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#### Coming events:

Development Working Group Friday, 22 March 1974 3:30 pm. Sedos Secretariat Health Working Group Thursday, 4 April 1974 3:30 pm. Sedos Secretariat

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#### SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT:

"Regional Structures in Latin America"

A meeting on the above topic will be held at the O.CARM Generalate Via G. Lanza 138, 25 March at 4 pm. Those who are interested should phone the Secretariat for further details.

Sincerely yours,

Fr. Leonzio Bano, fscj.

#### NEWS FROM AND FOR THE GENERALATES

1. During the last Assembly of Generals we distributed data on the project for a World Christian Handbook. This work has taken nearly 4 years and is now in its final phase. It has involved the collaboration of several hundred persons in all the continents and in different Churches and Christian religious movements throughout the world.

Contributions made by the Christian Churches (including the Ecumenical Council of Churches and the Congregation for the Evangelisation of Peoples) amounted to 29,275 dollars by the 31st of October 1973. The covering of the total budget requires an additional sum of 16,500 dollars. Churches which

total budget requires an additional sum of 16,500 dollars. Churches which up to now have not contributed are being contacted and an appeal is also being made to religious Institutes. Contributions of 250 dollars are being solicited to step up the publication of the Handbook, which will certainly become an indispensable missionary instrument.

From our experience in this field, we at the Secretariat strongly recommend this project. If you can, do participate! If 250 dollars is too much, I am sure the project leaders would appreciate what you can give.

Please address it to:

World Christian Handbook Vlamingenstraat, 116 B--3000 Louvain BELGIUM FERES Bank Acrount : Société Générale de Banque Louvain, N. 0044406--97

- 2. On Monday 25 March the General Assembly of the S.C. for the Evangelization of Peoples will meet at the Propaganda headquarters in Piazza di Spagna Rome. There will be over 60 members attending mostly newly elected, in luding three Superiors General members of Sedos: Fr. P. Arrupo SJ, Bro. C.H. ButtimerFSC and Bishop Gazza SX.

  The agenda:
  - a) The theological (Cardinal Lnox) and spiritual (Cardinal Dopfner) dimensions of missionary evangelization.
  - b) Islam c)China d)African tribes and nationalism e)Cooperation and the Pontifical works.
- 3. FERES (Federation International des Instituts de Re herche Socio-Religeuses) will hold a Summer School on INTRODUCTION TO THE SOCIOLOGY OF RELIGION—

  (An analysis of contemporary religious phenomena) from 19 August to 6 September 1974 (33 hours). For registration apply to: FERES, 116 Vlamingenstraat, B--3000 Leuven, Belgium.
- 4. **SIAMA** (Society for the Interests of Active Missionaries in Asia) P.O. Box 664 Leiden, sent us their 1974 news bulletin which also includes farilities for Africa. Available at Sedos for consultation.

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#### ASSEMBLY OF GENERALS

The 42nd Assembly of Superiors General associated in Sedos was held at 4:00 pm. WheFebruary 25, 1974 at the SJ Generalate, Borgo S. Spirito 5.

