

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 3, 1985, 10:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

C B Hirsch (Ch), M T Battle (Sec), Alva R Appel, D H Baasch, M T Bascom, L L Bock, J W Bothe, C D Brooks, L L Butler, D R Christman, V H Cooper, Helen C Craig, D E Crane, G H Crumley, N R Dower, Joseph Espinosa, V S Griffiths, Tulio R Haylock, Betty Holbrook, B E Jacobs, W G Johnsson, F L Jones, Alice Lowe, S D Meyers, K J Mittleider, W L Murrill, R W Nixon, R W Olson, S H Parker, P F Pedersen, R L Pelton, H F Rampton, A E Schmidt, P G Smith, Elizabeth Sterndale, C R Taylor, G Ralph Thompson, O A Troy, L R Van Dolson, Wyman Wager, C D Watson, M K Widmer, K H Wood.

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE

C B Hirsch read Philippians 3:13,14, a portion of which follows:

"Brothers, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal . . ." (NIV)

True happiness can be found only in God's way and Paul gives directions in the words of the above text.

There are two phases to Paul's expression: first, forget about the failures, the frustrations, the fears and follies of the past (last year); second, keep on pursuing the goal before you.

V S Griffiths offered prayer.

INTRODUCTIONS

C R Taylor introduced his son David and wife Anne. After serving as third generation missionaries in Latin America, they are now under appointment to Sudan where David Taylor will serve as director of the ADRA Khartoum project.

L L Butler presented Harold Collum and his son Harold Collum Jr of Dallas, Texas. Harold Collum Sr is a member of Andrews University Board and serves on the Andrews University committee for development. He has also given much counsel in connection with the disposition of the General Conference properties in Takoma Park.

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Tulio R Haylock introduced Allen and Andrea Steele. Allen Steele is the director of Adventist World Radio-Asia.

He also presented G Ray James, Acting Director of the Communication Department, Far Eastern Division.

REPORTS

M T Bascom gave the Ingathering report which indicated a total of \$681,628.91 raised during the past week. He again mentioned the importance of house to house labor.

L L Butler gave a progress report on the sale of General Conference properties in Takoma Park and development of the new headquarters plans. A company known as The Development Group has drawn up a proposed purchase agreement which is now being studied. This agreement provides for The Development Group to purchase all the Takoma Park properties. As each segment is released for sale, the Group will make settlement.

The General Conference office requirements have been presented to the architects, Donald Coupard Associates. Dalsemer, Catzen and Associates, Inc, are the project managers and Charles O Frederick who has been assigned full time to coordinating the building project is supervising the various consultations with Montgomery County representatives and others in order to secure necessary permits.

It is estimated that about three years will be required for the construction of the new General Conference office.

MINUTES of the meeting held December 27, 1984 were approved.

CA/GCC to SEC

COMMITTEE ON APPOINTEES

VOTED, To approve the following report of the Committee on Appointees:

Appointments

Goh, Joshua Meng-Ngee (Far East Div national, student, Andrews U)--
Reassigned from SE Asia Union Miss to SE Asia Union College,
Singapore, as Dean of Men, Far Eastern Division

Calls and Transfers Between Divisions

Tejel-Almorin, Andres (Euro-Afr Div)--Editor, IAD Publishing Association, Miami, Florida
Tonstadt, P Sigve (No Eur Div)--Physician, Juba Clinic, Sudan, request of Middle East Union, Special Service basis, 2 years, amending action of October 4, 1984 (GCC 84-320)

Permanent Returns

Hayton, William Charles from Taiwan Adv Hospital, Far Eastern Division; personal, effective May 1985
Lutz, Cheryl Lynnette from Indonesia Union College, Far Eastern Division; education, effective May 1985
Van Ornam, Donald C from Philippine Union College, Far Eastern Division; Education/Family consideration, effective April 1985.

PER/TRE/GCC to GHC-RetirePlan

ABNEY, BENJAMIN W--RETIREMENT

RECOMMENDED, To approve NAD Retirement Plan benefits for Benjamin W Abney of the General Conference maintenance staff after 32.5 years of service, effective January 1, 1985.

Adjourned

C B Hirsch, Chairman
M T Battle, Secretary
Martha Horn, Recording Secretary

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 10, 1985, 10:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Lowell L Bock (Ch), M T Battle (Sec), D H Baasch, G P Babcock, D R Christman, V H Cooper, G H Crumley, Joseph Espinosa, D F Gilbert, P A Gordon, J H Harris, Frank Holbrook, B E Jacobs, W G Johnsson, F L Jones, Alf Lohne, Alice Lowe, C D Martin, M L Mills, R W Olson, A J Patzer, George R Ramsey, G W Reid, Gary M Ross, D A Roth, A E Schmidt, P G Smith, E H J Steed, O A Troy, L R Van Dolson, M K Widmer, Roy F Williams, K H Wood, R L Woodfork.

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE

Lowell L Bock related stories which illustrated the tender feelings of animals and our duty to care for them.

"The intelligence displayed by many dumb animals approaches so closely to human intelligence that it is a mystery. . . . They manifest sympathy and tenderness toward their companions in suffering. Many animals show an affection for those who have charge of them, far superior to the affection shown by some of the human race. They form attachments for man which are not broken without great suffering to them."--MH 315,316.

M E Loewen offered prayer.

INTRODUCTIONS

B E Jacobs presented Donald F Gilbert who was elected Assistant Treasurer of the General Conference at the time of the 1984 Annual Council. He will be moving to the Washington area shortly to take up his work.

REPORTS

J H Harris related a story from New Guinea. A young man facing death in a hospital promised God that if He would heal him he would serve Him. He was healed and went to an Adventist pastor for instruction and a picture roll. He traveled to an isolated mountain valley where he found "lost" villages of about 20,000 inhabitants.

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After relating his message to the tribal chief and receiving confirmation of the truth of his message through a dream of the chief's daughter, he gathered 40 young people from another village and returned to teach the people. At this time 119 have already been baptized and 18 are in the baptismal class.

MINUTES of the meeting held January 3, 1985 were approved.

