institute (FI)

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Type: association
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Home Page: <http://www.flaginstitute.org>
Established: April 23, 1971
Member Since: June 24, 1971 (number 13)
Territory: United Kingdom
Periodical Publications: *Flagmaster* (ISSN 0142-1271; English; semiannual; since 1978)
Flag Institute Bulletin (ISSN 0309-085X; English; irregular 1977 to 1978)
Flagmaster (ISSN 0142-5129; English; quarterly 1971 to 1975)
Notes: formed from the Heraldry Society, Flag Section (HSFS)

The Flag Research Center (FRC)c/o Whitney Smith LF, FF

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Secretary: Carol Salvo, office manager
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e-mail: vexor@comcast.net
Home Page: <http://www.flagresearchcenter.com>
Established: February 1, 1962
Member Since: September 7, 1969 (charter)
Territory: United States
Periodical Publications: *The Flag Bulletin* (ISSN 0015-3370; English; bimonthly; since 1961)
Supplements:

Flag Bulletin Newsletter/Courrier de drapeau/Flaggenmitteilungen (English; bimonthly; 1967 to 1973)

Flag Information Sources (English; 1970 to 1973)

The Vexillo-File (English; irregular; since 2002)

Flag Specification Sheets (English; irregular; since 1960)

Flag Data Archives (English; 1969 to 1975)

End of the Year Review (English; annual; since 1976)

News from the Vexillarium (English; irregular; since 1982)

Flag Etiquette & Usage Standards (English; irregular; since 1996)

FlagInform (English; irregular; since 2001)

Flag Research Centre of Sri Lanka (FRCSL)

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Established: July 1, 1975
Member Since: June 12, 1977 (provisional); September 8, 1977 (full) (number 18)
Territory: Sri Lanka
Periodical Publication: *Flag* (1982 only)

Flag Society of Australia Inc. (FSA)

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Home Page: <http://www.flagsaustralia.com.au>
Established: August 20, 1983
Member Since: May 28, 1985 (number 23)
Territory: Australia
Periodical Publication: *Crux Australis* (ISSN 0814-5008; English; quarterly; since 1984)

Flags of the World (FOTW)

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Home Page: <http://www.flagspot.net>
Established: September 1993
Member Since: July 23, 2001 (number 56)
Territory: Canada
Periodical Publication: *Flags of the World* website (English; continuous; since 1993; available online at <http://www.flagspot.net>)

Fundación Centro Interdisciplinario de Estudios Culturales (CIDECA)

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Home Page: <http://www.funcidec.org.ar>
Established: March 1, 1990; 1992 (registered as nonprofit foundation)
Member Since: August 23, 1993 (number 36)
Territory: Argentina
Periodical Publications: *Boletín CIDECA* (Spanish; bimonthly; since 1992)
La Page Française (French; since 1992)
Anglo-American Journal (English; since 1995)
C.I.D.E.C. en Acción: Boletín Informativo Virtual (Spanish; since 2001)

Notes: originally admitted as Associate Member; became Full Member August 27, 1993; temporarily known as Asociación de Profesionales del Ceremonial de la República Argentina (APCRA)

Great Waters Association of Vexillology (GWAV)

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e-mail: dsbreiten@aol.com (David Breitenbach)
Home Page: <http://gwav.tripod.com>
Established: May 11, 1991
Member Since: July 29, 1999 (number 49)
Territory: United States: Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, and Ohio
Periodical Publication: *FlaGWAVer* (English; semiannual; since 1996)
Notes: changed name on November 6, 1996 from Great Waters Chapter (GWC) after NAVA voted not to establish chapters

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Established: ?
Member Since: August 23, 1993 (number 32)
Territory: Slovenia
Periodical Publication: none
Notes: changed name on ? from Slovenski Ščit - HGV Club (SS)

Heraldischer Verein "Zum Kleeblatt" von 1888 zu Hannover e.V. (HVK)

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Home Page: <http://www.zum-kleeblatt.de>
Established: December 4, 1888
Member Since: August 23, 1993 (number 35)
Territory: Germany
Periodical Publications: *Kleeblatt: Zeitschrift für Heraldik und verwandte Wissenschaften* (German; since 1984)
Jahrbuch—Heraldischer Verein "Zum Kleeblatt" von 1888 zu Hannover e.V. (ISSN 0341-9908; German; annual; since 1963)
Notes: originally admitted as Associate Member; became Full Member August 27, 1993

The Heraldry and Vexilology Society of Malta (HAVSOM)

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Established: January 23, 1995
Member Since: August 12, 1997 (number 46)
Territory: Malta
Periodical Publication: *It-Tarka u 'l-Bandiera/The Shield and the Flag* (English; since 1996)

Instytut Heraldyczno-Weksylologiczny (IHW)

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e-mail: ihw1@o2.pl
Home Page: http://www.pl.info.pl/IHW_WWW/index.php
Established: September 1, 1997
Member Since: July 23, 2001 (number 51)
Territory: Poland
Periodical Publication: *Flagi miast polskich* (Polish; bimonthly; since 2000)

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http://www.sbvex.org and http://drapeauxbretagne.canalblog.com

Established:

June 23, 1996

Member Since:

August 12, 1997 (number 45)

Territory:

France: Brittany

Periodical Publication:

Ar Banniel (ISSN 1274-5596; Breton/French; triannual; since 1996)

Notes:

previously know by abbreviation "SBV"

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Established:

January 6, 1994

Member Since:

July 5, 1995 (number 42)

Territory:

Hungary

Periodical Publication:

Zászlóvilág/Flagworld (Hungarian; since ?)

