

## SUMMARY RECORD

### ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL OF THE INTERNATIONAL AMATEUR RADIO UNION

Meeting in Buenos Aires  
25-28 October 1986

1) The fifth meeting of the Administrative Council of the International Amateur Radio Union was convened at 3:08 P.M. local time Saturday, 25 October 1986 at the Hotel Lafayette, Buenos Aires, Argentina, with President Richard L. Baldwin, W1RU, in the Chair. Also present were the following members: Carl L. Smith, W0BJW, Vice President; David Sumner, K1ZZ, Secretary; Louis van de Nadort, PA0LOU, Chairman, and John Allaway, G3FKM, Secretary, IARU Region 1; Pedro Seidemann, YV5BPG, President, and Alberto Shaio, HK3DEU, Secretary, IARU Region 2; and David Rankin, 9V1RH, Chairman, and Masayoshi Fujioka, JMIUXU, Secretary, IARU Region 3.

2) The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting, noting that all had spent several days together while attending the IARU Region 2 Conference which immediately preceded this meeting and that all had attended previous meetings of the Administrative Council.

3) The proposed agenda which had been circulated prior to the meeting was discussed and amended to read as follows:

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#### AGENDA

##### IARU ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL, BUENOS AIRES

25-28 OCTOBER 1986

1. Opening of meeting
2. Introductions
3. Consideration of the Agenda
4. Reports of the Officers
  - 4.1) President Baldwin
    - 4.1.1) Submissions from IARU for special ITU Telecommunication Journal issue
  - 4.2) Vice President Smith
  - 4.3) Secretary Sumner

5. Reports of the Regional Representatives
  - 5.1) Region 2
  - 5.2) Region 3
  - 5.3) Region 1
6. Consideration of the Report of the International Coordinator, IARU Monitoring System
7. Administrative Matters
  - 7.1) Review of goals and related expenditures for 1986, compared to budget
  - 7.2) Review of 1987 goals and budget request
    - 7.2.1) IARU Conference attendance
      - 7.2.1.1) HFBC Conference, Geneva, January - March 1987
      - 7.2.1.2) Mobile Conference, Geneva, September - October 1987
      - 7.2.1.3) CCIR Special Meeting, June - July 1987
    - 7.2.2) TELECOM-87 support, including preparation of booklet
    - 7.2.3) Amateur Radio Administration training courses
  - 7.3) Financing of receptions at ITU, Geneva
  - 7.4) Procedure for making decisions between Administrative Council meetings
  - 7.5) Travel accident insurance for Administrative Council members
  - 7.6) Schedule for issuance of summary record of this meeting
  - 7.7) Other administrative matters
8. Review of resolutions previously adopted by Administrative Council, and actions arising therefrom
  - 8.1) Preparations for future WARC's (Resolution 85-4)
    - 8.1.1) Non-allocation matters

- 8.1.2) Review of policy concerning 10-MHz band expansion
- 8.1.3) Program of action -- visits to administrations
- 8.1.4) Other preparations
- 8.2) IARU Constitution and Bylaws (Resolution 84-3)
- 8.3) Report of the International Secretariat concerning packet radio regulations (Resolution 85-7)
- 8.4) Consideration of modification to Resolution 85-1 (28-MHz beacon plan)
- 8.5) Other resolutions
- 9. Matters arising from the Region 2 Conference, Buenos Aires
- 10. Organizational matters
  - 10.1) Status of International Beacon Project coordination
  - 10.2) IARU participation in CCIR
  - 10.3) International Study Group for Amateur Radio Legislation
  - 10.4) Constitutional interpretations
  - 10.5) Non-performing societies
- 11. Operating matters
  - 11.1) IARU HF Championship
  - 11.2) Locator System adoption
  - 11.3) Limitations on special and unusual callsign prefixes
  - 11.4) Phonetic alphabet
- 12. Standards for Amateur Radio
  - 12.1) Standard of entry to Amateur Radio
  - 12.2) Emphasis on spirit and intentions of ITU Radio Regulations
  - 12.3) Statement on unqualified operators and unlicensed stations

13. Amateur Satellites

- 13.1) Review of present status, and planning
- 13.2) Funding and coordination between groups
- 13.3) Frequency allocations
- 13.4) Utilization

