

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 7, 1987, 10:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Calvin B Rock (Ch), Samuel Young (Sec), Elvin Adams, M J Allen, R E Appenzeller, K H Bahr, M T Bascom, B B Beach, G J Bertochini, W Floyd Bresee, W T Clark, D E Crane, Eric Fehlberg, Karen Flowers, R M Flowers, V S Griffiths, J H Harris, Tulio R Haylock, W G Johnsson, F L Jones, G E Knowles, H L Lee, Israel Leito, C D Martin, R L McKee, S D Meyers, T R Neslund, J David Newman, Enoch Oliveira, R W Olson, R E Osborn, G R Ramsey, Leo Ranzolin, Gary M Ross, A C Segovia, P G Smith, E H J Steed, Gary B Swanson, C R Taylor, A S Whiting, M K Widmer, J F Wilkens, K H Wood.

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE

Calvin B Rock, Chairman, read Acts 2:44-47 as his text and remarked that he had never seen the experience recorded in these verses so nearly mirrored as they were in England. He and his wife visited London for four weeks during the concentrated evangelistic endeavor known as "Harvest London".

"Harvest London" embraces six different meetings in London held by Mark Finley, Jan Paulsen and other members of the Trans-European Division staff. This evangelistic undertaking marked the beginning of spiritual renewal for the churches. The work of the Holy Spirit is being evidenced in the administration of the Division, union and local field.

In assessing the evangelistic work in London, one must remember it is not a mission field where people are waiting to be gathered in. The Spirit had to deal with certain attitudes among the church members. The results are most gratifying. To date, 97 have been baptized. On May 17 there will be another baptism and it is anticipated that 10-15 more will join the church at that time.

James H Harris offered prayer.

INTRODUCTIONS

John F Wilkens introduced De-Anne Smit, a second generation missionary. She has just graduated from Southwestern Adventist College (Texas) with a degree in addition to her training as a nurse. She hopes to work in Thailand.

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REPORTS

Leo Ranzolin told of the Week of Prayer he conducted at Montemorelos University (Mexico) recently. During the week he preached 24 sermons, gave 11 talks, and conducted 65 interviews. At the University there are 900 students at the academy level, 1,211 attending the university, and 191 studying medicine. There are 90 teachers and 150 employees to care for these students. Elder Ranzolin introduced the Book of Prayer in which prayer requests are listed and on opposite pages, the answers received.

In the past not many Mexican workers were sent overseas but at present there is one in Bolivia, one in Brazil and another in Uruguay. Leo Ranzolin challenged the students to give their lives to God for service at home or abroad.

C D Martin gave an account of his itinerary with C E Bracebridge in the Far Eastern Division. Their work began in Manila where they arrived in time to attend the triple funeral of N R Arit, T V Barizo, and the van driver who were killed in an accident. The loss was felt throughout the Philippines as well as by friends of the deceased in other parts of the world. Elders Martin and Bracebridge visited chaplains in Hong Kong, Okinawa, Japan, Korea and Guam. Some servicemen who have been working for others over the past 1 1/2 years are responsible for the baptism of ten persons. They used the Revelation Seminar approach.

Malcolm J Allen related an interesting story from the Colombia-Venezuela Camporee. A winsome child of 8 years preaches regularly in her home church in the Andes as well as to the villagers where she lives. When she was asked by Elder Allen to preach she requested a Bible and when that was in her hands she asked, "What text would you like me to preach from?" To date 35 people have been baptized as a result of her preaching.

MINUTES of the meeting held April 30, 1987 were approved.

CA/GCC to SEC

COMMITTEE ON APPOINTEES

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

Appointments

Anholm, John M (Loma Linda, Calif)--Orthodontist, Zimbabwe,
Eastern Africa Division
Casper, Dennis W (Takoma Park, Maryland)--Business Manager, Gitwe
College, Rwanda, Africa-Indian Ocean Division
Hatcher, Dock C (So Atl Conf)--Ministerial director and
evangelist, Sierra Leone Mission, Africa-Indian Ocean
Division
Runge, Pamela (Takoma Park, Maryland)--Dental Hygienist, Yaounde
Dental Clinic, Cameroun, Africa-Indian Ocean Division

Calls and Transfers Between Divisions

Aranze, R (Far E Div)--Teacher, Spicer Memorial College, India,
Southern Asia Division, national returning
De Meo, Giuseppe (Euro-Afr Div)--Pastor, Italian church, Greater
Sydney Conference, Australia, South Pacific Division
Keyn, Terje (Tr-European Div)--Relief physician, SDA Health
Center, Blantyre, Malawi, Eastern Africa Division, Special
Service basis, 3 months
Nikkels, Johannes G (Transfer after furlough from SAD to IAD)--
Reassigned from Costa Rica to Panama Conference as
coordinator for work in Chiriqui, Inter-American Division
Pastor (Far E Div)--Korean church, Sao Paulo, Brazil, South
American Division
Thomas, Donald H (SAU)--Business manager, Newbold College,
England, Trans-European Division, national returning,
effective January 1988

