Report from Durban
By PDG Keith McKusker and Anthony Thng, representing IFSR at the World Conference

Nearly 1,000 people from 116 countries (out of a possible 153 member nations) participated in the 35th World Scout Conference in Durban, South Africa 26-30 July, 1999. In addition to 640 delegates and observers, there were local support teams and other accompanying persons.

This was the first World Scout Conference to be held in South Africa, and the third to be held in Africa. A "World Scout Conference" is the governing body of the world organization, functioning as scouting's general assembly.

The following people were elected to the World Scout Committee for six-year terms:
- Mrs. Margot Campbell BOGERT, USA;
- Dr. (Mrs.) Marie-Louise CORREA, Senegal;
- Mr. Ferran GUIMARÃES, Elies, Spain;
- Mr. Walter HOF-STETTER, Switzerland;
- Mr. Felix Li Tai Ho, Singapore; and
- Mr. "Toby" Takemichi SUZUKI, Japan

The World Scout Committee elected to three-year terms:
- Chairman Mr. Garnet de la Hunt, Cape Town, South Africa

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Annual General Meeting held June 14, 1999 during RI Convention in Singapore

International Chair PRID John Kenny chaired the meeting and welcomed all attending. Congratulations were extended to members of the Singapore Scout Association for the excellent flag ceremony performed to open the Convention.

The chair announced that a draft Constitution (following RI model bylaws in the Fellowships handbook) will be published in a forthcoming IFSR newsletter, then submitted to Fellowships members at the next Annual General Meeting.

PDG Keith McKusker and Anthony Thng will be IFSR representatives at the World Scout Conference in Durban, South Africa the last week of July. [Note: Their report also appears on this page.]
International Chair Harold appointed Region Chairs: European Tom Cryer; Asia Pacific Anthony Thng, InterAmerican Bud Allison. Section Chairs: ANZIO PDG Jeff Schahinger, Hong Kong Jones Wong, Thailand Niels Colov.

The incoming International Chair made these additional appointments: Bruce Treffz will coordinate publicity

Upon a motion by DG David Judge, all paid tribute to the work done by retiring Chairman PRID John Kenny whose leadership has made the existence and maintenance of the Fellowship possible during his 3 years as chair.

Incoming Chair PDG Harold Friend was thanked for his past services to IFSR and support was expressed in his aims for the future.

This Fellowship’s Next meeting will be during the Buenos Aires RI convention. The Inter-American Region will be responsible for the IFSR booth in the House of Friendship at the next convention.

Outgoing International Chair PRID John Kenny ended the meeting by thanking all present for their efforts.

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- Vice-Chairman for Finance and Support: Mrs. Margot Bogert, New York USA
- Vice-Chairman for Educational Methods Mr. Patrick Lyon d’Andrimont, Santiago, Chile

The following members of the World Scout Committee completed terms: Cham Son Chau, Hong Kong; John R. Donnell Jr., USA; Vice Chairman; Jocelyne Gendrin France; Vice Chairman; Francisco Roman, Philippines, Chairman; Abdourahmane Sow, Senegal; and Ivo Stern, Mexico.

During the Conference 15 countries were welcomed as new members of the World Scout Organization: Albania, Angola, Armenian, Belarus, Bhutan, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Georgian, Lithuania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Moldova, Mozam-bique, Slovenia, Tajikistan, and St. Vincent and the Grenadines.

The Bronze Wolf is the only award made by the World Scout Committee. It is given solely in recognition or outstanding services, by an individual to the World Scout Movement.

At this Conference, the Bronze Wolf Award was presented by the World Scout Committee to: Abdoulaye Sar, Senegal; Honorable Kim Chong Huh, Korea; Vladimir Lomeiko, UNESCO; Malik M’Baye, UNESCO and Senegal; Jack McCracken, Canada; and Mohamad Binahtiri, Tunisia, and Jacques Moreillon Secretary General of the World Organization of the Scout Movement.

The Conference adopted a policy to ensure that WOSM is a movement which addresses equally the educational needs of both boys and girls, young women and young men.

The adoption of a clear, concise user friendly mission statement to which all national Scout organizations contributed will help all members of the Movement to gain a stronger sense of belonging and commitment.

This will be a useful tool to help everyone - both within and outside of the Movement - gain a better perception and understanding of what the Movement is and wants to achieve over a period of time.

It is to be used at all levels of the organization to establish and adopt detailed strategy for the development of Scouting and the successful implementation of its mission. This will be the subject of work at all level in coming years.

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From left: Past IFSR Chair PRID John Kenney (UK), World Scout Council President DG Frankie Romano (Philippines), IFSR Chair PDG Harold Friend (USA)
From left: This fellowship’s incoming Vice Chair, DG David Judge (UK), congratulates our incoming Chair, PDG Harold Friend (USA), June 14 during the Annual General Meeting. Terms of IFSR offices run from 1 July to 30 June in keeping with the Rotary Fiscal Year.

European Region Chair (Past RIBI Chair) Tom Cryer during the Annual General Meeting in Singapore.

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