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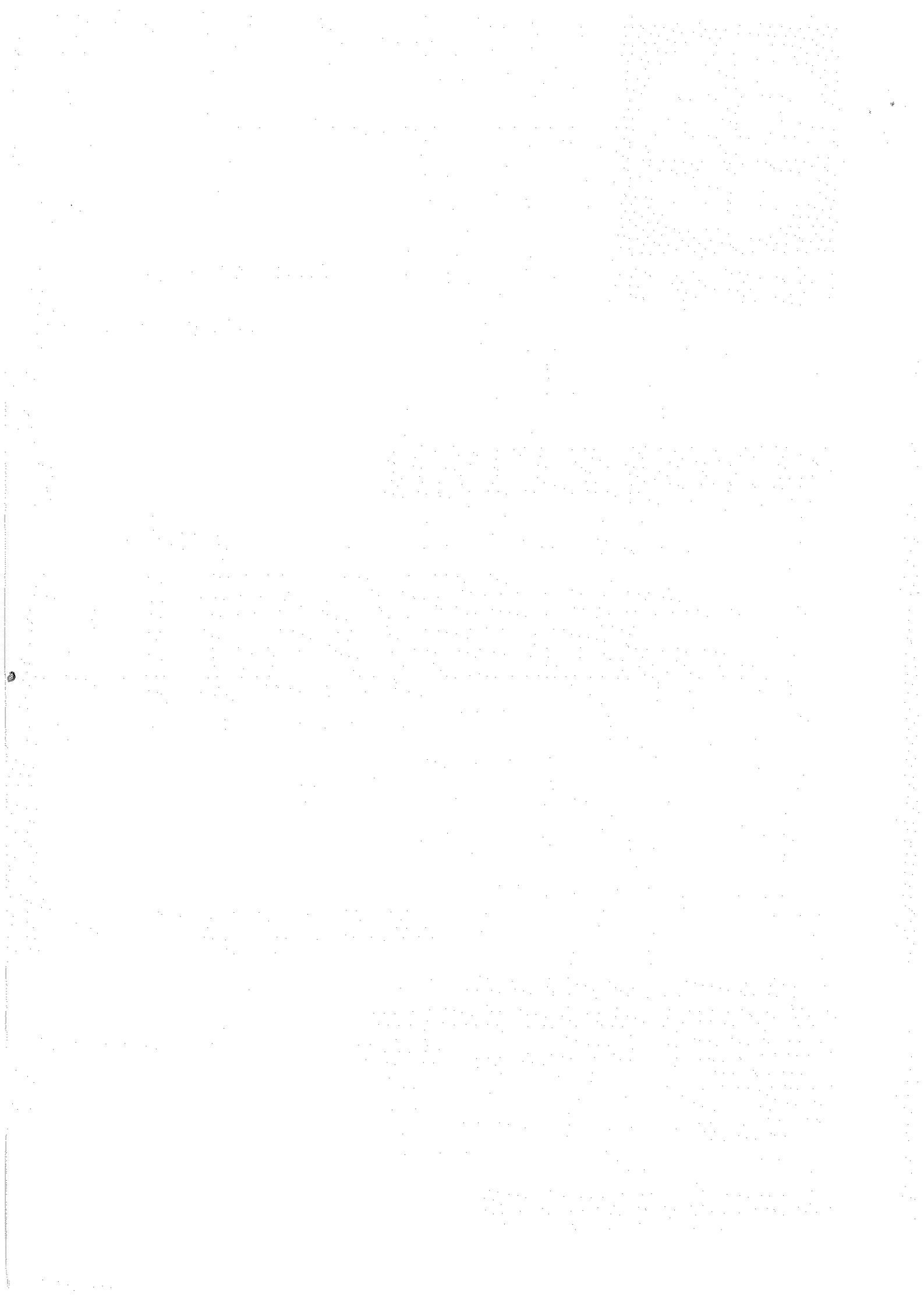
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EDITORIAL ( President's Opinion and Report )

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This is the first issue of I.O.F.O.S. NEWSLETTERS MADE in GERMANY. Since last year the ARBEITSKREIS FÜR FORENSISCHE ODONTO-STOMATOLOGIE GERMANY (AK FORODSTOM) is a member of our organisation. The delegates of the 12TH MEETING I.O.F.O.S. 1990, October, 24th-29th, ADELAIDE/Australia at the GENERAL ASSEMBLY, Sunday, 28th October, Convention Centre, North Terrace, elected the german delegate for the new president. This was a great honour to the newcoming member GERMANY and a great obligation as well. We want arrange the next I.O.F.O.S.MEETING (13TH) 1993, DÜSSELDORF, Germany, and I hope that we also may be successful in arranging a program, which will satisfy the participants from all over the world. This meeting is being held in conjunction with the 13TH-I.A.F.S.MEETING - the first such meeting in Germany.

Why Düsseldorf ?

It is easy to come to Düsseldorf, wherever you live. Düsseldorf has an International Airport and is located in the heart of Europe Düsseldorf has a hospitable University offering the congress venue (this will definitely have a positive influence on the congress fees). More about Düsseldorf in the next issues of our NEWSLETTER.

It is a great pleasure and honour for me to congratulate the Organising Committee ADELAIDE I.O.F.O.S. for the splendid programming, organising and carrying through the 12TH Meeting. I would like to pay tribute to the MR.PRESIDENT Dr. KENNETH A.BROWN; VICE PRESIDENT Dr. MAURICE C. CHURTON; SECRETARY TREASURER Dr. TONY LAKE and NEWSLETTER EDITOR and MANAGING EDITOR of the Journal of FORENSIC ODONTO-STOMATOLOGY Dr.DAVID WILSON and the EDITOR IN CHIEF of the Journal Dr. CYRIL THOMAS.

Standing ovations to the Mr.President Dr. Kenneth A. Brown and his excellent staff at the end of the I.O.F.O.S. General Assembly, initiated by the South African colleague, were a striking demonstration from all of us to the President of two triennial periods, starting in OXFORD, U.K.(1984), 10TH MEETING and prolonging at VANCOUVER, CANADA (1987), 11TH MEETING. Thank you very much, dear Ken Brown, thank you very much, dear colleagues from AUSTRALIA !