ADCOM/GCC to JWB-85GCS

1985 GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION--25% PROVISION - REPORT #8

VOTED, To approve the following adjustments in the list of the delegates at large to the 1985 General Conference Session under the 25 percent provision:

Loma Linda Foods

Alejo Pizarro

Far Eastern Division

Esmeraldo A de Leon
D L Johnson
A P Roda

South American Division

Jose Bellesi, Jr
Walter Boger
Jose Correia
Lourival Cruz
Nicolas DeBrun
Zildomar Deucher
Arnaldo Enriquez
Marcelo Fucks
Lauro Grellmann

Roberto Gullon
Joao Kiefer
Roberto Mato
Wilson de Oliveira
Rene Perez
Benjamin Reichel
Eugenio Rodriquez
Alipio da Rosa
Roald Wensell

ADCOM/GCC to GRT DHB

APPOINTEES COMMITTEE (GCC-S)--MEMBERSHIP ADJUSTMENT

VOTED, To adjust the membership of the Appointees Committee (GCC-S) as follows:

Add E E Carman

ADCOM/GCC to FWW DHB

SUBSIDIARY ORGANIZATIONS ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATING
COMMITTEE (GCC-S)--MEMBERSHIP ADJUSTMENT

VOTED, To adjust the membership of the Subsidiary Organizations
Administrative Coordinating Committee (GCC-S) as follows:

Add Albert S Whiting

ADCOM/GCC to DFG DHB

GILBERT, DONALD F--COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

VOTED, To assign Donald F Gilbert to the following committees and
boards:

Standing Committees

Administrative
Allowances and Adjustments, Secretary
Annual Leaves
Appointees
Approach to Islam
Islamic Evangelistic Team--Counseling (Subcommittee)
Baltimore Warehouse, Vice-Chairman
Borrowing and Distribution of Funds and Building Finance
Continuing Medical Education (General Conference Staff
Physicians and Nurses)
Credentials and Licenses
Finance, Assistant Secretary
General Conference
General Conference Officers
General Conference China
Division Reports--Program Schedule, Time, Length (Subcommittee
of General Conference Session 1985 Central Planning and
Program)
General Conference Session 1985 Physical Arrangements
Indo-China Relief, Secretary
Interdivision Travel
Investment and Securities
Office Services
Overtime Screening, Chairman
Personnel
Personnel Screening, Chairman
President's Administrative Council (PRADCO)
Retirement Plan
Sponsorships, Secretary
Subsidiary Organizations Administrative Coordinating, Secretary
Wage Scale

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Boards

Adventist World Purchasing Service
Adventist Development and Relief Agency International (ADRA)
Board of Directors
ADRA Executive Committee of the Board

ADCOM/GCC to LB DHB

BUTLER, L L--COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

VOTED, To assign L L Butler to the following standing committees:

Aviation
Aviation Administrative

ADCOM/GCC to BEJ

WEST CENTRAL AFRICAN UNION MISSION NAME CHANGED TO
CENTRAL AFRICAN UNION MISSION - AID

The former Central African Union Mission has been discontinued (see GCC 84-76). It is therefore

VOTED, To authorize the name of the West Central African Union Mission to be changed to Central African Union Mission as requested by the Africa-Indian Ocean Division.

ADCOM/GCC to DRC

GENERAL CALLS

VOTED, To approve the following General calls involving the General Conference or its institutions:

Bascom, Dorothy (General Conference)--Administrative Secretary,
Home Study International

Krein, Nancy (General Conference)--Programmer, Columbia Union
Conference

Newmyer, Terry A (Andrews University)--Director of Marketing,
Florida Conference

Wilson, Gary Dwain (PR-Far Eastern Division)--Principal,
Greater New York Conference

TRE/GCO/GCC to LLB

INGATHERING FUNDS FOR AFRICA RELIEF--APPROPRIATION

Inquiries have been made in North America and in other divisions as to whether Ingathering funds are being used for Africa famine relief. It is reported that Ingathering solicitors have been referring to the famine conditions in Africa in connection with the 1984-1985 Ingathering Campaign.

R R Drachenberg reported that ADRA is allocating large sums of money and resources to disaster areas in Africa. It was felt, however, that a portion of Ingathering funds should also be allocated for those needs.

VOTED, 1. To appropriate US\$250,000.00 to Africa relief, \$150,000.00 of which is to be released immediately for Ethiopia and the total funded by an advance against 1986 World Ingathering Funds.

2. To channel the above funding for specific needs in Africa through ADRA.

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1985 GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION DELEGATES--25% PROVISION--
ASSIGNMENT OF QUOTAS - REPORT #7

VOTED, To authorize the following additional partial list of delegate quotas to the 1985 General Conference Session under the 25 percent provision of the General Conference Constitution, Article III, Section 3b. (specific names to be voted upon recommendation of the respective divisions):

Divisions/Attached Union

Far Eastern Division - increase from 10 to.....15

GCO/Divisions/GCO/GCC to GRT

OPTIONAL ANNUAL LEAVE GUIDELINES (GCO-A)--COMMITTEE REPORT
(Optional Home Leave Guidelines)

VOTED, To adopt the following guidelines for use by divisions in cases where it is necessary to allow an optional annual leave to inter-division workers prior to the regular furlough time:

1. Requests for optional annual leave shall be presented to the division secretary through the employing organization.

2. Requests for optional annual leave may be considered for the following reasons:

- a. Limited institutional vacation periods
- b. Difficulty for the employing organization to provide relief service for normal furlough periods
- c. Health reasons
- d. Family responsibilities.

3. If the request for optional annual leave is approved, the division Committee shall notify the General Conference and the worker's base division.

4. Special provisions/limitations for an optional annual leave shall be as follows:

- a. The time provision shall be one month after eleven months of service.
- b. The optional annual leave shall be in lieu of the regular annual vacation.
- c. Actual round-trip fare by the most economical route and carrier(s) approved by the division shall be allowed.
- d. Salary shall be at the field rate. Stay on payroll of field organization.
- e. No furlough allowances shall be granted except as in paragraph i. below.
- f. Adequate insurance shall be secured by the division for the period of travel and home leave.
- g. Only one destination in the homeland shall be allowed.
- h. On return to the post of duty, the worker shall begin a new cycle of service.
- i. Baggage allowance shall be provided one way only on return to the field.
- j. Arrangements for any health evaluations and reports shall be the responsibility of the employing division.

k. Rehabilitation and freight allowances, at the time of permanent return, shall be based upon the period of interdivision service since the last furlough or home leave--whichever was last.