#### Present were:

| C.I.C.M.  | Fr. 1. Goossens               | R.S.C.M.    | Sr. M. Keenan        |
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| C.I.C.M.  | Fr. G. Linssen                | S.A.        | Sr. A. Gates         |
| C.M.      | Fr. J. Richardson             | S.C.M.M-M'. | Sr. G. Prové         |
| C.M.M.    | Fr. G. Lautenschlager         | S.C.M.M-M   | Sr. J. M. Webster    |
| C.S.S.P.  | Fr. J. Sanches                | S.C.M.M-T   | Sr. T. Barnett       |
| F.M.M.    | Sr. D. Alvares                | S.D.B.      | Fr. B. Tohill        |
| F.S.C.    | Bro. C.H. Buttimer            | S.D.S.      | Fr. C. Coyne         |
| F.S.C.J.  | Fr. T. Agostini               | S.F.B.      | Sr. B. Flanagan      |
| I.C.M.    | Sr. C. Rombouts               | S.H.C.J.    | Sr. A. Cornely       |
| ILM.C.    | Fr. M. Bianchi                | S.J.        | Fr. P. Arrupe        |
| I.M.C.    | Fr. F. Viotto                 | S.J.        | Fr. Ary R. Croellius |
| M.E.P.    | Fr. G. Cussac                 | S.M.        | Fr. P. Neubert       |
| M.H.M.    | Fr. J. Leimegger              | S.M.A.      | Fr. J. Hardy         |
| M.M.Frs.  | Fr. D.W. Robinson             | S.M.A.      | Fr. J. Power         |
| M.M.Srs.  | Sr. G. Simmons                | S.N.D.N.    | Sr. J. Burke         |
| M.S.C.    | Fr. F.J. Westhoff             | S.S.C.      | Fr. P. Conneally     |
| M.S.F.    | Fr. K.                        | S.S.P.S.    | Sr. E. Berning       |
| O. CARM   | Fr. S. Coughlan               | S.S.N.D.    | Sr. D. McGonagle     |
| O.M.I.    | Fr. F. Jette                  | S.S.N.D.    | Sr. M. Baldwin       |
| 0.S.U.    | Sr. M. J. Van Dun             | S.S.N.D.    | Sr. M. Schmidter     |
| 0.S.U.    | Sr. A. Shaughnessy            | S.V.D.      | Fr. J. Musinsky      |
| P.A.      | Fr. T. Van Asten              | S.V.D.      | Fr. C. Ruhling       |
| P.I.M.E.  | Fr. A. Lazzarotto             | S.X.        | Fr. L. Piacere       |
| R.S.C.J.  | Sr. M. Schellings             | O.F.M.Cap.  | Fr. A. Buhlmann      |
| R.S.C.M.  | Sr. M. Goncalves Observe      | r: Sr. L.   | Webb D.M.            |
| Apologies | were received from the Canone | sses of St. | Augustine.           |
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In the Chair: Fr. T. Van Asten PA.

From Sedos Secretariat: Fr. B. Tonna and Fr. L. Skelly SMA.

1. The minutes of the Assembly of December 17, 1973 were given unanimous approval.

#### Election of Officers:

Fr. Goossens CICM and Fr. Westhoff MSC were nominated as scrutineers and the elections proceeded according to the regulations laid down in the Satutes.

President: Bro. C.H. Buttimer FSC was elected on the first ballot with 24 out of 38 votes.

<u>Vice-President</u>: Sr. C. Rombouts ICM was elected on the first ballot with 20 votés out of 38.

Councillors: Sr. G. Prové SCNM-M elected on the second ballot with 27 out of 38 votes:

> Sr. J. Fanego FMM on the first ballot with 33 out of 38 votes; Fr. J Hardy SMA on the second ballot with 29 votes out of 38; Fr. Ary R. Croellius SJ on the second ballot with 24 votes out of 38.

- Following the coffee break Fr. B. Tonna, the Executive Secretary, gave a summary of his report on the Basel meeting of the Commission for World Mission and Evangelism of the World Council of Churches (already printed in Sedos 74/68-76).
  - Main Thrust: He felt that this consisted in the conviction that the Bangkol meeting had begun a new era in missionary activity and thinking. The problem was how to spread the Bangkok message to the constituent members of the WCC, local church boards and workers in the field. The CWME had a very comprehensive view of Salvation today as Dr. Castro's report indicated, and it intended to stress this at the Jakarta meeting of the WCC to be held in July-August 1975. The CWME was also convinced: of the importance of regionalization and decentralization, with local churches dealing directly with each other. There must also be closer links between the workers in the central organization and the workers. in the field--"link the Brass with the Grass"as one document put it. There was general agreement that there was no universal pattern for the contemporary mission. We must think big but be prepared to make headway step by step and expect surprises. Visits of CWME staff to areas where difficult situations existed were approved of. It was presumed that such visits would cross present WCC--RCC frontiers.