May I introduce the HEAD of I.O.F.O.S.:

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Dr.Dr.Klaus Rötzscher, Maximilianstraße 22, 6720 Speyer  
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Studies 1951-56 Medicine Leipzig, 1957 Dr.med.,  
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Since 1977 Private Practitioner in Dental Medicine, SPEYER,  
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1981 Director Heinrich-Hammer-Institut Kiel,  
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1988 Fellow AC.of Dentistry int.,  
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Member of AK FORODSTOM, AK Medicine and Law,  
AG Scientific Medical Societies,  
Founding member of European Union Accident Research.

*OBITUARY:*

Dr. Ferdinand Ström, Norway, died on November 29th 1990.  
He was one of the pioneers in FORENSIC ODONTO-STOMATOLOGY.  
For all of us it is difficult to live and to work without him.  
We are missing him; our sympathy goes to his family.

Klaus Rötzscher

## FERDINAND STRÖM IN MEMORIAM

A pioneer in forensic odontology, Dr. Ferdinand Ström, passed away on November 29th 1990 at an age of 87. He graduated from the Dental School in Oslo, Norway, in 1927 and has worked as a general practitioner until 1977.

Ferdinand Ström's interest in forensic odontology was initiated as early as 1932 when the police in Oslo announced that they had recovered the body of a young woman whose identity was unknown. He was triggered by the information that she had a temporary filling in a front tooth and he realized immediately the importance of dental information and the dentist's role in an identification. After a study tour to Germany where he met some of the most famous forensic odontologists, he advocated the field for police and forensic pathologists in Norway. Gradually he was asked to assist in identification after the fire in an atelier in Oslo where 29 young people succumbed. As far as we know, this was the first time an identification commission, including two dentists, was appointed. A report was given in "Deutsche Zahn-,Mund- und Kieferheilkunde" in 1940.

During and after the World War Second Ferdinand Ström continued to be active in identification work. Well known is his contribution towards the identification of almost 200 Norwegian patriots, stripped of all identifying items, executed by the Germans and buried in mass graves. He also served one summer (1946) in the Norwegian Military Mission in continental Europe in their search to repatriate fallen or executed Norwegian citizens. Ferdinand Ström stimulated and encouraged forensic odontologists in the other Scandinavian countries such as P.O.Pedersen and Sören Keiser-Nielsen in Denmark and Gösta Gustafson and Karl Oskar Frykholm in Sweden who started their activities during and after the war. Later on his advice and encouragement has also been appreciated by Jan Jakobsen in Denmark. Gunnar Johanson in Sweden and Olavi Heikinheimo in Finland. Together these experts brought forensic odontology in Scandinavia to the forefront both regarding practical work, teaching and research.

After the war Ferdinand Ström continued to extend his experience to include air disasters, tooth mark cases and cases involving dental injuries. Internationally, he is perhaps most famous for his identification of Adolf Hitler in 1973 in cooperation with the Norwegian-American professor Reidar Sognaes.

Ten hour lectures in forensic odontology were included in the dental curriculum at the Dental School in Oslo from 1947, and in 1956 he was appointed to a permanent post at that school. From 1969 until retirement in 1973 he was a member of the staff at the Department of Pathology. Ferdinand Ström was also interested in many organisations and served for ten years from 1952 as Chairman of F.D.I.'s subcommission on dental aspects of forensic medicine. He was the Editor of the Norwegian Journal of "Oral Hygiene" 1936 - 1940.

Ferdinand Ström had a broad professional knowledge which he considered a necessary background for a forensic odontologist. His interests included prophylaxis and diagnosis, radiography and pedodontics as well as social dentistry. For twenty years he was a part time practitioner at a psychiatric hospital. He was also honored by the Norwegian Dental Association for having served as Chairman for the Oslo branch 1945-1946 and as Editor of the Norwegian Dental Journal 1959-1961.

In addition he had a never failing interest in arts, especially painting. Numerous visiting forensic odontologists have enjoyed his expert guidance at the MUNCH museum in Oslo.

Ferdinand Ström's enthusiasm and interest, his teaching and high ethical standard in forensic odontology have served as an example for us who continue his work in Norway. He never lost his interest in recent advances and his valuable advice was always appreciated and will be deeply missed. After his retirement the annual weekend meetings of Scandinavian colleagues at his countryhouse in Southern Norway have been of crucial importance to their cooperation and mutual understanding.

Ferdinand Ström was a true Internationalist. Outside Scandinavia it may not be so well known that his hearty and never failing support and belief in I.O.F.O.S. gave an important contribution to the formation and running of the Organisation through many difficulties.

More than anything Ferdinand will be missed by us as a true Friend for whom nothing was too small to be discussed.

May he rest in peace !

Tore Solheim and Gisle Bang

As the EDITOR I want to spread the NEWSLETTER as follows :

1. PRESIDENT'S OPINION AND REPORT,
2. SHORT HISTORY OF FORENSIC ODONTO-STOMATOLOGY,
3. READER'S DIGEST - REVIEW OF NEWSLETTER I.O.F.O.S.  
(from the early beginning - November, December 1977  
President Reidar Sognaess, Los Angeles, U.S.A.)
4. CONGRESSES, INFORMATION, MEETINGS, NEWS, YOUR VOICE,
5. LIBRARY, LITERATURE.