GCO/ONUP84AC/N84AC/GCO/GCC to LB-85GCS DHB

181-85N ADVENTIST PERSONNEL SERVICE--IMPLEMENTATION
(357-84N Seventh-day Adventist Personnel Services/Personnel Information System (PIDB))

The NADCA 1984 Annual Council took the following action on October 18, 1984: (see NADCA 84-258,259)

"VOTED, 1. To authorize the establishment of a denominational Personnel Information System to

"a. Coordinate the personnel resources and programs already operating at General Conference headquarters and at various other denominational organizations and institutions in the North American Division, and

"b. Offer a denominational personnel information service to organizations in the North American Division and eventually to other world divisions. Estimated cost for the first year of operation: \$261,189, including \$193,854 (74.2%) already being expended in current operations.

"2. To authorize the establishment in the General Conference, as soon as feasible, of a Seventh-day Adventist Personnel Services Office with terms of operation and reference as outlined in the Wilson Committee report of 1972/73. Estimated annual cost in addition to the Personal Information System operation: \$65,255."

For the purpose of implementing the above action, it is

VOTED, 1. To change the name, Seventh-day Adventist Personnel Services, to Adventist Personnel Service.

2. To include the office of Adventist Personnel Service in the list of recognized organizations in the General Conference/ denomination.

3. To direct that the director of Adventist Personnel Service be designated as an elected member of the General Conference staff.

4. To appoint a committee, Adventist Personnel Service Implementation (GCC-A), as follows:

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a. Terms of Reference

1) Function on an interim basis to give direction to the Adventist Personnel Service staff until such time as the Service is established and fully operational. (At that time this committee will be replaced by the Adventist Personnel Services Council.)

2) Outline steps to be taken by the Adventist Personnel Service and other denominational organizations for the establishment and operation of the Adventist Personnel Service and also for the development and implementation of the Personnel Management Information System (PMIS) as voted at the 1984 Annual Council.

3) Establish time/phase schedules and monitor progress of the implementation of the Adventist Personnel Service and the PMIS.

b. Members

L L Bock, Chairman	
George R Ramsey, Secretary	
D H Baasch	M L Mills
W S Banfield	D E Robinson
L L Butler	Eunice J Rozema
G H Crumley	F W Wernick
R L Dale	F Donald Yost
F L Jones	

GCO/ONUP84AC/N84AC/GCO/GCC to LB-85GCS

RAMSEY, GEORGE R--DIRECTOR, ADVENTIST PERSONNEL
SERVICE

VOTED, To elect George R Ramsey to serve as Director of the Adventist Personnel Service for the balance of the current quinquennium.

GCO/GCC to NCW DHB

ROLE OF WOMEN IN THE CHURCH (GCC-A)--NORTH AMERICAN
DIVISION COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The 1984 Annual Council voted the following directive:

"A meeting of at least two representatives from each of the world divisions will be scheduled in connection with the General Conference Committee 1985 Spring Meeting. The meeting will be coordinated by the Biblical Research Institute." (See GCC 84-391.)

VOTED, To appoint members of the committee, Role of Women in the Church (GCC-A), as follows:

General Conference Representatives

Neal C Wilson, Chairman	
George W Reid, Secretary	
Warren S Banfield	Kenneth J. Mittleider
Lowell L Bock	Enoch Oliveira
Charles E Bradford	Robert W Olson
Lance L Butler	Calvin B Rock
Charlotte Conway	J Robert Spangler
Charles B Hirsch	G Ralph Thompson
Betty Holbrook	Francis W Wernick
Alf Lohne	

North American Division Representatives

Robert Carter	Max Martinez
Jack Doggette	A C McClure
Dorothy Eddlemon	E A Roberts
Joe Espinosa	Torhild Rom
Marsha Frost	Delores Slikkers
Hedwig Jemison	Kit Watts
Rosalee Haffner Lee	J W Wilson
Earnest E Lutz	Ron Wisbey
Delores Maupin	Henry Wright

Academic Representatives

Raoul Dederen	W Richard Lesher
Gerhard Hasel	Beatrice Neall
William Johnsson	V Norskov Olsen

CA/GCC to SEC

COMMITTEE ON APPOINTEES

VOTED, To approve the following report of the Committee on Appointees:

Appointments

Newbold, Robson Sims (Ardmore, Okla)--Physician/Surgeon, Taiwan Adv Hospital, Far Eastern Division
Johnson, Stemple (Clovis, Calif)--Deferred appointment to Far Eastern Division

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Calls and Transfers Between Divisions

Currie, Holman Carl (Eastern Afr Div)--Vice-Chairman of Hong Kong China Committee, to transfer at time of furlough, GCChina/Far Eastern Division
King, Alan (Aust Div)--Director of Industries, Inca Union College, Peru, South American Division, SOS basis, 2 years

Releases

Johnson, Stemple from apt to Taiwan Adv Hospital, Far Eastern Division; not available at present

Permanent Returns

Larson, Ralph Segrid from SDA Theol Sem, (Philippines) Far Eastern Division; retirement, effective June 1985
Munger, Willard from Spicer Memorial College, India, Southern Asia Division; visa renewal problem, effective December 1984
Ringering, Dale Leroy from Guam, Far Eastern Division; assignment completed/family consideration, effective June 1985
Rolfe, Glenda Shirley from Health Dept, Far Eastern Division; retirement, effective October 1985

GCC to MTB

ROLFE, GLENDA S--APPRECIATION

VOTED, To express appreciation to Glenda S Rolfe for 21 years of service as a medical missionary in the Far Eastern and Inter-American Divisions. For the past five years she has served as an associate in the Department of Health, Far Eastern Division.