14. Pending items from previous meetings

15. Other business

16. Date and place of next AC meeting

17. Adjournment

4.1) As his report to the Council, Mr. Baldwin noted that his circular letters to the Council members since the previous meeting constituted a full report of his activities. To supplement these letters, he reported, first, that 20 students from 17 countries were registered to attend the course in Amateur Radio Administration that he was scheduled to teach in Tokyo next month; and second, that he would be unable to travel for approximately a two-month period beginning in late November. Vice President Smith has been asked to fulfill any travel requirements during this period. In response to a question, Mr. Baldwin stated that the Tokyo course was sponsored jointly by the ITU, JARL, and the Japanese administration; whereupon, the Administrative Council expressed its appreciation to all parties, and particularly to JARL and ITU Secretary-General Butler, for their considerable support. In response to other questions concerning the course in Amateur Radio Administration, Mr. Baldwin noted that the course taught in Nairobi during September appears to have been an unqualified success; that the ITU might be receptive to requests from administrations seeking to host similar courses, provided the requests were submitted at least six months in advance; and that there was a need to document the course materials in some detail to ensure uniform quality of instruction at future courses. Mr. Baldwin reported on his attendance at the ARDF Championships in Sarajevo, Yugoslavia, in September, noting participation by 150 contestants from 17 countries in a well-organized event.

4.1.1) Mr. Baldwin noted that he had heard from several members of the Administrative Council concerning the special Amateur Radio issue of ITU Telecommunication Journal that he has been invited to assemble for publication late next year, and felt he had received sufficient input to proceed to solicit authors. Mr. Rankin noted that it was essential that any authors solicited for this project be in good standing with their own IARU societies. Several additional suggestions for topics and authors were offered.

4.2) As his report, Vice President Smith stated that he had engaged in no travel on behalf of IARU since the previous meeting of the Administrative Council; however, he has offered his input to President Baldwin on a number of subjects that have arisen in the interim.

4.3) Mr. Sumner introduced circular letter AC/DS/86-32 as his written report, and invited questions. In response to questions, he stated that in recent months he has had adequate time to address IARU affairs, but that the recent passing of ARRL Controller Michael R. Zeigler would complicate matters for a time immediately following this meeting; and that the expenses of the International Secretariat for the year 1986, excluding salaries and benefits, would be approximately \$40,000. During the course of this item, the Administrative Council heard presentations from the presidents of four member-societies responding to invitations extended to the society presidents attending the Region 2 Conference. They were Juan Jose Bartolomeo, YV5HYX, President of the Radio Club Venezolano; Larry E. Price, W4RA, President of the American Radio Relay League; Thomas B. J. Atkins, VE3CDM, President of the Canadian Radio Relay League; and Luis Caamano, HI8LC, President of the Radio Club Dominicano.

5.1) On behalf of IARU Region 2, Messrs. Seidemann and Shaio reported that the status of IARU and of the Administrative Council in Region 2 are generally good. The Conference just concluded was a success, and the return of all incumbent members of the Executive Committee to office could be regarded as a vote of confidence from the member-societies in the Region. There were 89 delegates accredited to the Conference, not including spouses, and most participated actively in the work of the Conference. The use of simultaneous translation and of professional document translation greatly assisted the smooth functioning of the meeting. The presence of all members of the Administrative Council added to the seriousness and solemnity of the occasion, and was deeply appreciated by Region 2. The joint meeting of the Region 2 Executive Committee and the ARRL Board of Directors in Hartford in July 1985, which was also attended by the two Administrative Council members from Region 1, continues to appear to have been an important and worthwhile event.

5.2) On behalf of Region 3, Mr. Rankin reported that the Region 3 Directors had met in Tokyo in August and were scheduled to meet again 13-15 June 1987 in Kuala Lumpur. An incident concerning harmful interference to the Amateur Service from taxicabs in Hong Kong in the 28-MHz band has shown that emotional reactions to such situations from outside the affected country were inappropriate and potentially counterproductive. Region 3 had not joined the recent correspondence concerning the misunderstanding between Region 1 and ARRL because of time lags in the mail, but had considered the matter in Tokyo and had issued two short documents. Some doubt exists within the region as to the cost-effectiveness of the Administrative Council, a concern to which the Council should address itself at this meeting, particularly with respect to priorities. Mr. Fujioka noted that only three member-societies in Region 3 were in arrears on their dues payments, but that the response to circular letters sent to member-societies was not all that could be desired -- a problem common to all

three regions. Mr. Shaio noted that in cases of harmful interference, complaints of interference from outside a region could be put to good use and hoped that any opportunities for such cooperation would be fully utilized. With respect to communications, discussion revealed that FAX capability is more widespread than had been believed. Mr. Sumner agreed to investigate the possibility of a dedicated telephone line for the FAX machine at the headquarters.