**WE ARE ON THE ROAD AGAIN !**

**HIGHLIGHTS OF 13TH MEETING I.O.F.O.S. DÜSSELDORF 1993:**

1. BRING THE STUDIES TO THE BASE  
the Undergraduate and Postgraduate Education in  
FORODSTOM, Education and Information to the Police,  
Criminalists and the Forensic Pathologists et al.,
  - 1.1. USE YOUR RIGHTS  
interdisciplinary co-operation, legal and medicolegal aspects
  - 1.2. WE NEED YOU  
International co-operation, Data-Exchange in cases of mass-  
disaster investigation, Computer-aided-Expertise.  
*In the field on I.O.F.O.S. we use one road.  
It's not a CIRCULAR, it's a ONE-WAY without U-TURN,  
and we all are driving one Vehicle, I.O.F.O.S. to  
the next and last three STOPS of this millenium.  
Next STOP, DÜSSELDORF in 1993!*  
*I hope, all the friends and colleagues in Europe (but not  
only the Europeans) will help us to arrange a good MEETING  
as the Australian Colleagues did.*
- 1.2. INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION
  - 1.2.1 For better Information and Contact  
When your president is calling you, please,  
answer - as soon as possible,  
When you call your president  
he will answer as soon as possible.
  - 1.2.2 Co-operation  
Inform your president's Secretariat, please, early about  
the activities of your member-society in FORODSTOM  
i.e. Congresses, Meetings, News a.s.o.  
by this way the other member-societies can be informed  
also early about yours.
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it's the key to the dental charts-  
and - it's a document - use it)
  - 1.2.4 The Secretary Treasurer of all member-societies will, please,  
transfer the annual fees of I.O.F.O.S. (DM 80.-) before  
July, 1ST 1991 to the Secretary Treasurer RA Ernst-R. Rohde,  
Bank: DEUTSCHE BANK FRANKFURT( FFM), GERMANY  
Account: 214 2222, BLZ (Bank-Leading-Number) 500 700 10

## ad 2. *SHORT HISTORY OF FORENSIC ODONTO-STOMATOLOGY*

### INTRODUCTION:

The different terms of dentistry, dental medicine, odontology and stomatology imply different practical and scientific-theoretical functions.

Modern stomatology stands, according to our requirements, for the normal development, conservation or rehabilitation of the orofacial system.

The orofacial system includes the functional system of teeth, masticatory apparatus, jaws and their joints, masseter and facial muscles, glands, soft tissues, membranes and their support by blood, lymph and nerves.

A stomatologist is therefore not just a dentist (odontologist), but has to think and treat in terms of odontology and orthodontics.

Forensic Odonto-Stomatology as a special modification of stomatology is an independent scientific branch within the forensic sciences which deliberately put their research and methods into the service of the administration of justice.

Forensic odonto-stomatology is supposed to collect all the results of odontological research to serve criminal prosecution and legal procedure. It is therefore regarded as an independent branch of science, originating from the requirement of a civilized nation to its system of law and its administration of justice.

Some aspects of forensic Odonto-Stomatology are as follows:

1. Assessing scientific disputes forensically,
2. Establishing certain principles which, being generally approved correct, are supposed to serve as a standard for the correct odontological practice,
3. identification of unknown bodies (dead or alive) in certain cases,
4. supporting investigation and prosecution of crimes,
5. imparting certain juridical knowledge which only allows an effective co-operation between stomatologists and the administration of justice.

It is often believed that only those few odonto-stomatologists who serve as expert witnesses need to have some knowledge in this field. But one must not forget, that every odonto-stomatologist is obliged by the code of criminal procedure to be an expert witness, should the situation arise. In addition to that, it is advisable to know something about it to avoid possible compensation claims.



ad 3. **READER'S DIGEST - REVIEW OF NEWSLETTERS I.O.F.O.S.**

**WITHOUT THE KNOWLEDGE ABOUT YESTERDAY NO KNOWLEDGE ABOUT TO-MORROW**

In November/December 1977 I received my first INTERFOS NEWSLETTER, Secretary J.D.PURVES, D.D.S. TORONTO, Canada, President I.O.F.O.S.: Reidar F.Sognaess, Los Angeles, VicePresident R.Kieser, Netherlands, Hon.President GÖSTA GUSTAFSON, (at that time) Lund, Sweden, REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES (Board of Directors): Kenneth A.Brown, Australia, Arun Ganguli, Calcutta, E.Panzoni, Florenz, Tore Solheim, Oslo, K.Suzuki Tokyo, B.S.Svadkovsky, Moscow and C.W.van Wyk, South Africa.

These all are names of the very active corps of high qualified officers on Forensic Odonto-Stomatology.

We should remember and be happy about their activities to-day.

**Editorial- cuttings:**

The lack of an educational component-both undergraduate and postgraduate, is glaringly obvious.-

At present, through the working group on forensic dentistry of the F.D.I.(FEDERATION DENTAIRE INTERNATIONALE) we have the potential of standardizing our multiple nomenclatures.-

1978 Fees IOFOS 25 Guilders.-

The Australian member of INTERFOS Board of Directors, Dr.Kenneth BROWN has visited, through a traveling fellowship from the Churchill Memorial Trust, colleagues in Denmark, England, Japan, Sweden and Yugoslavia and promoted our discipline at civil, academic and military levels in Australia.-

**MESSAGE FROM THE INTERFOS PRESIDENT, Minutes of Forensic Meetings-TORONTO, October, 1977:**

Officers of the I.S.F.O.S. met in Toronto in conjunction with the annual congress of the F.D.I.-

**GENERAL PROGRAM AREAS from THE WICHITA IAFA/INTERFOS CONGRESS, Plenary Session, May 22 1978 Wichita/Kansas:"Medical, Legal, Law Enforcement and Forensic Aspects of International Terrorism", distinguished participation, American and foreign, includes the United Nations, INTERPOL, US Department of Justice.-**

**I.O.F.O.S.NEWSLETTER YEAR 1 No.1 NOV 1978** President of IOFOS and Editor S. KEISER-NIELSEN ,Copenhagen; Secretary Gunnar Johanson, Huddinge SWEDEN:

NL Policy: We invite local, state, national, regional societies to send us short notices for publication. We invite our readers to send us questions and comments.-

Finally, we will include columns of coming events and of references to articles and books we have come across.-

FDI: Within the FDI, a Working Group on Forensic Odontology (WG-FO) has been active for many years. **The FDI WG-FO saw another recommendation adopted by the FDI General Assembly in Bukarest in 1970, namely on the Two-Digit System for designating human teeth. The creation of an internationally acceptable, uniform way of designating teeth was the first step towards uniform dental recording world-wide.**

An enormous amount of experience and information lies hidden in the daily dental records of private practitioners all over the world; unfortunately, this information cannot be extracted and utilized, simply because it has not been recorded in comparable language (pg3). -  
Membership fee in Wichita 1978 was fixed at UK/L or US\$ 11 for the year 1979 -