Releases

Kraft, Edwin C from call to Scheer Memorial Hosp, Nepal, Southern
Asia Division; declined
Wako, Solomon (Kearney, Nebraska) from call to South Ethiopian
Field, Eastern Africa Division, national returning; declined

Permanent Returns

Fernando, Felicitto M from Mugonero Hosp, Rwanda, Africa-Indian
Ocean Division; personal, effective May 1987
Ford, Robert Elden, Sr from Adv Trg School of El Salvador, Inter-
American Division; retirement, effective April 1987
Keyes, John Garfield from SE Asia Union College, Singapore, Far
Eastern Division; assignment completed, effective June 1987
Kitney, R Royce from Eastern Africa Division to South African
Union Conference; education, effective February 1987
Thomas, Donald H from Southern Publishing Assn, Cape Town, South
African Union Conference to Trans-European Division,
responding to call to serve as business manager, Newbold
College; effective January 1988.

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GCC to SY

THOMAS, DONALD H--APPRECIATION

VOTED, To express appreciation to Donald H Thomas for approximately 36 years of service in Africa in various capacities and, currently, as general manager of the Southern Publishing Association in Cape Town.

ADCOM/GCC to EO

INTERDIVISION TRAVEL

VOTED, To approve the following interdivision travel:

AUTHORIZATIONS

1. General Conference Personnel

Officers and General Field Secretaries to Year-end Meetings

AFRICA-INDIAN OCEAN DIVISION

Robinson, Donald E
Woodfork, Robert L

EASTERN AFRICA DIVISION

Bediako, Matthew A
Oliveira, Enoch

EURO-AFRICA DIVISION

Kloosterhuis, Robert J
Watson, Charles D

FAR EASTERN DIVISION

Murrill, William L
Thomas, Fred G
Wilson, Neal C

INTER-AMERICAN DIVISION

Coe, Wallace O
Gilbert, Donald F
Ranzolin, Leo

SOUTH AMERICAN DIVISION

Mittleider, Kenneth J

SOUTH PACIFIC DIVISION

Jones, Frank L
Young, Samuel

SOUTHERN ASIA DIVISION

Osborn Robert E
Thompson, G Ralph

TRANS-EUROPEAN DIVISION

Gilbert, Donald F
Murrill, William L
Rock, Calvin B

MIDDLE EAST UNION

Osborn, Robert E
Thompson, G Ralph

SOUTH AFRICA UNION

Clark, Winston T
Robinson, Donald E

SOUTHERN UNION MISSION

Clark, Winston T
Robinson, Donald E

ADRA

Jenson, William H

Middle East Union, May 18-23,
1987
Eastern Africa Div, Kenya, May
24-29, 1987
Africa-Indian Ocean Div,
May 31-June 11, 1987. Expenses
will be paid from grant funds.

CHURCH MINISTRIES

Allen, Malcolm J

Eastern Africa Div, Zambezi,
Dec 8-14, 1987
South Africa Union, Dec 15-19,
1987
Southern Union Miss, Dec 19-29,
1987

EDUCATION

Madgwick, Gordon

Trans-European Div, England,
May 22-27, 1987

2. Non-General Conference Personnel

ADVENTIST MEDIA CENTER

Hernandez, Oscar

Inter-American Div, May 7-17,
1987. Travel and entertainment
by Costa Rica Secondary School.

Peaverini, Milton
Heralds Quartet

Inter-American Div, Puerto
Rico, May 22-24, 1987
Expenses by East Puerto Rico
Conference.

ANDREWS UNIVERSITY

Bacciocchi, Samuel

Trans-European Div, Iceland
Conference, July 29-Aug 3, 1987
Travel and entertainment by
Iceland Conference.

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LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY

Andreasen, N E
Yacoub, Ignatius

Far Eastern Div, July 5-21,
1987 to teach at Hong Kong
Adventist College. Travel and
entertainment by Hong Kong
Adventist College.

CANCELLATIONS

PRESIDENTIAL

Oliveira, Enoch

Euro-Africa Div, May 29-
June 23, 1987.

ADCOM/GCC/ADCOM/GCC to RLD

MARTINEZ, ELOY--LEAVE OF ABSENCE

In harmony with the provisions of NAD D 30 90,

VOTED, To grant Eloy Martinez a leave of absence for up to one
year effective May 1, 1987 with the following allowances and
conditions:

1. Full salary for three months.
2. Regular coverage under the Health-care Assistance policy for
a period of up to one year while nondenominationally employed.
3. No commitment to rehire him after his temporary leave from
denominational employment.

ADCOM/GCC/ADCOM/GCC to RLD

MARTINEZ, ELOY--RESIGNATION ACCEPTED

On his request,

VOTED, To accept the resignation of Eloy Martinez, Associate in
the Office of Human Relations, effective May 1, 1987.

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GCC to NCW

OFFICE OF HUMAN RELATIONS AND NORTH AMERICAN
MISSIONS--STUDY OF RELATIONSHIP

VOTED, To recommend to the General Conference and North American Division Presidents that they give study to the relationship between the Office of Human Relations and North American Missions.