Notes:

changed name on ? 2000 from Zászlókutató Intézet (ZI); changed name on ? 1997 from Magyar Vexillológiai Társaság/Hungarian Vexillological Association (HUVA)

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Established:

April 11, 1991

Member Since:

August 12, 1997 (number 44)

Territory:

Germany

Periodical Publication:

none

Notes:

originally admitted as Associate Member; became voting Member July 23, 2001

National Flag Foundation (NFF)

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Home Page: <http://www.americanflags.org>
Established: March 26, 1968
Member Since: September 7, 1969 (charter)
Territory: United States
Periodical Publications: *The New Constellation* (ISSN 1048-7980; English; triannual; since 1990)
Flag Plaza Standard (ISSN 0882-2220; English; triannual 1970 to 1990)
Notes: changed name on April 12, 1972 from Flag Plaza Foundation (FPF)

Nederlandse Vereniging voor Vlaggenkunde (NVVV)

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Home Page: <http://home.planet.nl/~marksens/nvvv>
Established: June 19, 1966
Member Since: September 7, 1969 (charter)
Territory: Netherlands
Periodical Publication: *Vexilla Nostra* (ISSN 1382-2497; Dutch; monthly/bimonthly; 1966 to 1998)
Vlaggenijdschrift Vexilla Nostra (Dutch; quarterly; since 1999)

New England Vexillological Association (NEVA)

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Home Page: <http://www.midcoast.com/~martucci/neva>
Established: April 21, 1991
Member Since: July 29, 1999 (number 50)
Territory: United States: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont
Periodical Publication: *New England Journal of Vexillology* (English; semiannual; since 1995)

New Zealand Flag Association (NZFA)

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Established: January 16, 1994
Member Since: July 3, 1995 (number 39)
Territory: New Zealand
Periodical Publication: *Masthead* (ISSN 1173-1850; English; since 1994)
Notes: changed name on June 2, 1999 from The Flag Association of New Zealand/Te Roopu Haki Matua o Aotearoa (FANZ)

**Nihon Kishougaku Kyokai (JAVA)
Japanese Vexillological Association**

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Established: January 1, 2000
Member Since: July 23, 2001 (number 52)
Territory: Japan
Periodical Publication: none

Nordisk Flagselskap (NF)**Nordisk Flagselskab****Nordiska Flagsällskapet****Norræna Fánafélagið****Pohjoismaiden Lippuseura**

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Home Page: <http://www.nordicflagsociety.org>
Established: January 27, 1973
Member Since: September 14, 1973 (number 15)
Territory: Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, and Sweden
Periodical Publications: *Nordisk Flaggkontakt* (ISSN 0109-7539; multilingual; semiannual; since 1984; variant title is *Nordisk Flagkontakt*)
Nordisk Flagskrift (ISSN 0108-7916; Danish; irregular; 1975 to 1991)
Note: Nordisk Flagselskap (Norwegian), Nordisk Flagselskab (Danish), Nordiska Flagsällskapet (Swedish), Norræna Fánafélagið (Icelandic), and Pohjoismaiden Lippuseura (Finnish)

North American Vexillological Association (NAVA)

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Established: June 3, 1967 (organized), March 19, 1968 (incorporated)
Member Since: September 7, 1969 (charter)
Territory: Canada and United States
Periodical Publications: *NAVA News* (ISSN 1053-3338; English; quarterly; since 1967)
Raven: A Journal of Vexillology (ISSN 1071-0043; English; annual; since 1994)
NAVA Yearbook (English; annual 1973 to 1983)
NAVA Handbook (English; 1986 and 1989)

Partioheraldikot r.y. (PH)

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Finland

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Home Page: http://heraldikot.partio.net
Established: November 22, 1972
Member Since: May 28, 1985 (number 24)
Territory: Finland
Periodical Publication: *Liehuvat Värit* (ISSN 0357-1432; Finnish; quarterly; since 1970)
Notes: previously know by abbreviation "PR"

Polskie Towarzystwo Weksylologiczne (PTW)

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Member Since: July 3, 1995 (number 40)
Territory: Poland
Periodical Publication: *Flaga* (Polish; ?: since 1999)

Российский Центр флаговедения и геральдики/Russian Centre of Vexillology and Heraldry (RCVH)

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Home Page: http://www.russovex.org
Established: September 11, 1975 as Volgo Vexillology Club
Member Since: July 28, 2003 (number 59)
Territory: Russia
Periodical Publications: *The Flag* (Russian; 1976 to 1977; Russian and English since 2003)
Notes: changed name on September 11, 1991 from Volga Vexillology Club (VVC)

Schweizerische Gesellschaft für Fahnen- und Flaggenkunde (SSV)**Société Suisse de Vexillologie****Società Svizzera di Vessillologia**

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Home Page: <http://atlasgeo.span.ch/ssv/index.htm>
Established: January 21, 1967
Member Since: September 7, 1969 (charter)
Territory: Switzerland
Periodical Publication: *Vexilla Helvetica* (German and French; since 1969)

Sociedad Española de Vexilología (SEV)

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Home Page: <http://www.vexilologia.org/>
Established: October 31, 1977
Member Since: June 29, 1979 (number 19)
Territory: Spain
Periodical Publications: *Banderas* (ISSN 0213-0955; Spanish; quarterly; since 1979)
Gaceta de Banderas (Spanish/French/English; eight times a year; since 1979 (in collaboration with Centre Belgo-Européen d'Études des Drapeaux))