5.3) On behalf of Region 1, and to supplement the information contained in the minutes of the Region 1 Executive Committee meetings and Region 1 News, Messrs. van de Nadort and Allaway called attention to continuing requests from Region 1 for input on the question of electromagnetic compatibility. The Administrative Council has been criticized within Region 1 for some of its actions, and the Region 1 representatives are under instructions from the Executive Committee to not agree to anything at this meeting that might be regarded as first requiring consultation with the Region 1 Executive Committee. Plans for the Region 1 Conference to be held in the Netherlands next April were proceeding.

6) Three documents from IARU Monitoring System Coordinator Bob Knowles, ZL1BAD, were considered: his report, transmitted with circular letter AC/DS/86-28; a draft Monitoring System Manual, sent by him directly to Administrative Council members on October 3; and recommendations submitted to the Administrative Council earlier this year and circulated with circular letter AC/DS/86-10. With regard to the report, it was noted that a correction had been received concerning input provided by ARRL to the Region 2 Coordinator. With regard to the draft Monitoring System Manual, it was agreed that Mr. Baldwin would write to Mr. Knowles congratulating him on his work and advising him that the manual would be published as planned with a covering document from the Administrative Council designed to encourage grassroots interest in the IARUMS, with Mr. Knowles being given an opportunity to review the covering document (to be prepared by Mr. Baldwin) in draft form. With regard to the recommendations transmitted with AC/DS/86-10, it was felt that it would be premature to take action on them at this time.

The Administrative Council adjourned for the evening at 6:29 P.M., reconvening with all members present at 9:15 A.M. the following day (Sunday, 26 October).

On the subject of the IARU Monitoring System, it was noted that the Region 2 Conference in Buenos Aires had adopted a resolution requesting that the Administrative Council consider the feasibility of establishing a small number of professionally equipped monitoring stations around the world. It was agreed that the Secretary would write to Mr. Knowles, seeking his input by 31 December 1986, before the Administrative Council adopts a position in the matter.

7.1) With regard to 1986 expenditures, the Secretary's report estimating expenses as being well below budget was noted.

7.2) The 1987 budget for financial support by the International Secretariat was reviewed. The budget was developed by Mr. Baldwin through correspondence with members of the Administrative Council and submitted to the ARRL President on October 9 in accordance with the budget schedule prepared by the International Secretariat. As a result of this review, several deletions and additions were made. Mr. Baldwin will send a revised letter to the ARRL President prior to November 21, the scheduled date for review of the ARRL budget by its Administration and Finance Committee. The statement of goals and objectives and needed resources for 1987 will be available for publication after budget approval, in accordance with the procedure adopted at the 1985 meeting of the Administrative Council.

No provision has been made in the 1987 budget for attendance at the Administrative Council by the IARUMS International Coordinator. It was agreed that the matter would be reconsidered in connection with the 1988 Region 3 Conference.

7.2.1) The 1987 budget provides for attendance at the following ITU Conferences:

7.2.1.1) The HFBC WARC scheduled for Geneva February-March. It was agreed that Vice President Smith would attend the first part of this conference and arrange an IARU reception, and that Region 1 would cover the remainder of the Conference, with an experienced member of the Region 1 Executive Committee always to be present during the latter period. Region 3 does not plan to attend, although JARL President Hara and other amateurs will be a part of the Japanese delegation. Region 2 requested that it be sent a list of delegates as quickly as possible and that it be advised immediately of any lapse in the defense of amateur interests by Region 2 delegations so that remedial action can be taken.

7.2.1.2) The Mobile WARC scheduled for Geneva September-October. It was agreed that IARU would host a reception during this conference but that full-time coverage of the conference probably was unnecessary.

The Council was in recess from 10:36 to 10:59 A.M.

7.2.1.3) With regard to the CCIR Special Meeting preparatory to the Mobile WARC, scheduled for 30 June - 11 July in Geneva, after extensive discussion the general policy of participating appropriately in CCIR proceedings was affirmed; however, the determination with regard to the Special Meeting was that it was unnecessary for IARU to attend, since it was not a part of the regular cycle of CCIR Study Group 8 meetings and no matters directly affecting the Amateur Service are under consideration.

7.2.2) At its 1985 meeting, the Administrative Council had agreed in principle to the funding of an IARU booth at TELECOM-87 to a maximum cost of

30,000 Swiss francs, to be divided into six shares as follows: International Secretariat, two shares; Region 1, two shares; Regions 2 and 3, one share each. The stand is to be under the management of Jaap den Herder, F6FYI/PAØYJ, with Region 1 auditing expenses and providing working capital. It was further agreed that in the Calendar to be issued in December, member-societies would be asked to supply such material and assistance to Mr. den Herder as he may request; that member-societies would be invited to submit entries in the "Golden Antenna 87" film competition via IARU, provided they pay the entry fee and other costs; that in conjunction with Mr. den Herder, the Administrative Council would prepare a fact sheet on amateur radio for distribution at TELECOM-87; and that the International Secretariat would print invitations to attend the IARU stand and send them to member-societies for forwarding to their national administrations. The status of informational booklets prepared by Regions 1 and 2 was reviewed. The existing Region 1 booklet is to be revised; Region 1 requested input, particularly photographs. The Region 2 booklet is still in preparation. It was noted that ARRL, JARL, and RSGB have expressed interest in participating in TELECOM-87.