**NL YEAR 1; No. 2 APR 1979** Editorial (parts) The adjective "forensic" originates from the Latin "forum" as it's derivation.-  
Unfortunately, several major languages do not have their own word for "forensic". - However, as long as we communicate in English, we believe that Forensic Odonto-Stomatology is a clear and appropriate name. S. Keiser-Nielsen, editor.-

At the 67TH FDI World Dental Congress in Paris 1979, Oct, the FDI/WG-FO will hold a business meeting including on-going projects on 1) world-wide introduction of denture marking, 2) establishment of uniform basic curricula in FO, and 3) promoting of uniform dental recording of risk groups. During the same congress will stage an Open Session on: Education in FO.-

*(pg3): We take the liberty to quote from an editorial in J Dent*

Assoc S Afr 34(2):49, Febr 1979: Do your charts record all information - TEETH: present, absent, erupting. RESTORATIONS: amalgam, synthetic, gold, VMK, other.

Prostheses: type, clasps, materials used, labelled. ARTIFICIAL TEETH: Do you routinely up-date your charts ?

Are your radiographs adequately labelled, dated, stored ?

Do you use the FDI recording system ?-

**NL YEAR 1; No. 3 JUL 1979** (editorial S. Keiser-Nielsen - parts-) Talking of definitions: Dental Identification and Dental Expert. We know of many colleagues who, for the sake of clarity, prefer the latter interpretation.

Dental Identification is the positive outcome of a comparison between the dental findings in an unknown body or person with previously recorded dental data on a known missing person. For the term Dental Expert it would seem necessary to distinguish between Dental Expert and Forensic Dental Expert. We expect this point to cause quite some discussion at the WG meeting in Paris.-

The SCANDINAVIAN SOCIETY OF FORENSIC ODONTO-STOMATOLOGY (SSFOS). At the triennial 7TH Meeting in Sandefjord (Norway) on June 1979 changed its English name from the former SSFO to SSFOS (Odonto-Stomatology). The society regulations were revised in order to indicate that it is a regional society composed of national member organizations. There is no fee; membership follows automatically from being member of the national society or group. The aim of the society is to represent national societies/groups and members internationally.-

THE NETHERLANDS AND GREAT BRITAIN: The Dutch Dental Association has set up a group of colleagues -

Drs. E.W. Free, J.W. Scherpbier, D. Slop and P. Vlas- to organize the future development of FO in the Netherlands, academically as well as practically. So did the BDA- Prof.s R.W. Fearnhead and A.E.W. Miles, Drs. I.R. Hill and B.G. Sims- to attain the same goals.

WEST-GERMANY: Prof. Werner Hahn, Kiel, informs us that a Working Group on FO was formed in West-Germany in 1976 sponsored by the German Society of Oral Medicine (Deutsche Gesellschaft für Zahn-, Mund- und Kieferheilkunde). The State Criminal Police has been advised of the existence of the group and a roster of available dental experts forwarded. The group meets annually.-

SCANDINAVIA: The Scandinavian Society of Forensic Odonto-Stomatology (SSFOS) staged its First European Course in FO in Copenhagen and Malmö on May 17-19, 1979. -

NL YEAR 1; No 4 NOV 1979 (editorial S. Keiser-Nielsen-parts)

In literature and film, all over the world, there seems to be a constant interest in the problem of "finding one's identity".- Whenever authorities take action for or against a citizen, they invariably start with identifying him or her, or they will not be able to handle, settle, and file the case. Should that citizen not be present in person, formal identification based on recorded data may prove necessary.-

Dental records list well defined physical data, often in abbreviated form. Thus, professional notation such as "14:sam O-D" is the most condensed name we can give to a particular feature, and one that is easily managable in comparison with similar notation. This is our strength when working as dental identification experts.-

STATE POLICE - DISASTER IDENTIFICATION TEAMS: While the Swedish State Police has established, long ago, a firmly organized and fully equipped DIT, similar precautions in Norway and Denmark are not quite so advanced.-

At a meeting on January 4th, 1980, the Danish group will again discuss its position and, at the same time, decide whether or not to officially form a Danish Society for Forensic Odonto-Stomatology.-

FDI -WORKING GROUP ON FORENSIC ODONTOLOGY (WG-FO):

At the World Dental Congress of the FDI in Paris, the Working Group on FO changed its formal status from that of a temporary WG under a parent commission to that of a permanent group under the new Committee of Commissions.-

NATIONAL SOCIETIES for FOS: It would seem more and more clear that the ISFOS is a kind of super-structure founded before the fundament was safely laid. Our fundament must of necessity be national societies for FOS rather than individual supporting members, although the latter are the only ones who can carry us through the present period of fortification.-

The South African Society for Forensic Odonto-Stomatology (SASFOS) was founded at a meeting in Johannesburg on Sept 13th- with member of our ISFOS International Board, Dr. Werner v. Wyk (Stellenbosch), elected as its first president.-

The society (SASFOS) is a special group within the Dental Association of South Africa (DASA) and it furthermore decided to let its membership dues include subscription to ISFOS - making each member a member automatically of ISFOS. At present, there are 36 members of the SASFOS.-

In Sweden, at the annual meeting of the Swedish Dental Association (SDA), a session on FO will be held on Nov 15th 1979, would be followed by a meeting of those interested to discuss the founding of a Swedish Society for Forensic Odonto-Stomatology as a special group under the SDA. Already 20 colleagues have indicated their interest in attending.-

OBITUARY:

Dr. John Furness, Liverpool, died from a heart attack in early September. As a private practitioner, John developed an early interest in FO and was among the founders of the Liverpool Study Group.-

END of Readers Digest, NL Year 1,1979.

4. ACTUALITIES, CONGRESSES, INFORMATION, MEETINGS, NEWS, YOUR VOICE  
in 1991:

4.1.