Societas Vexillologica Belgica (SVB)

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Established: August 30, 1977
Member Since: June 29, 1979 (number 20)
Territory: Belgium
Periodical Publications: *Vexilla Belgica* (ISSN 0772-3261; multilingual; annual; 1977 to 1993)
Vexillinfo (ISSN 0772-3253; multilingual; irregular; 1980 to 1990)

Societatea de Genealogie, Heraldică și Arhivistică "Paul Gore" (SGHAPG)

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Established: October 22, 1997
Member Since: July 23, 2001 (number 55)
Territory: Moldova
Periodical Publication: none
Notes: originally admitted as Associate Member; became voting Member July 23, 2001

Societatea Română de Vexilologie (SRV)

c/o Felicia Diaconu
Facultatea de Arhivistică
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Type: association
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Established: April 3, 1998
Member Since: July 29, 1999 (number 48)
Territory: Romania
Periodical Publication: *Societatea Română de Vexilologie* (Romanian; annual; since 1998)

Société française de vexillologie (SFV)

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Established: March 16, 1985
Member Since: July 1, 1991 (number 27)
Territory: France
Periodical Publications: *Franciae Vexilla* (ISSN 1270-0096; French; quarterly; since 1996)
Emblèmes et pavillons (ISSN 0769-7864; French; quarterly 1985 to 1996)
Annuaire de la Société française de vexillologie (ISSN 0981-2180; French; 1986 only)
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Established: November 26, 1990
Member Since: July 2, 1991 (number 28)
Territory: Angola, Botswana, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, Swaziland, Zambia, and Zimbabwe
Periodical Publications: *SAVA Journal* (no ISSN; English; annual; since 1992)
1/92 ISBN 0-620-16598-7
2/93 ISBN 0-620-17683-0
3/94 ISBN 0-620-18833-2
4/95 ISBN 0-620-19798-6
4/96 ISBN 0-620-21797-9
5/97 ISBN 0-620-22837-8
6/98 ISBN 0-620-25670-2
SAVA Newsletter (English; triannual; since 1991)

Středisko Vexilologických Informací (SVI)**Flag Data Centre**

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Established: March 1994
Member Since: July 28, 2003 (number 60)
Territory: Czech Republic
Periodical Publications: *Vexilokontakt* (Czech; irregular; since 1989 (in collaboration with Vexilologický Klub))
vexilNFO (Czech with English summary; bimonthly; since 1994)
Vexilologický lexikon (Czech; semiannual; since 1996)

Tumbling Waters Museum of Flags (TWMF)

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Home Page: http://www.flagsbyatlantis.com/tumbling_waters_museum_of_flags.htm
Established: July 1, 1974
Member Since: April 17, 1975 (number 16)
Territory: United States
Periodical Publication: *Flags* (English; 1975 to 1978)

Українське Геральдичне Товариство (UHT)**Ukrayins'ke Heral'dychne Tovarystvo****The Ukrainian Heraldry Society**

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Home Page: <http://uht.org.ua>

Established: July 9, 1990

Member Since: July 3, 1995 (number 41)

Territory: Ukraine

Periodical Publications: *Знак (Znak)* (in English *The Sign*) (Ukrainian; since 1993)*Генеалогічні записки УГТ* (in English *Genealogical Notes of the UHT*) (Ukrainian; since 2000)

Notes: originally admitted as Associate Member; became Full Member later same day

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Established: December 14, 1960 (branch of Societas Heraldica Scandinavica), ? 1963 (established as independent organization)

Member Since: May 31, 1985 (number 26)

Territory: Sweden

Periodical Publication: *Meddelande från VSHS* (Swedish; irregular; since ?)**Vexillological Association of the State of Texas (VAST)**

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Established: February 16, 1991 (organized); March 8, 2000 (incorporated)

Member Since: July 23, 2001 (number 57)

Territory: United States: Texas

Periodical Publication: *VAST News* (ISSN 1531-1783; English; irregular; since 2001)

World Vexillological Research Institute (WVRI)

c/o Roman Klimeš
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Established: November 30, 1992
Member Since: August 23, 1993 (number 34)
Territory: Czech Republic
Periodical Publication: *Flaggen, Wappen und Siegel* (ISSN 0948-3748; German; since 1986 (since 1992 as publication of WVRI) (in collaboration with Das Flaggenkabinett Berlin))

FORMER MEMBERS

Accademia di San Marciano, Sezione Vessillologica (ASM)

Type: institution
Established: summer 1967
Member Since: September 7, 1969 (charter)
Membership Ended: removed August 13, 1987
Territory: Italy
Periodical Publication: *Armi Antiche* (ISSN 0403-2268; multilingual; annual; since 1954)
Notes: Sezione Vessillologica ceased to be active 1975

Association française d'études internationale de vexillologie (AFEIV)

Type: association
Established: December 2, 1966
Member Since: September 7, 1969 (charter)
Membership Ended: resigned 1987
Territory: France
Periodical Publication: *Vexillologia* (French; 1967 to 1975)
Notes: changed name on July 28, 1969 from Association internationale d'études vexillologique (AIEV); ceased to be active in late 1975 or early 1976

Cumann Vexilleolaíoch na hÉireann (CVE)