ITC/GCC to AL

INTERDIVISION TRAVEL

VOTED, To approve the following interdivision travel:

AUTHORIZATIONS

ADRA

Drachenberg, Robert R	Euro-Afr Div, Jan 8-15, 1985 Middle East Un, Jan 21-31, 1985 Eastern Afr Div, Feb 1-12, 1985
Seidl, Haroldo J	So Amer Div, Jan 27-Feb 27, 1985 Int-Amer Div, Feb 28-Mar 11, 1985

Syme, David R

So Asia Div, Feb 22-28, 1985
No Eur Div, Mar 1-3, 1985

Visser, Conrad

Int-Amer Div, Jan 20-Feb 18, 1985

Communication

Haylock, Tulio R

Euro-Afr Div, Jan 8-24, 1985

Education

Griffiths, Victor S

Aust Div, Sept 1-30, 1985

Health

Hardinge, Mervyn G

Int-Amer Div, Apr 1-8, 1985

Islamic

Schmidt, Arturo E

Far East Div, Jan 14-Feb 9, 1985

Presidential

Wilson, Neal C

Euro-Afr Div, Feb 10-18, 1985

Secretariat

Thompson, G Ralph

Euro-Afr, Feb 10-18, 1985

Trust

Appel, Alva R

East Afr Div, Feb 1-28, 1986

White Estate

Coon, Roger W

East Afr Div, Oct 8-31, 1986

SPECIALS (Non General Conference workers)

Andrews University

Steele, Allen R

Far East Div, Feb 1-Mar 18, 1985.
Expenses by Adv World Radio

Steele, Andrea G

Far East Div, Feb 1-Mar 18, 1985.
Expenses by Adv World Radio

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Columbia Union Conference

Martell, J Lynn

Far East Div, Philippines, Apr 5-May
25, 1985. Expenses by Far Eastern
Division

Geoscience Research Institute

Roth, Ariel A

No Eur Div, Dec 15-21, 1985. Expenses
by Northern European Division

Loma Linda University

Brand, Leonard R

No Eur Div, Dec 15-21, 1985. Expenses
by Northern European Division

ADJUSTMENTS

North American Division

Boney, Robert

No Eur Div, Sept 6-Oct 4, 1985 instead
of Feb 5-March 15, 1985 as previously
voted. Expenses by No Eur Division

Education

Taylor, Charles R

So Asia Div, Mar 1-Apr 3, 1985 instead
of Mar 1-14, 1985 as previously voted.

Adjourned

Lowell L Bock, Chairman
M T Battle, Secretary
Martha Horn, Recording Secretary

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 17, 1985, 10:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Alf Lohne (Ch), C D Watson (Sec), Alva R Appel, D H Baasch, M T Bascom, G J Bertochini, D E Crane, P A Gordon, J H Harris, Iris Hayden, Betty Holbrook, Kenneth Livesay, Eloy Martinez, M L Mills, R W Nixon, R E Osborn, H F Rampton, G R Ramsey, Gary M Ross, E H J Steed, C R Taylor.

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE

Alf Lohne read Exodus 4:10-12, a portion of which follows:

"But Moses said, 'No Lord, don't send me. I have never been a good speaker, and I haven't become one since you began to speak to me. . . .'

"The Lord said to him, 'Who gives man his mouth? . . . I will help you to speak, . . .'" (Good News Bible)

Moses felt incapable of carrying out God's command. He is even specific in listing his weaknesses. But God did not need his capabilities. All He needed was his willingness. What men can do is not important; what God can do through men is what matters.

Our experience may be like that expressed in this testimony:

"I asked for strength that I might achieve,
I was made weak, that I might learn humbly to obey."

Gary M Ross offered prayer.

MINUTES of the meeting held January 10, 1985 were approved.

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ADCOM/GCC to GHC-RetirePlan

FOLKENBERG, ELMAN J--RETIREMENT BENEFITS

RECOMMENDED, To approve NAD retirement benefits for Elman J Folkenberg effective December 1, 1984 after 20.63 years of denominational service.

ADCOM/GCC to JWB LB

NAD EDITORS COUNCIL CANCELLATION

VOTED, To cancel the NAD Editors Council which was scheduled to be held March 6-8, 1985.

CA/GCC to SEC

COMMITTEE ON APPOINTEES

VOTED, To approve the following report of the Committee on Appointees:

Appointments

Gryte, Glenn Alexander (Yakima, Wash)--OB/GYN Physician, Taiwan Adv Hospital, Far Eastern Division
Reimche, Kenneth Dale (Man-Sask Conf)--Administrator, Youngberg Adventist Hospital, Singapore, Far Eastern Division
Walker, Leonard W (Weslaco, Texas)--Builder/Vocational Arts teacher, ADRA Juba Project, Sudan, Middle East Union

Calls and Transfers Between Divisions

Henry, Ariel (Euro-Afr Div)--Administrator, Haiti Adv Hosp, Inter-American Division, national returning
Roy, Steve (So Asia Div)--Lab technician, Hongkong Adv Hosp, Far Eastern Division, effective January 1, 1983.
Sundquist, Paul (No Eur Div)--Request of General Conference, to come to Washington to write script for GC Session Mission Pageant, GC/North American Division, Special Service

Releases

Neibauer, Chris (Afr-Ind Ocean Div) from call to transfer at furlough time to SDA Health Services, Nairobi, Kenya, Eastern Africa Division; declined, will remain in Africa-Indian Ocean Division another term.

Permanent Returns

Blewett, Larry from Haiti Adv Hosp, Inter-American Division; effective June 17, 1985, personal
Diaz, Lucas M from Dominican Jr Coll, Dominican Republic, Inter-American Division; effective June 17, 1985, personal

Esau, Naomi from Karachi Adv Hosp, Pakistan, Southern Asia Division to Australasian Division; effective January 1985, personal
Jenson, Wesley G from Spicer Mem Coll, India, Southern Asia Division; effective August 1985, personal
Leavitt, Keith J from Pakistan, Southern Asia Division; effective June 1985, family considerations
Matsunami, Kohiro from South Brazil Union, South American Division to Far Eastern Division; effective February 1, 1985, education
Rowe, Robert L from Spicer Mem Coll, India, Southern Asia Division; effective November 1985, retirement
Wilson, Kenneth Carl from Singapore Overseas Elementary School, Far Eastern Division; effective June 1985, Division recommendation.