### B. Insights gaineds

- --- So far we are cooperating with the WCC at the official level. The need now is for better communications and sharing at grassroots level.
- --- The RCC must take the initiative at this level. Any approaches we make will not be rebuffed.
- --- Would it not be possible for Sedos members, who are deeply involved in visitation, to share their experiences with our WCC brethren? We all . . . . . . need to examine the missionary motivation of such visitation.
- --- The whole question of confessing Christ by "story telling" should be investigated on our side. Couldn't this approach be useful to us?
- --- We at Sedos must strengthen our relations with CWME at all levels. As far as the Commission is concerned we would be most welcome to become full or consultant members of it. Even individual institutes could become members. Ofcourse we must await the approval of the Secretariat for Christian Unity before taking such a step but there is nothing to prevent us from thinking along those lines.

Fr. Ary R. Croellius SJ was then invited to comment on Fr. Tonna's report. He remarked that one of the most impressive aspects of the Basel gathering for him had been the experience of living together in joyful Christian

communion with around 70 people from every corner of the world. Each day there was an hour of witnessing together and there was also a period of common worship. The Basel Mission Society and the Ecumenical Council of the city of Basel had been extremely hospitable in every way. Turning to the meeting itself Fr. Ary stressed the dynamic character of the CWME. The names of its various sections have real meaning and outline the programmes of activity involved. We must realize that the parent body, the WCC, is a movement and not just an institution -- though it is true that tensions exist withen it with some stressing the movement aspect while others are more attached to institutional forms. There was general agreement however at Basel that the Bangkok meeting had marked a new beginning in which there could be detected a more comprehensive notion of evangelism.. Again there were certain points of tension with some members concentrating on "pure" evangelism and others assenting the social consequences of the Gospel message. The Orthodox Churches needed to be given re-assurance that the eschatalogical dimension of salvation was not being over-looked. A further point worth noting, perhaps, was that up to the time of the Basel meeting neither the WCC nor CWME had been invited to the July meeting of the International Congress on World Evangelism to be held in Lausanne. Fr. Ary then went on to make some recommendations:-

- A. The Generalates should emphasize ecumerism at all levels—not only in Rome but also on the mission fields
- B. When we send Observer Consultants to meetings such as that held in Basel we should make it clear who exactly they represent as otherwise there can be great confusion.
- Ck We must invite representatives of WCC, CWME etc. to our own meetingss more frequently. They are always anxious to include us in their deliberations and we should make it clear that they are more than welcome at ours.

Fr. J. Power SMA in his reaction to the remarks of the previous speakers said that he felt the essentials of the CWME meeting had been very fully covered. covered. There were two themes which permeated all the discussions at Basel and he proposed to comment on them as they seemed so appropriate in a Sedos setting. These themes were (a) Mission and (b) Collaboration.

A. Mission: We call it evangelization and the WCC calls it evangelism but it's the same thing. Indeed the WCC had sent two documents on evangelism to Rome as part of the preparatory documentation for the Synod. Why are we all so interested in evangelism? The CWME saw this interest as arising from a theological problem. What, for example, should be the biblical content of our preaching? We speak of salvation but what is it? Is it necessary for all men? Do all men need to be saved in the same way and from the same things? We know we need to be liberated from something but what is this liberation to free us for? The members were also aware of the need to find the best and most attractive way of showing people the continuing urgent necessity of mission. They were convinced that missions will always be needed. For to evangelize is to pay a debt. People have a right to hear the message of salvation

from us.

would be present.

We have to admit that WCC mission theology is more biblical in its foundations than ours is. They even urged that those going on visitation should have a real biblical reason for doing so—else they might be engaged in what was termed "ecumenical tourism".