Vexillological Society of Ireland

Type: association
Established: March 3, 1984
Member Since: May 28, 1985 (number 25)
Membership Ended: resigned 1992
Territory: Ireland
Periodical Publication: *Irish Vexillology Newsletter* (?; 1984 to 1987)

Gesellschaft für Österreichische Heereskunde (GOH)

Heeresgeschichtliches Museum
Arsenal, Objekt 1
1030 WIEN
Austria
Telephone: +43 1 68 91 205
Type: institution
Established: ? 1972 (established as "study circle"), ? 1975 (became "constituted association")
Member Since: April 17, 1975 (number 17)
Membership Ended: resigned January 3, 1997
Territory: Austria
Periodical Publication: *Militaria Austriaca* (German; since 1977)

Heraldry Society, Flag Section (HSFS)

Post Office Box 32
MAIDENHEAD
Berkshire
SL6 3FD
United Kingdom
Type: association
Established: September 7, 1967
Member Since: September 7, 1969 (charter)
Membership Ended: removed August 13, 1987
Territory: United Kingdom
Periodical Publications: *Newsletter* (English; 1969 to ?)
Flagmaster (ISSN 0142-5129; English; quarterly; 1971 to 1975)
The Coat of Arms (English; quarterly; since ?)
The Heraldry Gazette (English; quarterly; since ?)
Notes: Flag Section ceased to be active April 11, 1972 after creation of FI

Office Généalogique et Héraldique de Belgique (OGHB)

Association Royale
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1150 BRUXELLES
Belgium
Telephone: +32 (2) 772 50 27
Home Page: <http://www.ufsia.ac.be/genealogy/wallonia/oghb1.htm>
Type: institution
Established: May 4, 1942
Member Since: September 7, 1969 (charter)
Membership Ended: resigned 1985
Territory: Belgium
Periodical Publications: *Le Parchemin* (?; since ?)
Le Héraut (?; since ?)
Le Recueil (?; since ?)

Stichting voor Banistiek en Heraldiek (SBH)

c/o Klaes Sierksma FF†
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Na Midgard
9255 K.E. TYTSJERK
Netherlands
Type: institution
Established: June 30, 1964
Member Since: September 7, 1969 (charter)
Membership Ended: resigned 1981 following ICV 9
Territory: Netherlands

United States Flag Foundation (USFF)

c/o David L. White
Flag Plaza
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PITTSBURGH PA 15219-3699
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Type: association
President/Other: David L. White, executive director
Secretary: Mary Ellen Anderson, office manager
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Fax: +1 (412) 261-9132
e-mail: flag@americanflags.org
Established: December 31, 1942
Member Since: September 7, 1969 (charter)
Membership Ended: resigned April 28, 2003
Territory: United States
Periodical Publication: none
Notes: successor to the American Flag Association (AFA), which was established February 18, 1898 and changed name on April 10, 1924 to the United States Flag Association (USFA)

Vlaggen Dokumentatie Centrum Nederland (VDCN)**Flag Documentation Centre Netherlands**

Type: institution
President/Other: Derkwillem Visser, Jr.†, director
Established: November 1, 1978
Member Since: July 23, 2001 (number 53)
Membership Ended: removed August 1, 2005
Territory: Netherlands
Periodical Publications: *Info-Bulletin* (ISSN 1383-312X; Dutch/English; semiannual 1978 to 1999)
Vlaggen-Info (Dutch/English; quarterly; since 2000)
Note: ceased to be active after Derkwillem Visser, Jr.'s death on November 24, 2001

Wappen-Herold, Deutsche Heraldische Gesellschaft e.V. (WH)

Type: institution
 Established: November 6, 1963
 Member Since: September 7, 1969 (charter)
 Membership Ended: removed July 3, 1995
 Territory: Germany
 Periodical Publication: *Der Tappert* (ISSN 0082-1705; German; irregular; 1964 to 1981)
 Note: ceased to be active after Ottfried Neubecker LF, FF's death in 1992

MEMBERS BY ORDER OF ADMISSION

Members that were admitted in the same year are listed in the order their names appear in the official General Assembly minutes.

charter	NAVA	1969		32	HS	1993	
charter	FRC	1969		33	AAV	1993	
charter	USFF	1969	ended 2003	34	WVRI	1993	
charter	NFF	1969		35	HVK	1993	
charter	SSV	1969		36	CIDEC	1993	
charter	NVvV	1969		37	CFZ	1995	
charter	SBH	1969	ended 1981	38	CBFA	1995	
charter	HSFS	1969	ended 1987	39	NZFA	1995	
charter	ASM	1969	ended 1987	40	PTW	1995	
charter	OGHB	1969	ended 1985	41	UHT	1995	
charter	WH	1969	ended 1995	42	MZT	1995	
charter	AFEIV	1969	ended 1987	43	DGF	1997	
13	FI	1971		44	MBV	1997	
14	CISV	1973		45	KVV	1997	
15	NF	1973		46	HAVSOM	1997	
16	TWMF	1975		47	BDA	1997	
17	GOH	1975	ended 1997	48	SRV	1999	
18	FRCSL	1977		49	GWAV	1999	
19	SEV	1979		50	NEVA	1999	
20	SVB	1979		51	IHW	2001	
21	FDC	1981		52	JAVA	2001	
22	ACV	1985		53	VDCN	2001	ended 2005
23	FSA	1985		54	CSVA	2001	
24	PH	1985		55	SGHAPG	2001	
25	CVE	1985	ended 1992	56	FOTW	2001	
26	VSHS	1985		57	VAST	2001	
27	SFV	1991		58	FHF	2003	
28	SAVA	1991		59	RCVH	2003	
29	CVS	1993		60	SVI	2003	
30	CFA	1993		61	AVS	2005	
31	CEBED	1993					

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 on August 12, 1997, July 29, 1999, and July 23, 2001.