GCC to CDW

JENSON, WESLEY G--APPRECIATION

VOTED, To express appreciation to Wesley G Jenson for 33 years of service in the educational work of the Church. All of this service, except 2 years, was rendered in the Southern Asia Division.

GCC to CDW

ROWE, ROBERT L--APPRECIATION

VOTED, To express appreciation to Robert L Rowe for 42 years of mission service in the educational work of the Church. With the exception of 4 years in the Near East, all this service was rendered in the Southern Asia Division.

ITC/GCC to AL

INTERDIVISION TRAVEL

VOTED, To approve the following interdivision travel:

AUTHORIZATIONS

Communication

Haylock, Tulio R

Far East Div, Guam, Feb 10-21, 1985
So Asia Div, Feb 22-Mar3, 1985
Far East Div, Mar 4-10, 1985

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Presidential

Lohne, Alf Far East Div, Feb 28-Mar 8, 1985

Secretariat

Roth, Don A Far East Div, Mar 1-10, 1985

Watson, Charles D So Asia Div, Feb 18-Mar 10, 1985

SPECIALS (Non General Conference Workers)

Andrews University

Streeter, Edward A Far East Div, Feb 13-Mar 17, 1985.
Expenses by Far Eastern Division.

Walla Walla College

Shultz, Dan M No Eur Div, Newbold Coll, England,
July 17-Aug 14, 1985. Expenses by
Northern European Division.

Adjourned

Alf Lohne, Chairman
C D Watson, Secretary
Martha Horn, Recording Secretary

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 24, 1985, 10:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

F W Wernick (Ch), M T Battle (Sec), D H Baasch, B B Beach, J W Bothe, C E Bradford, C D Brooks, W J Brown, Shirley Burton, L L Butler, D R Christman, G H Crumley, N R Dower, D F Gilbert, P A Gordon, J H Harris, Marion L Hartlein, Iris Hayden, C B Hirsch, B E Jacobs, W G Johnsson, F L Jones, Kenneth Livesay, C D Martin, S D Meyers, M L Mills, S F Monnier, M J Murray, W L Murrill, R W Nixon, A J Patzer, R L Pelton, H F Rampton, G R Ramsey, D E Robinson, D A Roth, P G Smith, E H J Steed, Elizabeth Sterndale, O A Troy, L R Van Dolson, Irma B Vyhmeister, C D Watson, M K Widmer, R L Woodfork.

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE

F W Wernick spoke about strategic planning. The first step is to define the mission of the organization concerned.

The mission of the Church is clearly redefined by Jesus in Acts 1:8--witnessing throughout the world. God's final movement is based upon our witness of Christ and the whole body of teaching that He gave the disciples regarding the Saviour as the center, the object of all that had been encompassed in the Old Testament. Although circumstances have changed, we are the successors of the disciples and our mission is to witness through the power of the Holy Spirit.

C D Brooks offered prayer.

INTRODUCTIONS

R W Nixon introduced Shirley Burton, Associate Director of the Communication Department. For 15 years she has served as Director of Communication in the Pacific Union Conference. She will officially join the General Conference staff on March 1, 1985.

MINUTES of the meeting held January 17, 1985 were approved.

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ADCOM/GCC to AL DHB

CHINA COMMITTEE (GCC-S)--RETIRED

VOTED, To retire the China Committee (GCC-S) since it has been replaced by the General Conference Eastern Asia Committee.

GCO/ADCOM/GCC to AL DHB

GENERAL CONFERENCE EASTERN ASIA COMMITTEE (GCC-S) AND
HONG KONG EASTERN ASIA (GCC-S)--COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

VOTED, 1. To appoint a committee, General Conference Eastern Asia (GCC-S), as follows:

TERMS OF REFERENCE

AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY

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|--|---|
| 1. Develop the budget for the GCEAC. | 1. Recommend to the GC Budget Committee. |
| 2. Develop policies for the operation of GCEAC & HKEAC. | 2. Power to act within principles of the GC <u>Working Policy</u> . |
| 3. Process retirement applications from Mainland China and employees of the Hong Kong office upon recommendation of the subsidiary committee. | 3. Power to act. |
| 4. Administer the calling and employment of expatriate workers, and financial matters not cared for in the budget. | 4. Power to act. |
| 5. Appoint the officers of the Hong Kong organization and members of the HKEAC subsidiary committee. Officers will be director, secretary and treasurer. | 5. Power to act. |
| 6. Administer other matters referred to it by the General Conference or the subsidiary committee. | 6. Power to act or route to appropriate body as may be indicated. |

7. Arrange for annual audit by the General Conference Auditing Service.
7. Power to act.

PROCEDURES

1. The GCEAC is appointed by the General Conference.
2. The GCEAC functions as a Division Committee.
3. The work for mainland China is to be administered by this committee in Washington, DC, at the General Conference, and by its subcommittee in Hong Kong.

MEMBERSHIP (same as former China Committee)

Alf Lohne, Chairman	
D A Roth, Secretary	
D F Gilbert, Treasurer	
Alva R Appel	B E Jacobs
L L Bock	W L Murrill
L L Butler	D E Robinson
G H Crumley	G R Thompson
T R Haylock	Neal C Wilson

2. To appoint a subcommittee, Hong Kong Eastern Asia (GCC-S), as follows:

TERMS OF REFERENCE

AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY

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| 1. Operate within the budget voted by the GCEAC. | 1. Power to act. |
| 2. Employ local workers in Hong Kong as provided in the budget and set their salaries through an audit subcommittee. Salaries and benefits are to be in harmony with the policies of the Hong Kong-Macao Conference. | 2. Power to act. |
| 3. Process retirement applications from Mainland China and employees of the HKEAC. | 3. Recommend to GCEAC. |
| 4. Prepare radio programs to be broadcast from Hong Kong, Macao and other stations and directed toward Eastern Asia. | 4. Power to act. |

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| 5. Operate the Bible Correspondence School connected with the radio broadcasts. | 5. Power to act. |
| 6. Provide needed materials for the broadcasts and the Bible Correspondence courses. | 6. Power to act. |
| 7. Maintain contact with and gather information about Seventh-day Adventists in Eastern Asia, always keeping in mind the sensitive issues involved and the safety and protection of our members. | 7. Power to act. |
| 8. Prepare major plans and recommendations for the improvement and expansion of the work in Eastern Asia. | 8. Recommend to GCEAC. |
| 9. Issue licenses and credentials for employees of HKEAC. | 9. Power to act. |

PROCEDURES

1. The Hong Kong Eastern Asia Committee is a subcommittee of the General Conference Eastern Asia Committee in Washington, DC.
2. The HKEAC is appointed by the General Conference.