7.2.3) The following courses in Amateur Radio Administration sponsored under ITU or USTTI auspices are planned for 1987:

- Newington, week of 4 May
- Botswana, dates to be determined
- Venezuela (tentative), with the Administrative Council to be advised and additional funding to be requested from the International Secretariat if an invitation to conduct the course is received
- Fiji (tentative), with assistance provided by ZL2AMJ and/or JA1KAB.

The Administrative Council expressed great pleasure at the level of acceptance of the course by the students and sponsors.

7.3) After extensive discussion, and in recognition of the proven value of receptions hosted by IARU at international telecommunications conferences, it was agreed that in principle the cost of hosting such receptions shall be shared equally between the International Secretariat and the regional organization within whose area the conference is held. In the case of a general WARC, in principle the cost of receptions shall be shared by all regions and the International Secretariat in accordance with a formula to be determined.

7.4) The following procedure for making decisions between meetings of the Administrative Council was adopted:

If in his opinion a matter requires a decision by the Administrative Council between scheduled meetings, the President shall instruct the Secretary to circulate a letter,



with an explanation of the matter and a specific proposed action, along with a vote sheet seeking affirmation by each Administrative Council member. Administrative Council members shall respond within 15 days of receiving the letter, preferably by electronic means. Affirmation by a majority of Administrative Council members, including at least one representative of each region, is required for adoption. After 30 days, in the absence of adequate response, the Secretary shall satisfy himself by telephone, telex, or other means that the circular letter was received by non-respondents. Should two or more members of the Administrative Council object to consideration of the matter by mail, action shall be deferred.

7.5) The Administrative Council accepted with thanks the offer of the International Secretariat to provide travel accident insurance similar to the coverage provided to ARRL officials.

7.6) In view of the Secretary's efforts to provide a copy of draft Minutes to Administrative Council members prior to their departure from Buenos Aires, it was agreed that members would communicate apparent errors and omissions to the Secretary as quickly as possible and that the summary record of the meeting would be released to member-societies by the first week of December.

7.7) Mr. Baldwin observed that the President and Secretary would attempt to circulate draft agendas for future meetings farther in advance of the meetings. It was agreed that appointees of the Administrative Council should be given written letters of appointment and guidelines to govern their performance.

8) Resolutions previously adopted by the Administrative Council were reviewed with the following results:

8.1) Preparations for future WARC's (Resolution 85-4). It was agreed that the President would write to the member-societies, outlining their responsibilities with regard to future allocations conferences, especially what they should do and not do in contacting their administrations. The letter would be customized to reflect regional differences.

8.1.1) It was noted that preparations for a possible future WARC must include consideration of present regulations, resolutions, and recommendations that affect the Amateur and Amateur-Satellite Services.

8.1.2) The Administrative Council considered the recommendation from Region 3 that administrations be requested to authorize amateur operation at 10.15-10.2 MHz and determined that it could not endorse such a recommendation since it was inconsistent with longstanding IARU policy concerning out-of-band operation in the amateur bands by other services.

8.1.3) It was noted that present efforts to teach courses in Amateur Radio Administration under ITU and USTTI auspices complied with the

spirit of the Region 3 position concerning visits to administrations, and were very cost-effective.

8.1.4) Region 3 requested that the Administrative Council prepare a document detailing for member-societies the objectives being pursued, and the action they should take in support. It was agreed that at this time, the letter to be sent by the President adequately addresses the point. Another request from Region 3 was that records be maintained to indicate the progress of preparations; it was agreed that this is the responsibility of the regional organizations. It was further noted that WARC-79 was thoroughly documented, and that perhaps the President should reissue the paper documenting WARC-79 preparations that was circulated after the Conference. Mr. Fujioka noted that member-societies are not generally aware of the significance of ITU conferences, and that efforts should be made to explain the significance of each conference to radio amateurs. It was noted with satisfaction that the budget for Region 2 adopted at its recent conference makes provision for expenses related to possible WARC preparations for the next three years, in accordance with "resolves 6" of Resolution 85-4.