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

CONSTITUTION OF THE FÉDÉRATION INTERNATIONALE DES ASSOCIATIONS VEXILLOLOGIQUES

- I. NAME AND PURPOSES
- Art. 1 The name of this association is the Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques, which is abbreviated as "FIAV." The official translations of FIAV's name are: International Federation of Vexillological Associations (English); Internationale Föderation Vexillologischer Gesellschaften (German); and Federación Internacional de Asociaciones Vexilológicas (Spanish).
- Art. 2 FIAV unites those associations and institutions throughout the world whose object is the pursuit of vexillology, which 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. 3 FIAV 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 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; and
 - (d) to sanction international standards facilitating the development of these activities.
- Art. 4 FIAV, being strictly scientific, has no commercial ends and renounces any political or religious activity or stand.
- II. HEADQUARTERS
- Art. 5 The administrative headquarters of FIAV are located at the residences of its two Secretaries-General. If necessary, the General Assembly may establish a legal headquarters for FIAV.
- III. MEMBERSHIP
- Art. 6 An applicant for membership in FIAV:
- (a) must be an organization of the type expressed in article 2;
 - (b) must be committed to the purposes of FIAV expressed in article 3; and
 - (c) must be constituted in conformity with the laws of the country where it is located.
- Art. 7
- (a) Membership in FIAV is open to any association or institution anywhere in the world having as a substantial purpose the scientific study of vexillology.
 - (b) The processing of membership applications is the responsibility of the Board. The Board may delegate this responsibility to a person appointed by it for this purpose. The procedure consists of the following:
 - (1) The applicant shall submit a membership application, which must be received by the Board no later than six months before the convening of the next session of the General Assembly.

- (2) The Board shall consider the application and make a recommendation to the General Assembly relative to the applicant and shall communicate that recommendation to the applicant and to existing Members not later than three months before the convening of the next session of the General Assembly.
 - (3) The Board may recommend acceptance of the applicant as a Member, or may recommend rejection of the applicant.
 - (4) The General Assembly at its next session shall vote on the application. An authorized representative of the applicant may appear at the session to represent its case. A rejected applicant has the right to reapply for membership at any later session of the General Assembly.
- (c) The Board and the General Assembly, in making their decisions about an applicant, shall have regard to the following:
- (1) the existence of a written constitution and its provisions;
 - (2) the vexillological and non-vexillological activities of the applicant, including meetings, publications, and international relations;
 - (3) in the case of an association, the number of its dues-paying members (minimum of five);
 - (4) registration of its members in International Congresses of Vexillology;
 - (5) the length of time it has existed; and
 - (6) the presence of an autochthonous and authorized representative of the applicant at the session of the General Assembly at which there is to be a vote on the application.
- Art. 8 The voluntary resignation of any Member must be received in writing by the President. The resignation is effective on the date of its receipt.
- Art. 9 At its discretion, the Board may require a Member to furnish evidence of its continued qualification for membership under the terms set forth in article 7. On the basis of this evidence, the Board may make a recommendation to the General Assembly on the continuation of the membership of the association or institution. If the recommendation is made to remove a Member from FIAV, the Member in question must be notified at least three months in advance of the session of the General Assembly at which there is to be a 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. 10 Each Member regulates its own affairs in complete freedom, limited only by the laws in effect in the territory where it functions. FIAV may not limit the rights of the Members in this respect.
- Art. 11 Members shall not undertake any activities contrary to the interests of FIAV.
- Art. 12
- (a) FIAV 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 FIAV.
 - (b) Members may not hold international vexillological meetings outside of International Congresses of Vexillology. Notwithstanding this prohibition, a Member holding a vexillological meeting in any year in which no International Congress of Vexillology is held may invite participation by a Member from a contiguous country.
- Art. 13 The General Assembly may name as "Laureates of the Federation" persons who have made outstanding contributions to vexillology. The General Assembly may delegate this power to the Board. The status as a Laureate does not confer any right within FIAV.

IV. THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

- Art. 14 (a) The General Assembly is composed of the Officers together with a delegate from each of the Members. Each delegate must present to the President 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.
- (b) A session of the General Assembly is not constituted unless delegates of at least half of the Members are present, except as provided for in article 25.
- (c) Each Member and each Officer is entitled to one vote in the General Assembly.
- Art. 15 Majorities in the General Assembly consist of the following fractions of those Members present and voting:
- (a) A simple majority in the election of Officers. If more than two candidates stand for election for an Office and no candidate receives a simple majority, then the candidate with the least votes shall be eliminated from the next ballot, and so on.
- (b) A simple majority for a motion to amend a motion under consideration, to proceed to the next item of business on the agenda, to defer consideration of a motion, to refer a motion to a Commission, to appeal a ruling of the chair, for a record vote, or to adjourn a session of the General Assembly.
- (c) Two-thirds for all other motions.
- (d) Three-quarters for amendments to the Constitution or dissolution of FIAV.
- Art. 16 The General Assembly:
- (a) elects Officers;
- (b) examines and approves the administration of the Board and the Commissions;
- (c) examines all questions concerning FIAV and in particular the organization of the International Congresses of Vexillology;
- (d) interprets the Constitution;
- (e) names Laureates of the Federation pursuant to article 13 and awards such other distinctions as it deems appropriate to persons or institutions who have shown particular merit in the field of vexillology (this power may be delegated to the Board); and
- (f) determines the amount and disposition of the annual dues, if any, to be paid by Members; and
- (g) establishes such Commissions as it deems necessary and appoints Commissioners.
- Art. 17 The General Assembly holds a session at least once every two years, normally on the occasion of each International Congress of Vexillology. The Board convenes a session of the General Assembly. The Board must give notice of the agenda, including any amendments to the Constitution or motion to dissolve FIAV, to all Members at least three months in advance of the session.
- Art. 18 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 Members request this of the Board.
- V. ADMINISTRATION
- Art. 19 (a) The administration of FIAV is entrusted to a Board which acts only by unanimous agreement. The Board is composed of three Officers: the President, the Secretary-General, and the Secretary-General for Congresses.

