1st Board Meeting of the ACC Minutes/report September 2nd, 1999, 20:00 CET Peoplesite, Denmark

The following persons were present:

John Petersen, Denmark
Siebren de Boer, The Netherlands (Frisia)
Jesper Nielsen, Denmark
László Dani, Romania (Transilvania)
Mjellma Mehmeti, Macedonia
Conchi Gallego, Spain

Enclosures to the meeting, sent in advance :

- i) Agenda of the meeting
- ii) Informations sent by John Petersen (chairperson)
- iii) Budgets for 1999 and 2000
- 1) Conchi chairs and opens the meeting.
- 2) The agenda is approve unanimously.
- 3) Next point in the meeting was discussing and plan for changing paragraph no.9 of the
- Statues. John explains that proposals for General Assembly (GA) should be received by the board before May 1st, according to no.9, and according to no.8 the call for GA can be called as early as May 1st. John proposed then that this date should be changed and that in no.9 should say "received by the board before April 15th". It was agreed that this proposal will be taken to be discussed in the GA.
- 4) John introduced the topic about the chapters. Some people have suggested that local members could be organized in chapters. This way they could apply for funds at a national level, and it would allow the members of these chapters to discuss among them during the year about their own topics. The general opinion was that this could be interesting in the long run, but it was not considered to be something urgent. We agreed on taking this point for the first face-to-face meeting to be held by the board.

- 5) John made a presentation of the Budgets for 1999 and 2000 and the reason why these were presented. He explained the main activities that required a bigger amount of money (as the GA, the working-camp in Rite...) and answered the questions that board members had about them. John also informed that an amount of 10.000 Euro has been orally confirmed, but is not definite yet. Everybody agreed that this approving the budget now was something formal that we had to do to be able to apply for funds, it was agreed that in the future first thing to do will be discussing about activities, and then doing the budget. Both budgets were unanimously accepted.
- 6) John gave up-dated information about coming board-meetings. Meetings have been scheduled in Skopje 3-5/12, Chevreuse 11-13/2 and Budapest 28-30/4. The dates of the first board meeting were discussed and most of the board members found better to consider the following weekend 9-11/12. Mjellma, board member from Macedonia agreed on the date. As we know if money would be available for this meeting we will state the final dates.
- 7) John informs the board that the ACC is registered as an association. About the rest of information that had been send by John to all board members a few things were discussed. Firs we talked about the logo, and we came up with the idea that a logo competition could be done among the members. László volunteers to write a letter informing about the contest.
- 8) About fund-raising policy we agreed that all money is welcome now that we are starting, but we decided to take this point to our first face-to-face meeting for further discussion to decide whether we should have an specific policy.
- 9) Finally we discussed about the ACC members. John has written a letter for the participants of the Minority courses including the new statues. Conchi volunteers to do a second reading of it with the suggestions of the rest of board members, and send it as soon as possible to Mjellma who will mail them.
- 10) The board meeting is closed