8.2) Possible improvements to the IARU Constitution and Bylaws (Resolution 84-3). It was noted that the recent Region 2 Conference had supported the existing structure of the IARU Constitution, and had entrusted to its Executive Committee the determination of what minor changes might be desirable. The Region 3 Conference last year had considered submissions by RSGB, WIA, and NZART, and had adopted a paper which had been sent to the International Secretariat for circulation to the regions in accordance with "resolves 2" of the resolution. Region 1 is prepared to take up the matter at its conference next year.

8.3) The Secretary reported that because of small response from member-societies to the request for input on packet radio regulations, and recent changes in the rules governing packet radio operation in the United States, it had not been possible to complete meaningful work on the report called for in Resolution 85-7 in time for this meeting. Only three member-societies responded to the request contained in Calendar No. 135: those of Austria, Switzerland, and Italy. A discussion of the situation regarding HF packet radio operation ensued, after which the President designated Messrs. Sumner and Shaio to draft an appropriate resolution for consideration on the following day.

8.4) A proposal for a modification to Resolution 85-1 was considered. After discussion, the following modifications were agreed to:

1. "Resolves 1" is amended to read as follows: "1. The segment 28.190 to 28.200 MHz will be assigned as time-sharing frequencies for the International Beacon Project, effective immediately."

2. "Resolves 8" is numbered "9."

3. A new "Resolves 8" is inserted as follows: "8. The segment 28.200-28.225 MHz will be reserved for use by continuous-duty beacons, to be approved by the IARU International Beacon Project Coordinator on a case-by-case basis after a satisfactory showing of special need." It was noted that "special need" can include economic considerations in the case of beacons located in developing countries. The modified resolution was designated "Resolution 86-1," which reads as follows and supersedes Resolution 85-1.

Resolution 86-1

concerning 28-MHz Beacons

Adopted in Buenos Aires, October 1986

The IARU Administrative Council,

recognizing the popularity of the International Beacon Project on 28 MHz, as well as the time and energy that has been dedicated to the endeavor,

recognizing that it is desirable to improve, enhance and technically update the 28-MHz beacon system, especially in view of the success of the 14.1-MHz program sponsored by the Northern California DX Foundation,

recognizing that the IARU band plans of frequencies allocated to the Amateur Service should exemplify the most efficient use of the frequency spectrum,

resolves that the 28-MHz beacon system be revised according to the following guidelines:

1. The segment 28.190 to 28.200 MHz will be assigned as time-sharing frequencies for the International Beacon Project, effective immediately.
2. A worldwide network similar to the 14.1-MHz program of the NCDXF will operate on 28.200 MHz.
3. Regional networks, each encompassing approximately a continent, should be established on integral kilohertz between 28.190 and 28.199 MHz.
4. IARU member-societies are encouraged to sponsor the operation of beacons in this network.
5. Existing beacons operated by an IARU society will have preference in this new scheme.

6. The IARU International Beacon Project Coordinator will submit to the International Secretariat the technical parameters for the beacons as well as the specifications for the regional networks, information that will be sent to all member-societies. He will be responsible for frequency management, for time allocations and will strive for global coverage.
7. The Administrative Council will insure that this new scheme of 28-MHz beacons as well as any other beacon systems in other bands will be adequately publicized and that the data collected from the operation of the beacons will be distributed regularly to all member-societies.
8. The segment 28.200-28.225 MHz will be reserved for use by continuous-duty beacons, to be approved by the IARU International Beacon Project Coordinator on a case-by-case basis after a satisfactory showing of special need.
9. Beacons operating outside of the new system will cease to be protected from interference by IARU band plans on 1 January 1990.

8.5) Other resolutions previously adopted by the Administrative Council were reviewed as follows:

Resolutions 84-4 and 84-5. These subjects are scheduled for consideration by Region 1 at next year's conference.

Resolutions 85-2, 85-3, 85-6, 85-8, and 85-9. These are continuing resolutions. A typographical error was noted in Resolution 85-3; the reference should be to Resolution 84-2, not 84-1.

Resolution 85-5: Review is scheduled for after 1 January 1987.

The Council adjourned for the evening at 6:00 P.M., reconvening the following day (Monday, 27 October) at 9:19 A.M. with all members present.