- (b) The Officers are elected at the end of each session of the General Assembly and serve until the election of the new Officers at the next session of the General Assembly. Consent of the candidates for election is required. The Officers are eligible for re-election.
- (c) The Secretary-General and the Secretary-General for Congresses must reside on different continents. The Secretary-General manages the Permanent Secretariat of FIAV and the Secretary-General for Congresses manages the Permanent Secretariat of the International Congresses of Vexillology. The Board is considered to be in continuous session, conducted by correspondence.
- (d) If an Officer dies, resigns, or is mentally or physically incapable of carrying out the duties of the office, those duties shall be performed by the remaining Officers.

Art. 20

The Board:

- (a) manages the current affairs of FIAV and establishes the duties and obligations of its Officers;
- (b) issues directives which it considers necessary to the success of the activities of FIAV, including the International Congresses of Vexillology;
- (c) establishes such Commissions as it deems necessary and appoints Commissioners;
- (d) convenes sessions of the General Assembly pursuant to articles 17 and 18;
- (e) represents FIAV in its relations with other national and international institutions; and
- (f) manages membership procedures pursuant to article 7 and encourages vexillological associations and institutions to apply for FIAV membership.

Art. 21

FIAV's assent to an agreement imposing a binding obligation on FIAV may only be given by a written document signed by all Officers. Current correspondence may be signed by any single Officer.

VI.

LANGUAGES

Art. 22

The official languages of FIAV and the International Congresses of Vexillology are English, French, German, and Spanish. Other languages may be used when appropriate.

VII.

PUBLICATIONS

Art. 23

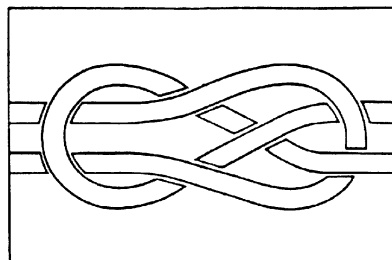
- (a) FIAV shall publish a newsletter concerning its activities at least once a year for the benefit of its Members, which may be freely reproduced. The General Assembly may initiate or authorize other publications.
- (b) The Flag Bulletin (ISSN 0015-3370) is recognized as a journal for the publication of scientific articles in the field of vexillology.

VIII.

SYMBOLS

Art. 24

- (a) FIAV's flag is described as follows: "On a blue field, extending horizontally from hoist to fly, two yellow halyards forming two interlaced loops." The color blue is defined as Pantone Matching System U293 and the color yellow is defined as Pantone Matching System U123. The Flag is illustrated as follows:



- (b) The General Assembly may initiate or authorize other symbols for FIAV.

IX. DISSOLUTION

- Art. 25
- (a) A motion to dissolve FIAV may be considered only at a session of the General Assembly at which delegates of at least three-quarters of the Members are present.
 - (b) Instead of sending a delegate, a Member may chose to submit to the President a written, notarized statement expressing that Member's vote in favor of, or in opposition to, the motion to dissolve. A Member that submits any such statement shall be considered present at the session for the purpose of determining that the session is constituted to consider a motion to dissolve.
 - (c) The General Assembly establishes the terms of the dissolution.

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

Amended August 12, 1997 (article 14(a) by the Fifteenth Session of the General Assembly held during the Seventeenth International Congress of Vexillology at Cape Town, Western Cape, South Africa.

Amended July 29, 1999 (adding new article 1 and renumbering and amending remaining articles) by the Sixteenth Session of the General Assembly held during the Eighteenth International Congress of Vexillology at Victoria, British Columbia, Canada.

Amended July 23, 2001 (eliminating the distinction between Full and Associate Members and amending articles 15 and 23) by the Seventeenth Session of the General Assembly held during the Nineteenth International Congress of Vexillology at York, England, United Kingdom.

FLAG INFORMATION CODE

The Flag Information Code was adopted on August 27, 1981. The code has been amended on July 5, 1995 and July 23, 2001. The current text of the code is set out below. It contains the exact text as adopted and amended.

FLAG INFORMATION CODE

- Sec. 1 The Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques (FIAV) adopts this Flag Information Code and encourages its use by FIAV Members, individual vexillologists, publishers, and others who study flags.
- Sec. 2 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 (1) insofar as possible eliminates misunderstandings and (2) is both easy to learn and comprehensible to persons knowing different languages;
 - (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, exchange, and publish information; and
 - (d) to eliminate, insofar as possible, the confusion that exists in the terminology employed by governments and others to describe national flags and their use.
- Sec. 3 FLAG COLORS
- (a) The following abbreviations indicate flag colors:

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 above are not abbreviated.