MEMBERSHIP

Alf Lohne, Chairman
H Carl Currie, Vice-chairman
W K Cheng, Secretary
D F Gilbert, Treasurer
E Hsu
J Hsuen
C H Kao
M D Lee
R Wong
Wong Yat Chung
S C Young
President, Far Eastern Division
Secretary, Far Eastern Division
Treasurer, Far Eastern Division
Communications Director, Far Eastern Division
Treasurer, South China Island Union Mission
GC Secretary assigned to GCEAC

PER/GCC to GHC-RetirePlan

ELIZONDO, OFELIA--RETIREMENT

RECOMMENDED, To approve NAD Retirement Plan benefits for Ofelia Elizondo of the General Conference Sabbath School Department after nearly 15 years of denominational service, effective January 1, 1985.

CA/GCC to SEC

COMMITTEE ON APPOINTEES

VOTED, To approve the following report of the Committee on Appointees:

Appointments

Blackwood, James E (Boring, Oregon)--ADRA Director, Ethiopian Union Miss, Eastern Africa Division
Maier, Rudolf (Broadview, Illinois)--ADRA Director, Pune, India, Southern Asia Division
Munger, Perry Willard III (Berrien Springs, Mich)--Dean, School of Voc Tech, Central Philippine Adv College, Far Eastern Division
Visger, Dale B (College Place, Wash)--Industrial Arts Teacher, Univ of Eastern Africa, Kenya, Eastern Africa Division

Calls and Transfers Between Divisions

Agriculturist (Far East Div)--Juba, Sudan, Middle East Union
Carpenter/Maintenance Engineer (No Eur Div)--Banjul, Gambia Mission Station, Africa-Indian Ocean Division, Special Service (AAV) basis
Joseph, Ebenezer (So Asia Div)--Nurse, Gimbie Hospital, Ethiopia, Eastern Africa Division
Tobing, Joseph and Sharon (serving SS assignment in Tanzania)--To transfer as Field Supervisor and Health Educator, respectively, ADRA project, Khartoum, Sudan, Middle East Union

Releases

Andersen, Helge S (No Eur Div) from call to Tanzania Union Mission, Eastern Africa Division; declined
Aziz (Yousef), Bishara (Middle East Un) from call to Gimbie Hospital, Ethiopia, Eastern Africa Division; name withdrawn
Builder (No Eur Div)--Cancel request for Banjul, Gambia Mission Station, Africa-Indian Ocean Division on Special Service basis

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TRE/GCC to LLB

TRANS-AFRICA DIVISION ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

VOTED, To allocate to the new Eastern Africa Division, the Southern Union Mission and the South African Union Conference, the assets and liabilities held by the Trans-Africa Division at December 31, 1983, as indicated by such asset or liability. Working capital at that date shall be allocated as follows:

90% to the Eastern Africa Division

10% to the General Conference for the benefit of the Southern and South African Unions.

TRE/GCC to WLM

CITIBANK, HONG KONG--SIGNATURES

VOTED, To authorize Citibank, Hong Kong, to recognize the signatures of L L Butler, and/or W L Murrill, and/or D F Gilbert to sign or make any changes and orders for payment of money for account 08811 040 in the name of General Conference China Committee. All prior authorizations for this account are hereby annulled and cancelled.

TRE/GCC to WLM

BANK OF AMERICA, NT AND SA--SIGNATURES

VOTED, To authorize the Bank of America, NT and SA, Los Angeles, to recognize the signatures of L L Butler, and/or W L Murrill, and/or D F Gilbert to sign or make any changes and orders for the payment of money for the account which is in the name of Medical/Dental Student Loans Agreement. All prior authorizations for this account are hereby annulled and cancelled.

TRE/GCC to WLM

ROYAL BANK OF CANADA--SIGNATURES

VOTED, To authorize the Royal Bank of Canada, Montreal, Quebec to recognize the signatures of L L Butler, and/or W L Murrill, and/or D F Gilbert to recognize or make any changes and orders for the payment of money for the account 114-415-3, which is in the name of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. All prior authorizations for this account are hereby annulled and cancelled.

TRE/GCC to WLM

AMERICAN EXPRESS INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION--SIGNATURES

VOTED, To authorize the American Express International Banking Corporation, New York, to recognize the signatures of L L Butler, and/or W L Murrill, and/or D F Gilbert to sign and make any changes and orders for the payment of money for account number 98207 (India) which is in the name of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. All prior authorizations for this account are hereby annulled and cancelled.

TRE/GCC to WLM

AMERICAN EXPRESS INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION--SIGNATURES

VOTED, To authorize the American Express International Banking Corporation, New York, to recognize the signatures of L L Butler, and/or W L Murrill, and/or D F Gilbert to sign and make any changes and orders for payment of money for account number 98329 (Pakistan) which is in the name of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. All prior authorizations for this account are hereby annulled and cancelled.