- B. Collaboration: The WCC groups are most anxious to collaborate with us at all levels. But first we need to have a better understanding of our respective structures. They have many subsidiaty bodies identified by initials and we can be at a loss to know what stands for which. But our system is equally puzzling to them e.g. USG, Commission of 18 etc. They couldn't quite grasp who represented what and seemed to find it strange that "the Vatican" as such had no representation! However collaboration and understanding at the level of practical missionary activity is more important than on the structural level. We must realize that the problems facing both the WCC and the RCC are similar in many cases. The possible solutions are also likely to be similar. Surely real cooperation between them and us should be possible, particularly in activities involving practical charity.

  In concluding Fr. Power wondered aloud why it was that our WCC brethrem are so much more articulate in expressing themselves than we are.
- 4. The Chairman thanked the speakers for the work they had done at Basel and for their very interesting reports. He wondered whether or not Catholic participation in the CWME was restricted to the five institutes agreed on by the USG. Bro. Buttimer said that there was a letter on this very subject from the Secretariat for Christian Unity. Perhaps it would be a good idea if it was published in the Sedos Bulletin. Fr. Goossens remarked that while it was clear that the CWME wanted greater Catholic participation, the SCU seemed content with the present USG representation. Sr. G. Simmons said that we should make it clear to the Commission that we appreciated its welcoming attitude. Fr. Croellius promised that the Observer Consultants would report fully to the USG and SCU and would also ensure that a suitable message of thanks was sent to the CWME. Perhaps Fr. Van Asten could raise the whole question of representation on such bodies at the Synod. Finally Fr. Linssen reminded the meeting of the Seminar to be held from 9-21 March at which the Catholic representatives to the Bangkok Conference

The meeting concluded with a prayer at 6:45 pm.
The next Assembly of Generals is scheduled for 3 June 1974.

L. Skelly SMA

### Executive Committee:

A meeting of the Executive Committee of Sedos was held on Friday, 1 March at 9:30 am. at the FSC Generalate.

Present were: Sr. C. Rombouts IDM, Sr. D. McGonagle SSND, Sr. G. Prové SCMM-M, Sr. J. Fanego FMM, Fr. J. Hardy SMA, Fr. Ary R. Croellius SJ.

Also present by invitation were: Fr. B. Tonna, Fr. L. Bano FSCJ, Fr. L. Skelly SMA:
Sr. Agnetta SSpS (all from the Secretariat) and Bro. W. Quinn FSC.

In the Chair: Bro. C. H. Buttimer FSC

#### Secretary: Fr. L. Skelly SMA

- 1. At the suggestion of the Chairman Bro. W. Quinn, an authority on group-building and public relations, was asked to help organize the proceedings so as to enable the meeting to examine throughy the Role of Sedos and the tasks which the new Executive should set itself.
- 2. It was decided to set down in no particular order the main concerns of Sedos, and the following list emerged: (1) publications (2) representation of the Generalates (3) Internal Contacts (4) Study of problems (reflection) (5) Information on mission problems (6) Sharing of information and resources. (7) Exploration of future possibilites (8) Documentation (9) Relations between Executive and Secretariat. (10) Feedback—to and from the Generalates and the workers on the missions (11) Relations with other organizations e.g. WCC, CMC. (12) Working groups. (13) Mission motivation. (14) Identity and image of Sedos. (15) Assembly of Generals.

  The meeting decided to break up into groups to consider these matters. Group A (Fr. Hardy, Fr. Tonna and Sr. Fanego) took Points 1,3,5,6 and 9; Group:B (Sr. Agnetta, Sr. McGonagle and Fr. Ary) took Points 4,7, 10 and 13; Group:C (Sr. Rombouts, Fr. Bano and Fr. Skelly) took Points 2, 11, 14, 15 and Group D (Bro. Buttimer and Sr. Prove) considered points 9 and 12.