(c) The following symbols indicate approximate color shades:

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

(d) The use of a color description without a symbol indicates a medium, normal, or unknown shade of the color.

Sec. 4 FLAG PROPORTIONS

Flag proportions are indicated by a ratio. The first figure corresponds to the width of the flag, which is defined as the side normally attached to the pole or staff. The second figure corresponds to the length of the flag. A flag with a width of 3 units and a length of 5 units is written either 3:5 or 3x5.

Sec. 5 NATIONAL FLAG USE

(a) The following grid is used to describe the use or uses of a flag whose primary purpose is to identify nationality rather than some other characteristic (such as the rank of an individual, the existence of a specific government or military institution, or some other concept):



(b) The six areas of the grid indicate the six basic uses of national flags: (1) use by private individuals and institutions on land; (2) use by nonmilitary governmental institutions on land; (3) use by military institutions on land; (4) use by private individuals and institutions at sea; (5) use by nonmilitary governmental institutions at sea; and (6) use by military institutions at sea. Private, nonmilitary governmental, and military use is indicated from left to right by the three vertical columns; use on land and at sea is indicated from top to bottom by the two horizontal rows.

(c) The grid is written or printed in the line of identifying text near the flag illustration, together with the ratio indicating proportions. The use or uses of the flag are indicated by placing a point (•) or an × in the appropriate area or areas of the grid.

Sec. 6 The flag information summarized by the Code is not a substitute for a specific textual description of a flag and its use or uses.

Sec. 7 An amendment to the Code may be adopted only by the FIAV General Assembly. Before the General Assembly considers an amendment, the amendment should be discussed by individuals attending the International Congress of Vexillology during which the General Assembly session will be held. FIAV Members and individual vexillologists are encouraged to propose amendments based on their experience in using the Code.

Adopted August 27, 1981 by the Seventh Session of the General Assembly held during the Ninth International Congress of Vexillology at Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.

Amended July 5, 1995 (III. A.) by the Fourteenth Session of the General Assembly held during the Sixteenth International Congress of Vexillology at Warszawa, Poland.

Amended July 23, 2001 (adding new section 1 and renumbering and amending remaining articles) by the Seventeenth Session of the General Assembly held during the Nineteenth International Congress of Vexillology at York, England, United Kingdom.

STANDARD ABBREVIATIONS

AAV	Asociación Argentina de Vexilología
ACV	Associació Catalana de Vexil·lologia
AFA	American Flag Association (see USFF)
AFEIV	Association française d'études internationale de vexillologie (formerly Association internationale d'études vexillologique (AIEV))
AIEV	Association internationale d'études vexillologique (see AFEIV)
AMGH	Academia Mejicana de Genealogía y Heráldica
APCRA	Asociación de Profesionales del Ceremonial de la República Argentina (see CIDEDEC)
ARV	Association Réunionnaise de Vexillologie
ASM	Accademia di San Marciانو, Sezione Vessillologica
ASV	Asociación Venezolana de Simbología (see AVS)
AVS	Asociación Venezolana de Simbología (incorrectly abbreviated ASV)
BB	Bannieloù Breizh
BDA	The Burgee Data Archives (formerly Canadian Flag Institute (CFI))
CBFA	Chesapeake Bay Flag Association
CEBED	Centre Belgo-Européen d'Études des Drapeaux
CFA	The Canadian Flag Association/L'Association canadienne de vexillologie
CFI	Canadian Flag Institute (see BDA)
CFZ	Centrum Flagi Ziemi/Earth Flag Centre
CIDEDEC	Fundación Centro Interdisciplinario de Estudios Culturales (temporarily known as Asociación de Profesionales del Ceremonial de la República Argentina (APCRA))
CISV	Centro Italiano Studi Vessillologici
CSVA	Confederate States Vexillological Association
CVE	Cumann Vexilleolaioch na hÉireann/Vexillological Society of Ireland
CVS	Česká vexilologická společnost o. s. (formerly Vexilologický Klub (VK))
DGF	Deutsche Gesellschaft für Flaggenkunde e.V.
FANZ	The Flag Association of New Zealand/Te Roopu Haki Matua o Aotearoa (see NZFA)
FDC	The Flag Design Center
FF	Fellow of the Federation
FHF	Flag Heritage Foundation
FI	The Flag Institute
FOTW	Flags of the World
FPF	Flag Plaza Foundation (see NFF)
FRC	The Flag Research Center
FRCSL	Flag Research Centre of Sri Lanka
FSA	Flag Society of Australia Inc.
GOH	Gesellschaft für Österreichische Heereskunde
GWAV	Great Waters Association of Vexillology (formerly Great Waters Chapter (GWC))
GWC	Great Waters Chapter (see GWAV)
HAVSOM	The Heraldry and Vexilology Society of Malta
HCEHS	The Heraldry College of the Estonian Heritage Society
HGZD	Hrvatskog grboslovno i zastavoslovno društvo/Croatian Heraldic and Vexillologic Association
HS	Heraldica Slovenica
HSFS	Heraldry Society, Flag Section
HUVA	Magyar Vexillológiai Társaság/Hungarian Vexillological Association (see MZT)
HVK	Heraldischer Verein "Zum Kleeblatt" von 1888 zu Hannover e.V.
IHW	Instytut Heraldyczno-Weksylologiczny
IVA	Indian Vexillological Association
JAVA	Nihon Kishougaku Kyokai/Japanese Vexillological Association
KVV	Kevarzhe Vannielouriezh Vreizh/Société Bretonne de Vexillologie (formerly abbreviated SBV)
LF	Laureate of the Federation
MBV	Mauritius Buch Verlag GmbH
MZT	Magyarországi Zászló Társaság (formerly Zászlókutató Intézet (ZI) and Magyar Vexillológiai Társaság/Hungarian Vexillological Association (HUVA))
NAVA	North American Vexillological Association
NEVA	New England Vexillological Association
NF	Nordisk Flaggselskap/Nordisk Flagselskab/Nordiska Flaggsällskapet/Norræna Fánafélagið/Pohjoismaiden Lippuseura
NFF	National Flag Foundation (formerly Flag Plaza Foundation (FPF))