XI<sup>TH</sup> TRIENNIAL CONGRESS OF NORDIC SOCIETY FOR FORENSIC MEDICINE  
JUNE 13<sup>TH</sup> - 15<sup>TH</sup>, 1991 OULU, FINLAND

SECTION FOR FORENSIC ODONTOLOGY

(XI NORDISKA KONGRESSEN i RÄTTSMEDICIN.

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Program:

Wednesday, 12th.6. Arrival, Announcement, Come-together-party

Thursday, 13th.6. 09.00 Opening session, 13.00-17.00 Forensic

Odontology for the Pathologist and Police, Case

Presentations Prof. Gunnar Johanson (Chairman),

Friday, 14th.6. 9.00-17.00 Dental jurisprudence, Legal aspects

in Forensic Odontology, Insurance Aspects, Free

Communications/Posters (Pertti Sainio, Yvo Vermylen

et al).

Saturday, 15th.6. 09.00-12.00 Postgraduate Education in Forensic

Odontology, Business meeting (Derek Clark, John Clement

Hakan Mörnstad, Klaus Röttscher, Tore Solheim and

Pertti Sainio (Chairman).

Fees : (Deltagare 1000 FmK (1200 FmK after 15th, March 91)

Ledsagare 500 FmK.

- 4.2. INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON MASS-DISASTERS, LAUSANNE, SWITZERLAND, September 13th and 14th, 1991  
 Lausanne, University Hospital (CHUV), Languages: German and English, without translation,  
 Organization: G.DETRAZ, H.-R. GUJER, C.IMOBERSTEG, T. KROMPECHER,
- Secretary: P.D. Dr. Thomas KROMPECHER, Institut universitaire de Médecine légale, Rue du Bugnon 21, CH-1005 LAUSANNE,  
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 FAX : +4121/313 21 91
- Fees : Participant: S.Fr.200.- before July 15,1991  
 S.Fr.250.- after July 16,1991  
 Accompanying S.Fr. 150.-before July 15,1991  
 person : S.Fr. 180.- after July 16,1991
- Abstracts should be received no later than APRIL 1ST,91  
 The final program will be sent by the end of June 1991,  
 For ordering REGISTRATION FORM write to the Secretary.  
 For the participants of the German Society Meeting, the symposium is free of charge.
- 4.3. FIRST CARIBBEAN FORENSIC SCIENCES CONFERENCE, SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO, SEPTEMBER 24th-29th,1991  
 SECRETARY: COLEGIO DE QUIMICOS DE PUERTO RICO  
 P.O.BOX 11183, Caparra Heights Station, San Juan, PUERTO RICO 00922  
 Craniofacial Identification et al.:  
 E. Dentistry and Anthropology,  
 1.General Overview, 2. Activities of For.Od.,  
 3. Activities of the Forensic Anthropologist.  
 Registration Fees before May 1st,1991 \$150,00,  
 after May 1st,1991 \$200,00.
- 4.4. 79TH FDI- WORLD - CONGRESS 1991, 7th - 13th, October 1991 MILANO (ITALY).  
 Welcome to Italy; The Organizing Committee Of The 79TH FDI ANNUAL WORLD DENTAL CONGRESS Invites You To Milano (ITALY)
- 4.5. SYMPOSIUM of the ARBEITSKREIS FÜR FORENSISCHE ODONTO-STOMATOLOGIE, Saturday, 19th, October 1991  
 10.00, Hörsaal of the Zahn-, Mund- und Kieferklinik of the University MAINZ, Augustusplatz 2, D-6500 MAINZ (GERMANY)  
 Fees: 30.-DM, registration until 3rd, October 1991,  
 Secretariat: Prof.Dr.Dr.Werner Hahn (CHAIRMAN),  
 Heinrich-Hammer-Institut, Westring 498, D-2300 KIEL1

ACTUALITIES, CONGRESSES, INFORMATION , MEETINGS, NEWS in 1992:

1.           FIRST INFORMATION:  
February, 1992 joint meeting of B.A.F.O. and A.S.F.O.  
NEW ORLEANS, U.S.A.  
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I.O.F.O.S. GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Convention Centre, Adelaide  
Sunday, 28th October, 1990 - 1530 hours

AGENDA

Opening  
Apologies  
Minutes of last Meeting  
Induction of new Member Societies  
Introduction of Society delegates  
Reports - President  
          - Secretary/Treasurer  
          - Societies  
Election of Officers  
Election of Nominating Committee  
General Assembly for 1993  
Journal of Forensic Odonto-Stomatology  
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General Business  
Adjournment

PRESIDENT'S REPORT  
for Triennium 1988-1990

The last three years have passed very rapidly - and as I look back, it seems a lot of energy has been expended and I still have not managed to achieve all the goals I set in 1988.

However, having said that, it is satisfying to dwell for a moment on what has taken place within this Society. I.O.F.O.S. has demonstrated increasing strength and has been characterized by unity among its constitutional National Societies.

I.O.F.O.S. incorporates a great diversity of cultures and must devise ways to build bridges of communication and cooperation between member societies and create an awareness within our communities and governments of the importance of forensic odontology and its potential of service to society. Further we need to recognise the enormous potential for the role of forensic odontology in developing countries. We must adopt a full measure of tolerance and understanding of cultural differences and traditions which influence the application of forensic odontology from country to country.

There is a need for greater communication between member countries and the Newsletter is an effective medium to achieve this. However, because we do not receive a lot of feed-back, we are not always sure that everyone is receiving the Newsletter. The Constitution allows for a copy of the Newsletter to be sent to a specific officer of each National Society. That officer will then arrange for translation (if necessary) and duplication and distribution of the Newsletter to that society's own membership. At least at the production end this practice has been followed.

The number of subscriptions to the Journal of Forensic Odonto-Stomatology have grown in the last three years. All members are encouraged to subscribe and contribute to this Journal. The fact that the Journal has been edited in Australia, sent to South Africa for printing, and then shipped back to Australia for distribution has made the task of producing it quite involved. It has also proved to be more expensive than expected, and on investigation, it has been found that it would be about the same cost to print it in Australia, and mail it directly from there.