  Bro. Quinn urged the groups to simply jot down whatever matters of concern struck them under the various headings without exercising cretical judgement.
- 3. In its report Group A concentrated on the types of information that were (or should be) available to us, the use to which such material should be put and the methods by which it should be disseminated. Great stress was laid on the fact that our information should be derived from the actual experiences of workers on the missions, which would provide us with objective, factual material. Critical studies of such information should then be undertaken. How to obtain this material? It could best be obtained by the Generals and their councillors on their visits to the field. Such information should then be shared with the other member Generalates. The Secretariat was the obvious channel through which such material could be collated, published and shared. As much information as possible should also be obtained from other mission-orientated organizations—and we should be prepared to share with them. This report provoked considerable discussion. It was pointed out that as regards information we should be particularly receptive to ideas coming from

the indigenous churches e.g. the recent statement by Cardinal Malula on Africanization of the Church. Another point made was that we should not strive to accumulate documentation For its own sake but should concentrate on obtaining information on situations of pressing concern. One member termed this "Ad-hocism" and urged this as the proper approach to the gathering and study of information, as long studies could so rapidly become out of date. For the Documentation Section Sr. Agnetta remarked that there was a dearth of information concerning actual situations and problems, and the women's congregations supplied less than their male counterparts. Group B reported under the headings of Reflection, Exploration, Feedback and Motivation. As regards Reflection a deeper study of the Christology and ecclesiology underlying mission needed to be undertaken coincident with an examination of the thinking of other Christian Churches and of non-Christian religions. Ecumerism in all its aspects must be a living thing for us and we should always be prepared to listen to others (and ofcourse to the Holy Spirit), for we were in a constantly changing situation. In our explorations we should be future-orientated, always ready to adapt to change and challenge. Only thus would we be prepared for the so-called "future shock". On no account should we close our ears to prophetic voices wherever and however they might speak to us. We should feel free, not bound by past or present. Feedback should come to us from the grassroots level and be shared among the Sedos membership. Generalates should be responsive to the needs of the men and women' in the field. Are we really using our time here in Rome in ways helpful to our field-workers? Do we have genuine "biblical" motivation in our mission visitation? As regards mission motivation we should share experiences and seck to discover the most effective approaches to the encouraging of missionary vocations. We must find out what actually attracts people to the life of a missionary and what are the real problems which worry and sometimes confuse our missionaries. Group C also stressed the importance of obtaining and using authentic grassroots information. The most Lundamental problem in their opinion, however, was the question of the identity of Sedos--what it was and what it aspired v Should it remain private or seek a closer relationship with the S.C. for the Evangelization of Peoples? As regards organization, how should the Assembly of Generals, the Executive Committee and the Secretariat be related to each other? Is the Executive a managenial body executing the policies laid down by the Assembly, or should it be a core group? The Assembly certainly gathers together people who should, but aften do not, know each other well, but is this its only function? Perhaps it would be a good thing if each meeting of the Assembly addressed itself to some definite topic of an ad hoc and urgent nature. This could bring about cross-fertilization of ideas and might make the Assemble more concerned with the Working Groups (which could continue the studies initiated by the Assembly). Group D maintained that there should be a closer relationship between the Executive Committee and the Secretariat, and the two bodies should meet together periodically.. They also suggested that the role of the Executive Secretary and his relationship to the Generalates, the Executive Committee, The Working Groups, the other members of the Secretariat and the outside organizations should be gone into. Who should set up the Working Groups and decide on their terms of reference? To whom should they report their conclusions?