NVV	Nederlandse Vereniging voor Vlaggenkunde (see NVVV)
NVvV	Nederlandse Vereniging voor Vlaggenkunde (formerly abbreviated NVV and NVVV)
NZFA	New Zealand Flag Association (formerly The Flag Association of New Zealand/Te Roopu Haki Matua o Aotearoa (FANZ))
NZFIT	New Zealand Flag Institute Trust (NZFIT)
OGHB	Office Généalogique et Héraldique de Belgique
P	FIAV President
PH	Partioheraldikot r.y. (formerly abbreviated PR)
PR	Partioheraldikot r.y. (see PH)
PTW	Polskie Towarzystwo Weksylologiczne
RCVH	Российский Центр флаговедения и геральдики/Russian Centre of Vexillology and Heraldry (formerly Volga Vexillology Club (VVC))
SAVA	Southern African Vexillological Association
SBH	Stichting voor Banistiek en Heraldiek
SBV	Kevarzhe Vannielouriezh Vreizh/Société Bretonne de Vexillologie (see KVV)
SEV	Sociedad Española de Vexilología
SFV	Société française de vexillologie
SG	FIAV Secretary-General
SGC	FIAV Secretary-General for Congresses
SGHAPG	Societatea de Genealogie, Heraldică și Arhivistică "Paul Gore"
SRV	Societatea Română de Vexilologie
SSV	Schweizerische Gesellschaft für Fahnen- und Flaggenkunde/Société Suisse de Vexillologie/Società Svizzera di Vessillologia
SVB	Societas Vexillologica Belgica
SVI	Středisko Vexilologických Informací/Flag Data Centre
SVO	Société vexillologique de l'ouest
TWMF	Tumbling Waters Museum of Flags
UHT	Українське Геральдичне Товариство/Ukrayins'ke Heral'dychnе Tovarystvo/The Ukrainian Heraldry Society
USFA	United States Flag (see USFF)
USFF	United States Flag Foundation (formerly American Flag Association (AFA) and United States Flag Association (USFA))
VAST	Vexillological Association of the State of Texas
VDCN	Vlaggen Dokumentatie Centrum Nederland
VK	Vexilologický Klub (see CVS)
VSHA	Västra Sveriges Heraldiska Sällskap (see VSHS)
VSHS	Västra Sveriges Heraldiska Sällskap (incorrectly abbreviated VSHA)
VVC	Volga Vexillology Club (see RCVH)
WH	Wappen-Herold, Deutsche Heraldische Gesellschaft e.V.
WVRI	World Vexillological Research Institute
ZI	Zászlókutató Intézet (see MZT)

PRESENCE OF FIAV MEMBER DELEGATES AND OTHERS AT GENERAL ASSEMBLY SESSIONS

Member	Joined	Left	1 1969	2 1971	3 1973	4 1975	5 1977	6 1979	7 1981	8 1983	9 1985	10 1987	11 1989	12 1991	13 1993	14 1995	15 1997	16 1999	17 2001	18 2003	19 2005
NAVA charter	1969		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
FRC charter	1969		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
USFF charter	1969	2003			X			X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	-----	-----
NFF (FPF) charter	1969		X	X			X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SSV charter	1969		X	X	X	X		X			X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
NVvV (NVV) charter	1969		X	X	X	X		X							X	X			X	X	
SBH charter	1969	1981	X	X	X	X	X	X		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
HSFS charter	1969	1987	X	X		X							-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
ASM charter	1969	1987	X	X									-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
OGHB charter	1969	1985	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
WH charter	1969	1995	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				X			-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
AFEIV (AIEV) charter	1969	1987	X	X	X	X						-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
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CISV 14	1973		-----	-----	X	X		X							X	X	X		X	X	X
NF 15	1973		-----	-----		X	X	X			X		X	X			X	X	X	X	X
TWMF 16	1975		-----	-----	-----	X	X			X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
GOH 17	1975	1997	-----	-----	-----	X	X	X	X	X	X			X			-----	-----	-----	-----	-----

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SVB 20	1979		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				X	X	X	
FDC 21	1981		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
ACV 22	1985		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	X	X	X		X	X	X		X	X	X	
FSA 23	1985		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
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SFV 27	1991		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	
SAVA 28	1991		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
CVS (VK) 29	1993		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
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CEBED31	1993		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
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AAV 33	1993		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	X			X	X	X	X	X
WVRI 34	1993		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
HVK 35	1993		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	X		X					
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GWAV 49	1999		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	X	X	X	X
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