Finally, I would like to pay tribute to those people who have given so willingly of their time and efforts in supporting me during this triennium. To the Vice President, Dr. Maurice Churton; Secretary/Treasurer, Dr. Tony Lake and Newsletter Editor and Managing Editor of the Journal, Dr. David Wilson and the Editor in Chief of the Journal, Dr. Cyril Thomas I wish to extend my sincere thanks for their cooperation, willingness to listen when I needed a friendly ear and above all for their support and attention to detail in their various duties.



SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT - 1988-1991

I.O.F.O.S.

Over the past three years the Organisation has maintained its membership (12) at a static level and income during this period has been bolstered by an abnormally high interest rate on funds invested. Expenditure has also been unusually low due to no Secretarial costs and cheap photocopying costs. Thanks for this must be given to Mrs. Elaine Formenti, Secretary, The University of Adelaide Forensic Odontology Unit.

The profit achieved therefore cannot be expected to continue next triennium and therefore it would be unwise to reduce Member Society subscriptions.

The Journal of Forensic Odonto-Stomatology

I.O.F.O.S., at the beginning of 1988 agreed to take the Journal of Forensic Odonto-Stomatology as its own official publication and in doing so took on the role of receiver of subscriptions (except for South Africa) and distribution. Publication and costs associated with this, have remained in the hands of the South African body and to date I.O.F.O.S. has not received a financial report relating to these finances, although I have indirectly been informed that their funds are now almost depleted. It is therefore impossible for me to comment on the overall picture, so I will restrict my comments to the I.O.F.O.S. Accounts.

Income for the three years has fluctuated with the variations in subscriptions, but has also been assisted by the high interest rates in Australia over that period. Subscriptions have been paid in four different currencies which has proved a problem. Initially, when subscriptions were determined, all currencies were calculated as equal, but due to the severe relative fluctuations in their values, subscriptions paid in one currency have varied by as much as 25% from that of another, and because of this form of payment, has also dramatically increased exchange rate fees. I would therefore recommend that future subscriptions, as is the case with I.O.F.O.S., be in one currency, probably U.S. dollars.

Expenditure has largely related to postage. However, customs duties have recently risen in this country, as have bank charges.

The profit shown on the Balance Sheet and the funds held, do not reflect a true picture of the Journal's position financially, as publication costs will become dominant in the next triennium.

During the period I.O.F.O.S. has been associated with the Journal, five issues have been printed and distributed, 2 in 1988, 2 in 1989 and 1 in 1990, with back issues of these still in stock.

Overall, both Journal and I.O.F.O.S. finances are well positioned for the future, and I hereby present the audited reports of both for ratification.

INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATION OF FORENSIC

ODONTOSTOMATOLOGY

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES

FROM

1/1/88 to 30/6/90

INCOME

Subscriptions		
1987 (1)	75.00	
1988 (12)	784.85	
1989 (12)	849.78	
1990 (12)	772.28	
1991 (1)	<u>67.91</u>	
	2549.82	2549.82
Bank Interest		838.15
Funds Transfer from		
A.S.F.D.(IOFOS Ac)	924.95	
IOFOS (European Ac)	<u>3993.35</u>	
	4918.30	4918.30
Payment of Jnl.Sub to IOFOS		<u>35.00</u>
	TOTAL INCOME	<u>8341.27</u>

EXPENDITURE

Postage	222.65	
Photocopying	113.58	
Bank Charges	7.18	
IOFOS Logo (Design & Production)	380.00	
IOFOS Company Plaque	95.00	
Transfer of Jnl Sub Paid to IOFOS	<u>30.00</u>	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	<u>848.41</u>	
	SURPLUS FOR THE PERIOD	<u>7492.86</u>

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30/6/90

ASSETS

Accumulated funds as at 1/1/88		
Funds in hand	0.00	0.00
Plus surplus for period		<u>7492.86</u>
FUNDS AS AT 30/6/90		<u>7492.86</u>

REPRESENTED BY:

State Bank IOFOS A/c	1435.80
Int Acc 274001073760	6057.06
Cash in Hand	0.00
Plus debtors at 30/6/90	0.00
Less liabilities 30/6/90	0.00

TOTAL	<u>7492.86</u>
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I report that, in my opinion, the accompany statement of Receipts and Payments, and Balance Sheet of the Organization's Account are properly drawn up and reflect a true and fair state of that account as at 30/6/90.

HON.TREASURER  
A.W.LAKE

HON.AUDITOR  
T.SOLHEIM

DATED.

THE JOURNAL OF FORENSIC ODONTO-STOMATOLOGY

I.O.F.O.S. ACCOUNT

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES

FROM

1/1/88 to 30/6/90

INCOME

Subscriptions		
1988 (49)	1619.91	
1989 (100)	2998.49	
1990 (75)	2379.88	
1991 (3)	100.00	
	<u>7098.28</u>	7098.28
Bank Interest		645.99
Funds Transfer		840.12
Sundry ASFD Subs paid to Jnl. 1992-3 Subs		35.00 60.00
		<u>8679.39</u>
	<u>TOTAL INCOME</u>	<u>8679.39</u>

EXPENDITURE

Postage	1007.09	
Photocopying	40.60	
Bank Charges	7.71	
Customs Duty	115.97	
Accommodation	25.00	
Door Sign	35.00	
ASFD Subs Transfer	35.00	
	<u>1266.37</u>	
	<u>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</u>	<u>1266.37</u>
	<u>SURPLUS FOR PERIOD</u>	<u>7413.02</u>

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30/6/90

ASSETS

Accumulated funds at at 1/1/88		
Funds in hand	0.00	0.00
Plus surplus for period		7413.02
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FUNDS AS AT 30/6/90		7413.02
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REPRESENTED BY:

State Bank JFOS A/c	2739.91
Int Acc 274001074560	4673.11
Cash in Hand	0.00
Plus debtors as at 30/6/90	0.00
Less liabilities 30/6/90	0.00

TOTAL	<hr/>	7413.02
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I report that, in my opinion, the accompanying statement of receipts and payments, and Balance Sheet of the Organization's Account are properly drawn up and reflect a true and fair state of that account as at 30/6/90.