ITC/GCC to AL

INTERDIVISION TRAVEL

VOTED, To approve the following interdivision travel:

AUTHORIZATIONS

ADRA

Drachenberg, Robert R	Far East Div, Japan, Korea, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Feb 24-Mar 10, 1985
Jenson, William H	Mid East Un, Sudan, Jan 24-31, 1985 E Afr Div, Feb 1-5, 1985 Afr-Ind Ocean Div, Feb 5-12, 1985
Ochoa, Mario H	So Amer Div, Jan 31-Feb 20, 1985
Syme, David R	So Amer Div, Jan 30-Feb 13, 1985
Wilmot, Richard W	So Amer Div, Jan 28-Feb 20, 1985 E Afr Div, Feb 20-24, 1985 So Asia Div, Feb 24-Mar 5, 1985 Far East Div, Mar 5-20, 1985

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Presidential

Lohne, Alf and Agnes SDA Church in USSR, Apr 11-28, 1985

Treasury

Butler, Lance L Far East Div, Mar 1-10, 1985

Gilbert, Donald F Far East Div, Mar 1-10, 1985

Robinson, Donald E So Afr Un Conf, Apr 13-28, 1985

SPECIALS (Non General Conference Workers)

Loma Linda University

Hilde, Reuben L Aust Div, Dec 5-20, 1985. Expenses by Australasian Division

North American Division

Tulio, John G Far East Div, Philippines, Feb 18-23, 1985. Will pay his own expenses.
(So Calif Conf)

Northern European Division

Luukko, Heikki J Int & So Amer Divs, Feb 8-Mar 10, 1985
No Amer Div, Mar 11,12, 1985
Afr-Ind Ocean Div, Apr 5-12, 1985
E Afr Div, Apr 13-30, 1985. Expenses by Northern European Division

Opsahl Finn H Int-Amer Div, Feb 20-Mar 10, 1985.
Travel expenses by West Nordic Union

Waern, Carsten No Amer Div, Loma Linda Foods, Jan 24-Feb 3, 1985. Expenses by Swedish Union

Adjourned

F W Wernick, Chairman
M T Battle, Secretary
Martha Horn, Recording Secretary

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 31, 1985, 10:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

C E Bradford (Ch), J W Bothe (Sec), D H Baasch, D R Christman, V H Cooper, R L Dale, C O Frederick, J H Harris, C B Hirsch, Betty Holbrook, D W Holbrook, W G Johnsson, F L Jones, R E Klimes, Alf Lohne, C D Martin, M L Mills, K J Middleider, S F Monnier, W L Murrill, R W Olson, R E Osborn, S H Parker, L H Pitton, L A Ramirez, G R Ramsey, Gary M Ross, D A Roth, P G Smith, E H J Steed, Elizabeth Sterndale, O A Troy, L R Van Dolson, C D Watson, F W Wernick, M K Widmer, R L Woodfork.

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE

C E Bradford read Numbers 23:23 which exalts God's power in the Balaam experience.

Obedience to God is our defense. There is no need to consider the prevailing sensate culture or any other external threat. Danger from within is more deadly.

"When the people of God are faithful to His commandments, 'there is no enchantment against Jacob, neither is there any divination against Israel.' Hence all the power and wily arts of Satan are exerted to seduce them into sin. If those who profess to be the depositaries of God's law become transgressors of its precepts, they separate themselves from God, and they will be unable to stand before their enemies."-- PP 457.

The prosperity of God's people in the days when Balaam attempted to curse them, is represented by beautiful figures found in nature. God desires the same spiritual prosperity for His children today.

"Above all other trees the cedar of Lebanon is distinguished for its strength, its firmness, its undecaying vigor; and this is used as a symbol of those whose life is 'hid with Christ in God.'(Col 3:3)"-- PP 450.

F W Wernick offered prayer.

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INTRODUCTIONS

C D Watson introduced Donald O Eichner on special assignment in Nepal where he is serving as education advisor/consultant.

MINUTES of the meeting held January 24, 1985 were approved.

PARKER, STANTON H--INSURANCE COVERAGE REPORT

Stanton H Parker, President of the Gencon Risk Management Service and The International Insurance Company, introduced his report by mentioning the doctrine of ascending liability and the study which has been given to meeting this issue.

Due to a soft insurance market, Gencon was able in the past to obtain a \$100 million umbrella policy for the world field. Renewal date is February 1 but premium costs will be much higher, therefore the decision whether the coverage should be \$50 million or more will be deferred until the matter has been studied by the NAD and Risk Management Committee since a \$100 million coverage was voted by the 1984 Annual Council. The Insurance Service is working toward that objective.

GCO/GCC to JWB-85GCS

1985 GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION DELEGATES--
25% PROVISION--ASSIGNMENT OF QUOTAS - REPORT #10

VOTED, To authorize the following additional delegate quotas to the 1985 General Conference Session under the 25 percent provision of the General Conference Constitution, Art III, Section 3b:

Divisions

Africa-Indian Ocean Division	6
Inter-American Division - increase from 4 to	5

AID/EUD/IAD/MEU/ADCOM/GCC to JWB-85GCS

1985 GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION--25% PROVISION -
REPORT #9

VOTED, To approve additional delegates to the 1985 General Conference Session under the 25 percent provision of the General Conference Constitution, Article III, as follows:

Africa-Indian Ocean Division

Wallace Amundson
James Fly
Ninfa Gonzaga
Martha LaPierre
Robert E Lemon
Elizabeth Nunez

Euro-Africa Division

Arno Boex
Christa Boex
Raul Posse
Jean Scippa
Claude Villeneuve

Inter-American Division

Salim Japas

Middle East Union

Daniel David
Edmond Haddad
Devraju Juttuka

NAD/ADCOM/GCC to JWB

1985 GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION--25% PROVISION -
ADJUSTMENTS

VOTED, To authorize the following adjustments in the list of the delegates at large to the 1985 General Conference Session under the 25 percent provision:

Columbia Union

Delete: C Gerry Fisher
Add: Ed Motschieder

Mid-America Union

Delete: Dean Hubbard
Leanne Kaiser
Add: Ken Everett
Benjamin Wygal

North Pacific Union

Delete: Bernard L Cook
Marilyn Cramer
Lewis A Shipowick
Add: Leonard Ayers

Pacific Union

Delete: Terry Cassingham
Add: John Sharp

Southern Union

Delete: Bob Scott

Southwestern Union

Delete: John McFarland
Add: Dan Neergaard

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ADCOM/GCC to LB DHB

AVIATION (GCC-S)--MEMBERSHIP ADJUSTMENT

VOTED, To adjust the membership of the Aviation (GCC-S) Committee as follows:

Add: Raymond O Swensen
Delete: William E Smith

ADCOM/GCC to DRC

GENERAL CALLS

VOTED, To approve the following General calls involving the General Conference or its institutions:

Hernandez, Oscar H (SE California Conference)--Director, Public Relations and Development, Spanish Voice of Prophecy, Adventist Media Center
Jones, Alger J (PR-EAD)--Senior Accountant, Pacific Union Conference

CA/GCC to SEC

COMMITTEE ON APPOINTEES

VOTED, To approve the following report of the Committee on Appointees:

Appointments

Prouty, Robert S (Onsted, Mich)--Dean of Students/Education Teacher, Adv Univ of Central Africa, Rwanda, Africa-Indian Ocean Division
Skrla, Peter (Calgary, Alberta)--Medical Lab Technician/Sr Instructor, Malamulo Hosp & Leprosarium, Malawi, Eastern Africa Division

Calls and Transfer Between Divisions

Charge Nurse (Far East Div)--Makale Clinic, Ethiopia, Eastern Africa Division
Gallis, Jacques (Euro-Afr Div)--Chemistry Teacher, Adv Univ of Central Africa, Rwanda, Africa-Indian Ocean Division
Gaona, Alfredo (Int-Amer Div)--Pastor, Ecuador Mission, South American Division (EM-1)
Ilunga, Mubedi (Euro-Afr Div)--Chemistry Teacher, Adv Univ of Central Africa, Rwanda, Africa-Indian Ocean Division, national returning

Ortega, Abel (IAD student, River Plate Coll, Argentina)--Pastor,
North Coast Mission, North Brazil Union, South American
Division (NBU-11)
Paul, Jean-Luc (Euro-Afr Div)--Agriculture Teacher, Adv Univ of
Central Africa, Rwanda, Africa-Indian Ocean Division
Villeneuve, Rene (Euro-Afr Div)--French Lang/Literature Teacher,
Adv Univ of Central Africa, Rwanda, Africa-Indian Ocean
Division

Releases

Foulston, Richard W from appt to SDA Health Service, Nairobi,
Kenya, Eastern Africa Division; name withdrawn
Westney, Adrian from appt to West Indies College, Inter-American
Division; declined

Permanent Returns

Oliver, Charles Gilbert from East Indonesia Union, Far Eastern
Division--change of effective date from September 1983 to
January 1985
Schlehuber, Fred Erwin from Far Eastern Division; retirement,
effective May 1985.

GCC to JWB

SCHLEHUBER, FRED E--APPRECIATION

VOTED, To express appreciation to Fred E Schlehuber for 41 years
of denominational service, 32 years of which were spent in the Eastern
Africa Division, the Southern Asia Division, and (for the past 12 years)
the Far Eastern Division. He served in various administrative positions
during these years.

TRE/GCC to WLM

EXCHANGE RATE ADJUSTMENTS

VOTED, To approve the following adjustments in fixed rates of
exchange, effective February 1, 1985:

<u>Division/Union</u>	<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Local Currency Units Per US \$</u>	<u>US \$ Per Local Currency Units</u>
Africa-Indian Ocean Ivory Coast	CFA	485.00	.0020619
Euro-Africa France	Ffr	9.70	.1030938
Switzerland	Sfr	2.60	.3846154

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<u>Division/Union</u>	<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Local Currency Units Per US \$</u>	<u>US \$ Per Local Currency Units</u>
Far Eastern Singapore	\$S	2.20	.4545455
Northern European Britain	L	.8928571	1.12
South American Brazil	Cr\$	3,700.00	.0002703
Middle East Union Cyprus	CY L	.6550075	1.5267
South Africa Johannesburg	ZAR	2.09	.4784688

EUD/BoFF/GCC to FLJ

GERMAN HEALTH FOOD FACTORY--FINANCIAL PLAN APPROVED

On the recommendation of the Borrowing of Funds and Building
Finance Committee,

VOTED, To approve the financial plan for an addition to the German
Health Food Factory, Lueneburg, Germany. The details are on file with
the minutes of the Borrowing of Funds and Building Finance Committee
minutes.

ITC/GCC to AL

VOTED, To approve the following interdivision travel:

AUTHORIZATIONS

ADRA

Drachenberg, Robert R Euro-Afr Div, May 12-17, 1985

Jenson, William H Afr-Ind Ocean Div, May 1-31, 1985

Ochoa, Mario G Afr-Ind Ocean Div, May 5-31, 1985

Health/Temperance

Pelton, Raymond L Afr-Ind Ocean Div, Feb 23-Mar 28, 1985. Previous to EAD visit Mar 29-April 27, 1985, already voted

Pub Affairs/Rel Liberty

Hegstad, Roland R Int-Amer Div, North Caribbean Conference, Feb 14-18, 1985

Tyner, Mitchell A Int-Amer Div, North Caribbean Conference, Feb 14-18, 1985

Publishing

Ramirez, Louis A So Afr & So Unions, Mar 22-31, 1985

World Foods

Fehlberg, Eric C So Amer Div, Feb 28-Mar 19, 1985

SPECIALS (Non General Conference workers)

Australasian Division

Woolley, David D So Afr & So Unions, Mar 22-31, 1985

Eastern Africa Division

Currie, H Carl Far East Div, Hong Kong, Mar 2-10, 1985. Expenses by Eastern Asia Committee.

North American Division

Rainey, George Afr-Ind Ocean Div, during 1985, dates to be arranged. Expenses by Africa-Indian Ocean Division.

Yeagley, Lawrence R Far East Div, May 8-June 9, 1986. Expenses by Far Eastern Division.

Northern European Division

Schantz, Borge No Amer Div, Andrews Univ, Mar 27-Apr 28, 1985. Expenses by Andrews University.

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PER/GCC to GHC-RetirePlan

WUERSTLIN, DANIEL--RETIREMENT

RECOMMENDED, To approve NAD Retirement Plan disability benefits for Daniel Wuerstlin of the General Conference staff (Insurance-West) after 18.74 years of service, retroactive to November 1, 1984.

Adjourned

C E Bradford, Chairman
J W Bothe, Secretary
Martha Horn, Recording Secretary