- 4. Bro. Quinn then requested the meeting to look at the many questions raised from the point of view of critical judgement. During the animated discussion which followed it was emphasized time and again that we needed to re-examine the identity and purpose of Sedos. Only then could we decide on what we should be doing and how we should be going about it. There was criticism of the fact that Sedos was in danger of becoming too institutional in character and hence of losing spontaneity. There was also a tendency to lose contact with the feelings and needs of those working at the grassroots. Only if we were sure of what problems we wished to tackle could the documentation section of the Secretariat be of fullest use to us. On the more positive side several members pointed out how useful Sedos had been to their institutes in helping to break down any sense of isolation they might have had. Brothers', sisters' and priests' institutes could and did use Sedos to relate to each other and see each others' points of view.
- Bro. Quinn then asked the meeting to spend a while describing the sort of ideal Sedos they would like to see. Most envisaged Sedos as a grouping of friends who could be relied on to assist each other when help, encouragement of information were required. Sedos must be a very human thing in a world of ecclesiastical structures which tended to become less and less human. In Sedos one should feel free to dream aloud sure of a sympathetic hearing. Others (mostly on the Secretarial side) envisaged a situation in which the Secretariat would be at the receiving end of a continuous stream of ideas and information from the mission areas resulting from the visits to those areas by the Generals and their Councillors. Then we would really be in a position to discern the divine plan for the missionary activity of the Church. This would also ensure that the Secretariat was doing what the member institutes wanted it to be doing. One member of the Secretariat expressed a hope that in an ideal situation the Secretariat would know with reasonable exactness what the Assembly and Executive Committee expected of it.
- 6. It was decided to hold another meeting of the Committee at the same venue at 4:00 pm on 7 March. The subject matter of the meeting would be the identity and purpose of Sedos; hopefully an examination of these topics would enable the members to grasp not only what Sedos should be, but also what it could become in the future.

The meeting closed with a prayer at 12:45 pm.

. . L. Skelly SMA

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Executive Committee of Sedos was held on Thursday 7 March at 4:00 pm. at the FSC Generalate.

<u>Present were:</u> Sr. D. McGonagle SSND, Sr. C. Rombouts ICM, Sr. J. Fanego FMM, Fr. Ary R. Croellius SJ, Fr. J. Hardy SMA, Sr. G. ProveSSCMM-M.

Also present by invitation were: Fr. B. Tonna, Sr. Agnetta SSpS, Fr. L. Bano FSCJ, Fr. L. Skelly SMA (all from the Secretariat), and Bro. W. Quinn FSC.

Chairman: Br. C.H. Buttimer FSC.

Secretary: Fr. L. Skelly SMA.

- The minutes of the meeting of 1 March were approved but the Secretary was asked to indicate the membership of Group D i.e., Bro. Buttimer and Sr. Prové.
- 2. At the invitation of the Chairman Bro. Quinn agreed once again to help the Committee organize its thinking. Bro. Quinn remarked that the subject matter of the meeting—the identity and purpose of Sedos—had been debated at many previous meetings. Perhaps the best way for this particular gathering to proceed was to see how exactly we wanted it to wark under various headings i.e., a) Documentation b) Cooperation e) Information and d) Studies (which, as it turned out, was not treated of specifically).

#### A. Documentation:

It was readily agreed by all present that any attempt to collect and file all available documentation was neither practicable nor desirable. How selective should we then be, and what criteria should be used in our selection process? Fr. Tonna urged that the Six Crucial Questions concerning Mission Today should be the basis on which the Documentation Section would select articles from the papers, periodicals, newsbulletins etc., which poured into the Secretariat. To these latter he hoped to add a great deal of valuable material as he went around the Generalates and interviewed Generals and Councillors who had just returned from visitation. This general line of approach was approved by the meeting. It was pointed out, however, that the Generalates received a great deal of information from the field which they did not share either with each other or with the Documentation Section. This was largely due to the fact that such reports frequently contained personal and confidential information which, it was felt, whould be kept within "the family". After some discussion it was agreed that Generalates should make available as much material as possible, even including "family" material, from which all refernces to personalities had been carefully removed. Fr. Tonna described how, during his visits to Generalates, he sought out the problems which concerned them; frequently, indeed, these were urged on

him. He then reported these matters to the Executive Committee and it in

turn decided whether it could help and if so how. The result might be the setting up of an ad hoc working group of merely the dispatch of relevant documentation. It was as a result of such visits that the work on Formation Facilities and the Urban Mission had been initiated. The O. Carm. Project had arisen in the same way. From problem-snaring came information-sharing, and thus our store of truly relevant documentation grew. Finally, if member institutes wanted the help of the Secretariat in indexing material which they wished to retain in their Generalates that help was available.