HON. TREASURER  
A.W. LAKE

DATED

HON. AUDITOR  
T. SOLHEIM

I.O.F.O.S. REGULATIONS (1987)

1. Name:

The Organization shall be known as the INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR FORENSIC ODONTO-STOMATOLOGY, with the official abbreviation I.O.F.O.S.

2. Objects:

- (a) To provide a liaison between societies of (legal) forensic odontology on a global basis.
- (b) To promote goodwill, advancement and research in forensic odontology.
- (c) To publish a newsletter on a regular basis.

3. Membership:

- (a) Any society may be given membership, provided its regulations are in accordance with I.O.F.O.S. objectives.
- (b) The Executive may by unanimous vote, accept new member societies; otherwise, the General Assembly delegates may accept new member societies by a simple majority vote.
- (c) Member societies have the obligation to send to I.O.F.O.S. a yearly report of their activities in forensic odontology.
- (d) Each member society shall have one vote at the General Assembly vested in their elected member delegate.
- (e) Membership by a member society will terminate upon written notice from that society, or if that member society's dues remain unpaid for one year. The General Assembly can revoke a member society's membership in I.O.F.O.S. with a 2/3 majority vote.

4. Executive:

- (a) Shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary/Treasurer and Editor.
- (b) Should normally come from the same member society.
- (c) Decides in all matters not covered by these regulations, or supplementary instructions.
- (d) May arrange postal voting by the member societies if urgent and important questions are to be decided.
- (e) Functional period is from one General Assembly to the next.

## I.O.F.O.S. REGULATIONS (1987)

1. NAME: Die Organisation soll bekannt werden als die ORGANISATION FOR FORENSIC ODONTO-STOMATOLOGY mit der offiziellen Abkürzung I.O.F.O.S.
2. Ziele: Es soll eine Verbindung hergestellt werden zwischen den Gesellschaften für (legale) forensische Odontologie auf globaler Basis.
3. Mitgliedschaft:
  - (a) Jede Gesellschaft kann Mitglied werden, wenn ihre Regeln mit den Zielen der I.O.F.O.S. harmonisieren.
  - (b) Die Executive kann bei einstimmiger Wahl neue Mitgliedergesellschaften akzeptieren; andererseits können die Delegierten der Vollversammlung durch einfache Mehrheitswahl neue Mitgliedergesellschaften akzeptieren.
  - (c) Mitgliedergesellschaften erhalten die Auflage, einen jährlichen Report über ihre Aktivitäten in forensischer Odontologie an die I.O.F.O.S. zu schicken.
  - (d) Jede Mitgliedergesellschaft soll eine Stimme bei der Vollversammlung haben, die ihnen von den gewählten Vertretern übertragen wird.
  - (e) Die Mitgliedschaft endet durch schriftliche Mitteilung der Gesellschaft, oder wenn die Mitgliedergesellschaft ihren Beitrag für ein Jahr nicht begleicht. Die Vollversammlung kann die Mitgliedschaft mit einer Zweidrittelmehrheitswahl widerrufen.
4. Exekutive:
  - (a) Sie soll aus einem Präsidenten, einem Vizepräsidenten, einem Secretary/Treasurer und einem Schriftleiter bestehen.
  - (b) Sie soll normalerweise von der gleichen Gesellschaft kommen.
  - (c) Sie entscheidet in allen Dingen, die nicht durch diese Regulationen abgedeckt sind, oder in nachträglichen Instruktionen.
  - (d) Sie kann Briefwahl durch die Mitglieder veranlassen, wenn eilige und wichtige Fragen zu entscheiden sind.
  - (e) Die Amtsdauer ist von einer Vollversammlung zur nächsten.

#### 5. Banking:

The organization may establish accounts in its name only and shall have any two of the following as signatories: President, Vice-President, Secretary/Treasurer. All accounts must be audited prior to each General Assembly and a report included in the Secretary's report to that meeting.

#### 6. Election Committee:

- (a) Should consist of a representative from each of three member societies.
- (b) Suggest at least two member societies from which the next Executive may be nominated for election.
- (c) No more than one society nominated for the Executive may come from a society currently a member of the election committee.
- (d) Member societies of the current election committee may not be re-elected to the next succeeding election committee.
- (e) An Auditor shall be nominated from a member society different than the Executive.
- (f) The Election committee for the succeeding three year term shall be nominated by the current election committee. The election committee for the 1987 Vancouver General Assembly shall consist of the current executive as elected in Oxford in 1984 to facilitate nominations. Voting shall be by written secret ballot.
- (g) Shall notify the nominated societies, advising them to select a slate of officers to stand for election at the next General Assembly.

#### 7. General Assembly:

- (a) Should be arranged every three years, normally in connection with the International Association of Forensic Sciences Triennial Congress.
- (b) A notice of meeting and call for agenda items should be sent to member societies six months before the General Assembly, and an agenda sent three months before that meeting.
- (c) Shall consist of one delegate member from each member society who shall have one vote. The member society must, prior to the General Assembly, have notified the Secretary, in writing as to who will be its delegate. That delegate must be a regular member of that member society. Individual members from each member society may also attend the General Assembly and comment on items under discussion, but only delegates representing member societies may vote.