Returning to agenda item 8.3, Messrs. Sumner and Shaio presented a draft resolution which was adopted after discussion:

Resolution 86-2

concerning packet radio operation

The IARU Administrative Council, Buenos Aires, October 1986,  
considering 1) the increasing interest in, and rapid development of,  
packet radio;

- 2) the promise that packet radio holds for the accurate and efficient transmission of data;
- 3) the desirability of continuing the development of packet radio; and
- 4) that the popular amateur bands are already fully utilized by amateur stations using other modes of emission;

noting that the International Secretariat has been requested by the Administrative Council to serve as international clearing-house for information concerning packet radio;

recognizing 1) that international and domestic regulations limit the handling of third-party traffic by amateur stations, and 2) the potential for harmful interference by unattended HF stations and the need for adequate technical and regulatory safeguards;

resolves 1) that member-societies and individual amateurs engaged in developmental work in packet radio are hereby congratulated for their contributions, and are urged to continue their efforts;

2) that member-societies are urged to encourage amateurs in their countries to confine routine HF packet operations to the segments of the bands designated for RTTY and similar modes;

3) that developmental work that takes place outside the RTTY subbands should be confined to one frequency per band, with the frequency to be designated by the International Secretariat for international communications after consultation with the regional organizations, and by the member-societies for domestic communications after due consideration of regional band plans, international and domestic regulations, and the desirability of minimizing interference to stations using other modes of emission;

4) that member-societies are urged to address, through their regional organizations, the need for specific provisions for packet radio operation in their band plans consistent with worldwide activity;

5) that the International Secretariat is requested to continue its work in response to Resolution 85-7, and if possible to render a report at least 30 days prior to the next meeting of the Administrative Council.

Mr. Sumner noted that since March, ARRL had been preparing a request to be filed with FCC for Special Temporary Authority for operation by a limited number of unattended HF packet radio stations for the purpose of promoting further development and assessing the interference potential of the mode. The approach

being followed is similar to that used for the development of slow-scan television in the late 1960's. Authority to operate on no more than one frequency per band is being sought. If the consultation called for in Resolution 86-2 can be completed quickly, the requested frequencies will be selected so as to be in alignment with those to be selected in accordance with the resolution.

It was agreed that consideration of agenda item 9 would be deferred until later in the day.

10.1) After discussion of the status of the International Beacon Project Coordinator, the Administrative Council reconfirmed that the International Beacon Project be continued under the leadership of Region 1, as in the past, and that the International Beacon Project Coordinator designated by Region 1 continue to serve on behalf of the Administrative Council as well; and that John Troster, W6ISQ, is named to assist Region 1 in implementing the revisions described in Resolution 86-1. The International Beacon Project Coordinator and Assistant are instructed that they are not to engage in communication with bodies outside the IARU on matters relating to the International Beacon Project until terms of reference for the International Beacon Project have been adopted by the Administrative Council. It was agreed that the Secretary would write to the individuals concerned to inform them of this action.

10.2) The Region 3 request that the Administrative Council encourage the continued participation of IARU in the work of the CCIR, and to urge member-societies not yet so involved to become participants in their national Study Group 8 activities and CCIR conference preparatory work, was noted. It was further noted that "resolves 6" of Resolution 85-4 addresses this subject, and that it had also been addressed earlier in this meeting.

10.3) The Administrative Council took note of the work being done by Region 3 with regard to collecting information on radio legislation, and commended the region for its leadership in this area.

10.4) Consideration of the subject of Constitutional interpretations was postponed, to be dealt with together with agenda item 9.

10.5) Agenda item 10.3 of the 1985 meeting was reviewed. The regional organization had fulfilled its responsibility in attempting to gather information, but information was still incomplete. It was determined that the matter should continue to be monitored closely by the regional organization.

A review of the performance of IARU member-societies by region identified non-performing societies in the following countries:

<u>Region 1</u>	<u>Region 2</u>	<u>Region 3</u>
Angola	Belize	Burma
Ghana	British Virgin Islands	India
Mozambique	Dominica	Western Samoa
Swaziland	Guyana	
Zaire		

In the case of the Region 2 societies, and of the Region 3 societies with the exception of India, the societies have not yet become members of the regional organization and will be subject to the review called for in Resolution 85-5 if their status does not change in the meantime.

11.1) The new format of the IARU HF Championship has proved to be very popular. A proposal to change the name to "IARU HF World Championship" was approved. The Council noted the actions taken by the Region 2 Conference in support of the event, and encouraged member-societies to:

- 1) promote the IARU HF World Championship;
- 2) make certain that the date (the second weekend of July) of the IARU HF World Championship does not conflict with the dates of other contests;
- 3) supply the International Secretariat with the callsign of its headquarters or national station, if the station will be active in the Championship; and
- 4) publicize the list of headquarters or national stations that are expected to participate, based on information supplied to and by the International Secretariat.

11.2) The Administrative Council noted with satisfaction that the Locator System has been adopted by all regions and is now therefore a worldwide system; and the Administrative Council encourages its use. The Council expressed its thanks to all those who were involved in the development, standardization, and popularization of the Locator System.

