

SERVICE CIVIL INTERNATIONAL  
European Secretariat

MINUTES of the 28th European Secretaries Meeting held at Marly-le-Roi , France  
October 31st and November 3rd, 1964

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PRESENT :            SCI Secretaries :

Monique Kayeux (Belgium)  
Bas Moreel (Netherlands)  
Frank Judd, Harry Zion (Great Britain)  
Etienne Reclus, Jean-Pierre Petit, Marguerite Gieure (France)  
Alfred Knaus (Germany)  
Verena Ritter, Lotti Baumann (Switzerland)  
Hermann Spirik (Austria)  
Rolf Siegenthaler (Algerian Delegation)  
Ralph Hegnauer (International Secretary)  
Rene Bovard (Assistant to the International Secretary)  
Janet Goodricke (European Secretary)  
Fay Nowacki (Assistant to the European Secretary)

ALSO PRESENT :    SCI :

Peter Heymens Visser (Netherlands)  
Chris Hollaender (International President)  
Pierre Rasquier (France)  
Micheline Six, Marc Garcet (Belgium)  
Mario Manto, Tino Cirelli (Italy)  
Oivind Andersen (Norway)  
Hiroatsu Sato (Japan)  
Ramesh Chander (India)

Representatives of kindred organisations :

Elizabeth Halasz (IAL)  
Penny Pobins (FWCC)  
Sigyn Erligh, James Cavanagh (AFSC)  
Jan Smith (UNA GB)  
Geoffrey Sampa (Les Volontaires au Travail)

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9. East-West programme for 1965

9.1 Recruitment of volunteers for camps in Eastern Europe

The following order of priority was agreed :

- (a) USSR, DDR, Poland, Yugoslavia - joint SCI direction for camps
- (b) Czechoslovakia, Hungary - SCI volunteers to be sent
- (c) Bulgaria, Rumania - no volunteers to be offered (see 9.2 below)

It was agreed that :

- the French branch would accept responsibility for the selection of volunteers for USSR, DDR, Poland and Yugoslavia and would arrange seminars for those volunteers going to the USSR, DDR and Poland. The meeting expressed its appreciation to Etienne Reclus and the French branch for accepting this responsibility.

- subject to giving priority to the finding of volunteers for USSR, DDR, Poland and Yugoslavia, all branches were encouraged to make individual arrangements for the exchange of volunteers with Czechoslovakia and Hungary. In particular, the German branch was encouraged to promote exchange of volunteers with Czechoslovakia and the British branch with Hungary.
- the British branch agreed to try to obtain the agreement of Michael Holman to assist with the seminars to be organised by the French branch. If this were not possible, the British branch would try to find some other suitable person willing to help.
- copies of letters sent by branches to Czechoslovakia should be sent to the German branch. Copies of letters sent by branches to Hungary should be sent to the British branch. Copies of all letters should be sent to the ES.

Branches were requested to inform their members about the proposed 1965 programme as soon as possible, preferably before Christmas.

The target figure for SCI volunteers to be recruited for service in USSR, DDR, Poland and Yugoslavia was agreed as 80, to be divided as follows :

- Britain and France : 15 male and 5 female each
- Holland, Belgium, Switzerland and Germany : 3 male and 2 female each
- Other branches : 12 male and 8 female between them

It was agreed that volunteers must be carefully selected, that they must have explained to them the aims and methods of SCI and be put under a moral obligation to adhere to the aims and methods of SCI. The French branch will prepare a paper describing conditions under which volunteers are accepted for service in East Europe for volunteers to sign before service.

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