#### B. Cooperation:

Bro. Quinn asked the Committee if they were satisfied with cooperation at the Generalate level. There was general agreement that if this meant merely among Generals then it was not sufficient; Councillors should also be involved. Fr. Croellius urged that each General Council should appoint a member who would have the specific task of involving the institute in Sedos activities and seeking the help of the Sedos group in solving such problems as the institute might encounter. Sr. Rombouts supported this suggestion, arguing that only in this way would a genuine sharing of experience and information be brought about.

With regard to the Assembly of Generals it was felt that hitherto it had not been used adequately as a means of cooperation. One reason for this was perhaps lack of proper preparation. Fr. Tonna suggested that if topics of general concern could be discerned then the Secretariat could call together a small group of interested and competent people to prepare material for the Assembly meeting. An example of such a group was the Budget and Staff Committee, Sr. Prové supported this suggestion and pointed out that such a group would strengthen personal contact between Sedos personnel. There was general agreement that such a method of preparing for the Assemblies seemed very promising. Sr. Danita's suggestion that one Assembly per year should be devoted to a topic of vital importance to missionary-sending organizations was also favourably received.

The question of relations between Sedos and Commission Six of the USG was also raided. Bro. Buttimer announced that this matter would be discussed at a meeting of the USG Executive on 21 March, and he felt that the Sedos Executive should be represented. It was agreed that Fr. Croellius should attend presuming, ofcoursed, an invitation was received from the USG.

#### C. Information:

Under this heading the meeting dealt with the question of who should speak for Sedos. Some urged that the Assembly of Generals should make major policy decisions and statements, which would then be implemented by the Executive Committee. In reply it was pointed out that the Assembly is too large and meete too infrequently to speak and act for Sedos. And frequently it was attended not by the Generals—who might be travelling—but by their representatives, some of whom are poorly informed on Sedos affairs. Fr. Ary suggested that these facts made it all the more necessary for the Executive Committee to be a core-group inspiring and animating Sedos. His suggestion received a generally favourable response. Fr. Hardy pointed out that the Committee should not however lose sight of its supervisory role in relation

to the operations of the Secretariat e.g. in the spheres of administration, organization, finances etc. Fr. Ary further suggested that the members of the Executive should get together for a day during which they could get to know each other better and so discover the matters that concerned them most deeply. Even if the members were represented by truly interested delegates—which might be necessary since several were planning to go on visitation—such a gathering would still be a rewarding experience. Fro. Quinn expressed the belief that the Executive Committee functioning as a core-group could enrigh not only Sedos but the missionary movement within the Church as a whole.

Br. Buttimer then circulated lists on which the members were requested to indicate when they would be out of Rome. It was hoped in this way to discover the most suitable date for the get-together suggested by Fr. Ary.

The meeting also considered the question as to whether and how the Executive Secretary should act as spokesman for Sedos. The Chairman pointed out that quite obviously he could speak on behalf of Sedos when specifically authorized to do so by the Executive e.g. at the recent CMWE meeting at Basel. Fr. Tonna said he preferred to emphasize his role as the "ear" rather than as the "voice" of Sedos. Sedos was a living thing present at all times in the 40 constituent Generalates (and also, nne hoped, in the members of the institutes concerned). It is up to the Executive Secretary to visit the Generalates regularly and discover what matters concern them most deeply. In this way he obtains the material for projects to propose to the Executive Committee. If the latter approves of such projects then the Secretariat can get on with the job of calling meetings, providing documentation etc. In this practical way the Generalates, the Executive Committee and the Secretariat are linked in action.