Mr. Rankin brought up the idea of the Administrative Council now encouraging the use of the Locator System on HF as well as VHF/UHF. However, it was pointed out that whereas there is a specific need for knowing fairly precisely the locations of stations working in VHF/UHF bands, this was not the case in HF working. Accordingly, the Administrative Council decided not to pursue the matter.

11.3) The Administrative Council took note of the efforts of the three regions to limit the use of special and unusual callsign prefixes.

11.4) After discussion, it was agreed that the Administrative Council encourages the use of the ITU phonetic alphabet for international emergency communications.

12.1) After discussion, it was agreed that the Administrative Council invites regional organizations and the International Secretariat to provide input on the question of what the minimum standards should be for the obtaining of an amateur license that would be recognized internationally for issuance of operating privileges.

12.2) It was agreed that the Administrative Council urges member-societies to emphasize to their members the importance of adhering to the spirit and intentions of the ITU Radio Regulations, and of handling only that traffic which does conform.

12.3) The Administrative Council requested that the President draft a policy statement on the subject of abuse of the amateur bands by improperly licensed stations, for its consideration by its next meeting.

The Council was in recess from 2:00 to 3:20 P.M.

13.1) Mr. Sumner reviewed the present status of amateur satellites, and known plans, for the information of the Council. The correspondence initiated by AMSAT earlier in the year concerning 144-MHz frequencies for the Phase 3C satellite appears to have resulted in the dropping of inquiries concerning the use of an additional portion of the band by amateur satellites.

13.2) The Administrative Council congratulated the Japan Amateur Radio League on the successful launching of Fuji-OSCAR 12, and thanked JARL for providing such copious information and for its interest in working with IARU in accomplishing international coordination of amateur satellite activities.

13.3) With regard to this item and item 13.4), the Administrative Council agreed that the IARU President should write to the IARU member-societies, noting Resolution 85-6 and the interest in and support of the Amateur-Satellite Service expressed at regional conferences, and offering the coordinating services of the Administrative Council with regard to international amateur satellite matters that may arise in their countries.

At this time, agenda item 9 was taken up.

9.1) 10-MHz operation. The Administrative Council noted the resolution adopted by Region 2 and further noted that in view of Resolution 84-1 it would be considered by the 1988 meeting of the Administrative Council. Mr. Rankin noted that the next opportunity for consideration of the Region 2 resolution in a Region 3 conference will be in 1988. The policy to be considered, but not yet adopted, by the Administrative Council reads as follows: "Resolved, that award credits shall not be awarded for operating activities conducted on the 10-MHz (30 meter) band, and IARU member-societies shall not sponsor awards or competitions on this band."

9.2) Mutual support by IARU entities. After extended discussion, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolution 86-3

concerning guarantee of the exclusive right  
of a member-society to represent the IARU  
to its government

Resolved, by the IARU Administrative Council, Buenos Aires, October 1986, that no member-society nor regional organization, nor the Administrative Council, shall have communication with the government, including but not limited to the telecommunications administration, of a country or territory that is represented in IARU which in any way detracts from or interferes with, the sole and exclusive right of an IARU member-society



to represent amateur radio in its country or territory. Should any doubt arise as to any such communication, the wishes of the IARU member-society in the country or territory concerned shall prevail, except if, in the opinion of the Administrative Council, the society is acting contrary to the interests of amateur radio or of the IARU, or no longer adequately represents the interests of radio amateurs throughout its country and/or separate territory.

The Council adjourned for the evening at 6:10 P.M., reconvening the following day (Tuesday, 28 October) at 9:07 A.M. with all members present.

On behalf of Region 2, Mr. Shaio thanked Regions 1 and 3 and the Administrative Council members for their support in resolving the previous resolution on the basis of consensus.

9.3) The Region 2 conference resolution concerning the dating of QSL cards was noted, and the Administrative Council requested that the resolution be circulated to the other regions for consideration.

9.4) The Administrative Council noted that all three regions have now adopted a uniform policy with respect to the construction of portable call signs, and it is now therefore a worldwide policy of IARU.

9.5) With regard to emergency communications, it was noted that Region 2 had adopted minor changes in the document submitted by Region 1. Region 3 had adopted the Region 1 procedure in principle at its Auckland conference. The Administrative Council noted the importance of having worldwide emergency communications procedures, and referred the Region 2 document to the regions for consideration.

9.6) It was noted that Region 2 had adopted frequencies to be an initial meeting place for amateurs in the event of an emergency. This matter is also referred to the other regions for their consideration.