5. Bankverbindung: Die Organisation kann Bankverbindungen nur in ihrem Namen einrichten und muß zwei Unterschriften der Bevollmächtigten tragen (Präsident, Vizepräsident und Secretary-Treasurer). Alle Konten müssen zu jeder Vollversammlung veröffentlicht werden und ein Bericht des Secretary muß zu diesem Meeting vorgetragen werden.
6. Wahlkomitee:
- (a) Ein Repräsentant von jeweils drei Mitgliedsorganisationen bildet das Wahlkomitee.
  - (b) Vorgeschlagen sollen zumindest zwei Mitgliedsorganisationen, von denen die nächste Exekutive zur Wahl vorgeschlagen wird.
  - (c) Nicht mehr als eine Gesellschaft, die zur Exekutive vorgeschlagen wird, soll von einer Gesellschaft gestellt werden, die gegenwärtig ein Mitglied im Wahlkomitee hat.
  - (d) Mitgliedergesellschaften des gegenwärtigen Wahlkomitees sollen nicht wiedergewählt werden für das folgende Wahlkomitee.
  - (e) Der Buchprüfer soll von einer anderen Mitgliedergesellschaft benannt werden als von der Exekutive.
  - (f) Das Wahlkomitee für die folgenden drei Jahre soll vom gegenwärtigen Wahlkomitee gewählt werden.  
Das Wahlkomitee für die Vollversammlung 1987 VANCOUVER soll aus dem gegenwärtigen Vorstand bestehen, der 1984 in OXFORD gewählt wurde um Nominierungen vorzunehmen.  
Die Wahl erfolgt schriftlich durch geheime Stimmzettel.
  - (g) Soll die nominierten Gesellschaften informieren, daß sie aufgefordert sind, eine Liste der Offiziere auszusuchen, die zur Wahl stehen bei der nächsten Vollversammlung.
7. Die Vollversammlung:
- (a) Sie soll alle drei Jahre stattfinden, gewöhnlich in Verbindung mit dem alle drei Jahre stattfindenden Kongreß der INTERNATIONALEN ASSOCIATION OF FORENSIC SCIENCES.
  - (b) Ein Hinweis (Notiz) auf das Meeting und der Ruf nach der Agenda soll den Mitgliedsorganisationen sechs Monate vor der Vollversammlung, und eine Tagesordnung drei Monate vor dem Meeting, zugesandt werden.

- (d) Receive and table for discussion and acceptance, reports from the President, Secretary/Treasurer and Editor.
- (e) Elects the Executive and Auditor for the next three year period. The election of these officers shall be by written secret ballot.
- (f) Elects an Election Committee consisting of three representatives, each from a different society. The Election Committee should six months before the next General Assembly recommend at least two member societies from which the new Executive may be nominated for election at the next General Assembly.
- (g) Determines the main elements of the policy for the next three year period.
- (h) Determines the yearly fees for member societies, which shall be an equal amount for each member society.
- (i) Discuss and determine upon business suggested for a member society preferably before the call for the General Assembly or suggested at that General Assembly.

#### 8. Changes to the Regulations and Supplementary Instructions:

- (a) These regulations shall only be changed with a 2/3 majority vote of delegates at a General Assembly provided that the motion relating to the suggested change is included in the agenda of the meeting circulated to the member societies three months prior to that General Assembly.
- (b) The General Assembly may decide upon instructions supplementary to the regulations. These may be added to, revised, or deleted by a simple majority of votes by delegates at the General Assembly. Proposals may be introduced at the General Assembly.

#### 9. Dissolution:

- (a) I.O.F.O.S. may be dissolved with a 3/4 majority vote of those delegates present at the General Assembly, provided that the recommendation for such dissolution is placed on the agenda of the meeting circulated to member societies three months prior to the meeting.
- (b) Any surplus funds of money shall be equally divided between the member societies.

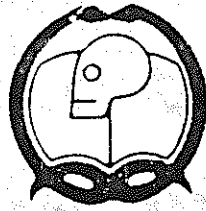
- (c) Sie soll aus einem Delegierten von jeder Mitgliedsorganisation bestehen, die eine Stimme zur Wahl hat. Die Mitgliedgesellschaft muß, vor der Vollversammlung, das Sekretariat schriftlich davon in Kenntnis setzen, wen sie delegieren wird. Dieser Delegierte muß ein ordentliches Mitglied dieser Mitgliedgesellschaft sein. Individuelle Mitglieder einer jeden Mitgliedgesellschaft können ebenfalls die Vollversammlung besuchen und über Tagesordnungspunkte diskutieren, aber nur die Delegierten einer Mitgliedorganisation dürfen wählen.
  - (d) Sie empfängt und ordnet die REPORTS (Berichte) vom Präsidenten, Secretary-Treasurer und Schriftleiter für die Diskussion und Annahme.
  - (e) Sie wählt die Exekutive und den Buchprüfer für die nächste Dreijahresperiode. Die Wahl dieser Offiziere soll durch geheime Schriftwahl erfolgen.
  - (f) Sie wählt ein Wahlkomitee, das aus drei Repräsentanten von jeweils verschiedenen Gesellschaften besteht. Das Wahlkomitee soll sechs Monate vor der nächsten Vollversammlung zumindest zwei Mitgliedgesellschaften empfehlen, aus denen die neue Exekutive ernannt werden kann zur Wahl bei der nächsten Vollversammlung.
  - (g) Sie bestimmt die Hauptelemente für die Politik für die nächste Dreijahresperiode.
  - (h) Sie bestimmt den Jahresbeitrag für die Mitgliedgesellschaften, der für alle Mitgliedorganisationen gleich sein soll.
  - (i) Sie soll über den Vorschlag für eine Mitgliedschaft einer Gesellschaft besser vor dem CALL (der Ankündigung) der Vollversammlung entscheiden oder auf der Vollversammlung.
8. Änderungen der Vorschriften (REGULATIONS) und Ergänzende Anweisungen:
- (a) Diese REGULATIONS dürfen nur mit einer Zweidrittelmehrheitsentscheidung von Delegierten auf einer Vollversammlung geändert werden, vorausgesetzt, daß der Antrag für die vorgeschlagene Änderung in der Tagesordnung des Meeting enthalten ist und den Mitgliedgesellschaften drei Monate vor der Vollversammlung zugeführt wurde.

(b) Die Vollversammlung kann über ergänzende Anweisungen zu den Vorschriften entscheiden. Diese können hinzugefügt oder überarbeitet sowie zurückgewiesen werden durch einfache Mehrheit der Stimmen der Delegierten zur Vollversammlung. Vorschläge können zur Vollversammlung gemacht werden.

9. Auflösung:

(a) Die I.O.F.O.S. kann mit einer Dreiviertelmehrheit der Stimmen solcher Delegierter, die bei der Vollversammlung anwesend sind, aufgelöst werden, vorausgesetzt, daß die Empfehlung für eine solche Auflösung auf der Tagesordnung des Meetings steht und den Mitgliedsgesellschaften drei Monate vor dem Meeting zugegangen ist.

(b) Ein eventueller Geldüberschuß muß gleichmäßig zwischen den Mitgliedsgesellschaften aufgeteilt werden.



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