- 3. The chairman reported that Sr. Rombouts, Fr. Tonna and himself had had a very worthwhile meeting with Archbishop Gantin of the S.C. for the Evangelization of peoples. His Grace had welcomed them warmly and had expressed his keen interest, as a person and as a prelate, in the work of Sedos. He suggested that representatives of the Executive Committee should arrange to meet Archbishop Lourdusamy and the prefect of the Congregation, Cardinal Rossi. However festina lente should be our watchword.
- 4. The Chairman suggested during the absence of members from Rome the minutes of the Executive Committee should be sent to them.through their respective Generalates.

The meeting came to an end at 6:10 pm.

L. Skelly SMA

#### HEALTH WORKING GROUP

A meeting of the HWG was held on 4 March 1974 at 4:00 pm. at the SCMM-M Generalate.

<u>Present:</u> Sr.B. Pedretti PMN, Sr. Eugenia SSpS, sr. J. Burke **SNDN**, Sr. M. Motte FMM, Sr. G. Prové SCMM-M, Sr. B. McDonnell DC, and Fr. B. Tonna. An apology was received from Sr. Lucille SFB who was unable to attend due to illness.

Chairman: Sr. F. Webster SSMM-M.

Secretary: Fr. L. Skelly SMA.

- 1. The minutes of the previous meetings were approved.
- 2. Matters arising from the minutes: Regarding Prof. Taylor's questionnaire Fr. Tonna reported that he had heard nothing further on this matter. With reference to the Cameroon Rehabilitation Centre, Fr. O'Sullivan had informed us that he felt we could be of no further help in this project.
- 3. As regards the meetings-programme for 1974 it was agreed that there should be three, one on 11 June, a second one in September or October and a third one towards the end of the year. These would not be confined, to the Health Group but would be open to all those interested in health problems. Hopefully these meetings would lead up to a major Health Workshop to be held sometime during 1975.
  - The June meeting should provide us with a series of questions regarding health work which Generals and Councillors could ask on their visits to their field workers. The answers they got should in turn provide us with material for the meetings to be held later in the year.
- 4. After much discussion it was agreed that the meeting of 11 June should take the following form:
  - a) Explanation of the general plan of work for 1974-75.
  - b) The whole question of the purposefulness of our present method of visitation would be gone into. Are we asking the right questions on our visits? A checklist of questions would be provided for each participant.
  - c) Sr. Francis Webster would then present a "scenario" of an actual problem she was faced with in Pakistan. She would explain the problems she was faced with, the questions these raised and the solutions she suggested.
  - d) After the coffee break the participants would present their assessment of the the questions listed in the questionnaire. They would also evaluate Sr. Frances' method of approach to her problem, the questions she asked and the solutions she arrived at.
  - e) Hopefully a new list of really pertinent questions would emerge, and volunteers to take these questions to the workers in the field would be asked for.

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- 5. The next meeting of the Health Group should make the necessary preparations for the June meeting i.e. drawing up lists of people to be invited, deciding on documentation needed etc.
- 6. Under the heading of other business Fr. Tonna mentioned two items. The first concerned <u>Medeor</u> an organization which sells basic medicinal materials to missionary hospitals, clinics etc. at wholesale prices. Their representative had visited the Secretariat with lists of materials and their prices which he wished passed on to the medical missionary societies. The meeting suggested that information concerning this service should be published in the Bulletin.

The second matter concerned the finding of a successor to Sr. Gilmary Simmons as our representative with the Christian Medical Council. There are two possible candidates at the moment, Sr. B. O'Keefe HRS, who is a medical doctor with considerable mission experience, and a H.F.B. sister who lacked such experience. At the moment Sr. O'Keefe seemed the more likely prospect but a decision would have to be reached soon, as she would need to give notice to the Kenyan authorities by whom she was employed.

The meeting ended at 7:10 pm. The next meeting of the Group will take place at the Sedos Secretariat on 4 April at 3:30 pm.

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