9.7) The Administrative Council congratulated those member-societies and regional organizations that are already addressing the problem of electromagnetic compatibility, and adopted the following resolution:

Resolution 86-4

concerning electromagnetic compatibility

Adopted in Buenos Aires, October 1986

by the IARU Administrative Council

Whereas,

1) radio amateurs in many countries are experiencing serious problems arising from the RF susceptibility of non-radio electronic products,

2) the manufacturers of such products are reluctant to reduce the RF susceptibility of these products, and

3) without appropriate regulations, radio amateurs will be held responsible for the malfunction of these products, and (as has occurred in Canada) be subject to harassment, lawsuit and indictment before the law,

Resolved

that IARU member-societies be urged to press their communications authorities to assume responsibility for non-radio electronic products, require manufacturers to build RF susceptibility safeguards into their products, and make regulations that will require manufacturers to repair, without charge, any of their products that malfunction in an RF field.

9.8) Region 2 Conference resolutions concerning 220-225 and 902-928 MHz were noted.

9.9) It was noted that in adopting a budget for the next triennium, Region 2 had made provision for an additional assessment in the event of a future WARC, as well as a change in the dues structure to an assessment based on the number of licensed amateurs in a country instead of the number of members of the member-society.

9.10) The Administrative Council noted the progress being made within CITELE by Region 2, consistent in purpose with the work toward a common license being done in Region 1.

Returning to agenda item 8, it was agreed that if in the future, technical consultation is required on a matter coming before the Administrative Council, a procedure would be followed of drafting a proposed resolution for later adoption after appropriate consultation.

It was agreed that item 10.4) had been covered under item 9.

14) The following pending items from previous meetings were reviewed:

14.1) Minute 26, Paris meeting, concerning a register of significant publications of member-societies. An initial register based upon information submitted by member-societies has been prepared for distribution with the December Calendar.

14.2) Minute 32, item e), Paris meeting, concerning a contest calendar. A tentative calendar based on information gathered by Region 3 and supplemented by the International Secretariat is in preparation for distribution with the December Calendar.

14.3) Minute 8.6, 1985 meeting, concerning 50-MHz beacon information. A tentative list was circulated to the Administrative Council (and accordingly, to the regional organizations) on August 15. Region 3 has supplied updated information which has been incorporated in a new list dated October 16, which will be similarly circulated.

14.4) Minute 5.4, 1985 meeting, concerning IARU funding. Region 1 described its plan to address this matter at its 1987 conference.

14.5) The Secretary was asked to list pending items in future agendas for the convenience of members in considering them in advance.

14.6) It was agreed that Administrative Council minutes constitute notice of action items for the regional organizations, and no separate communication from the Secretary to the regional organizations is required.

15.1) The participation in the meeting by the presidents of four member-societies in Region 2, in response to the invitation of the IARU President, was noted and appreciated. It was further noted that the matters raised by them had been considered and dealt with appropriately during the course of the meeting.

15.2) It was noted that World QRP Day, 17 June has now been adopted by all three regions and is therefore a worldwide event. The President advised that he planned suitable publicity in the "International News" column in QST.

15.3) Mr. Allaway noted that Region 1 had just forwarded to the International Secretariat an application for membership from Liechtenstein.

15.4) Region 3 extended an invitation to all Administrative Council members to attend the meeting of its Directors in Kuala Lumpur next year, recognizing that the cost and time required for travel would make acceptance of the invitation difficult. Mr. Rankin also requested the understanding of the other regions who extend invitations to Region 3 representatives to attend their Executive Committee meetings. In general, Region 3 wished to accept but usually could not because of the expense involved and the need to allocate its resources to pressing matters within its own region.

16) Region 1 invited the Administrative Council to hold its next meeting immediately following the Region 1 Conference, in a nearby location. The Administrative Council accepted with pleasure, and established the schedule as follows: the meeting shall begin on Saturday afternoon, 18 April, and will be concluded by Monday evening, 20 April. With regard to the regular 1988 meeting, an invitation had been received from the Radio Society of Great Britain to hold the meeting in conjunction with its 75th anniversary celebrations that year. The Secretary was instructed to thank the RSGB for the invitation, but to advise that we must decline. It was noted that in general, it is desirable to schedule Administrative Council meetings immediately to follow regional Conferences, as in the case of the present meeting.

With regard to preparations for the next meeting, just 5½ months after the meeting in Buenos Aires, it was noted that the tight time schedule requires careful planning. The Secretary shall issue a basic agenda by 31 December 1986, with input from the regional representatives for a detailed agenda to be received by the Secretary by 20 February and the detailed agenda to be circulated by 2 March.

The Administrative Council expressed its deep appreciation to the Radio Club Argentino and to Region 2 for making our visit to Buenos Aires so pleasant and productive.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:36 A.M.  
Tuesday, 28 October.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David Sumner".

David Sumner, K1ZZ  
Secretary

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