ADCOM/GCC to RLD

SYME, DAVID R--FURLOUGH

VOTED, To approve a regular three-month furlough for David R Syme to Australia, South Pacific Division, from June 9 to September 9, 1987.

ADCOM/GCC to RLD

GENERAL CALLS

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

Minty, Richard (Chesapeake Conference)--Accountant, General
Conference Retirement Office
Ravenell, Bobby (Hadley Memorial Hospital)--Clerk, General
Conference Plant Services

GCO/ADCOM/GCC to RLD

INTERNATIONAL ADVENTIST HEALTH-CARE COUNCIL (GCC-S)--
AUTHORIZED MEETING

VOTED, To authorize and schedule the International Adventist Health-Care Council (GCC-S) to meet in Washington, DC on Thursday, September 24, 1987 just prior to the 1987 Annual Council.

GCO/ADCOM/GCC to FGT

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE (GCC-S)--
MEMBERSHIP ADJUSTMENT

VOTED, To adjust the membership of the Women's Ministries Advisory Committee (GCC-S) as follows:

Add Bresee, Ellen
Haylock, Raquel
Singh, Hepsiba S (Review and Herald)
Watts, Kit

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Delete Fay, Jocelyn
 Spangler, Marie

SpProph/GCC to SY

SPIRIT OF PROPHECY BOOK SUBSIDIES

VOTED, To grant the following requests for subsidies for the printing of Spirit of Prophecy books:

	<u>Language</u>	<u>Pages</u>	<u>Copies</u>	<u>Subsidy</u>
<u>Trans-European Division</u>				
<u>Thoughts from the Mount of Blessing</u>	Hungarian	152	10,000	\$1,216.00
<u>Steps to Christ</u>	Hungarian	126	10,000	<u>1,000.00</u>
			Total	\$2,216.00

Adjourned

Calvin B Rock, Chairman
Samuel Young, Secretary
Martha Horn, Recording Secretary

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MEMBERS PRESENT

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DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE

Wallace O Coe spoke on the subject of trust. It is better to trust everybody than to trust nobody; better to be considered naive than suspicious of everyone. It is more harmful to misunderstand our friends than to be deceived by them.

The speaker called attention to Steps to Christ, pp 121,122, a portion of which follows:

"If we keep uppermost in our minds the unkind and unjust acts of others we shall find it impossible to love them as Christ has loved us; . . . We should love and respect one another, notwithstanding the faults and imperfections that we cannot help seeing. Humility and self-distrust should be cultivated, and a patient tenderness with the faults of others. . . .

"Some are always fearing, and borrowing trouble. Every day they are surrounded with the tokens of God's love; every day they are enjoying the bounties of His providence; but they overlook these present blessings. . . . The difficulties they encounter, instead of driving them to God, the only source of their help, separate them from Him because they awaken unrest and repining. . . ."

He concluded with the thought that God is leading us on to victory and we can safely trust Him as we face difficult decisions.

Samuel D Meyers offered prayer.

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INTRODUCTIONS

Leo Ranzolin introduced Elder and Mrs R M Rabello. For 43 years Elder Rabello has been the speaker for the Brazil Voice of Prophecy. Although retired he is still active in the Voice of Prophecy, having served the Church for 55 years.

Leo Ranzolin also presented Vilmar Gonzalez, pastor of the Brazilian church in Takoma Park, Maryland.

REPORTS

Paul A Gordon gave a brief report of the official opening of the new nursing facility at Shady Grove Adventist Hospital. His wife is the administrator of this fine new institution. While there he enjoyed a cordial visit with Sydney Kramer, Chief Executive of Montgomery County.

A week ago, P A Gordon and others were preparing the home of William Miller for the summer. In an attic he found some old barrels one of which contained about 400-500 documents in the handwriting of William Miller. These papers were written by William Miller when he served as a justice of the peace (1817-1833).

Delmer W Holbrook reported on his attendance at the recent convocation for retired workers at Collegedale, Tennessee, where 1,150 retirees were present. Wayne Hooper led the singing which was excellent. Holbrook reported that the retirees enjoy a strong faith in the Lord and confidence in the Church and its leadership.

Winston T Clark read a telex from the president of the Inter-American Division which reported the largest number of baptism for a quarter in its history. Baptisms for the first quarter of 1987 totalled 30,808 which brings the Division membership to 979,018. The Inter-American Division is well on its way to reaching its goal of one million members by June 30, 1987.

Leo S Ranzolin passed on information received from Mario Veloso, Secretary of the South American Division, that two thousand Revelation Seminars were held in Chile with a total attendance of 20,000. These Seminars are being held throughout the Division.

MINUTES of the meeting held May 7, 1987 were approved.

WHT/GCC to SY

WHITE, ARTHUR L--APPRECIATION FOR SERVICE

On June 30, 1987, Arthur L White will complete 58 consecutive years (1929-1987) as an employee of the Ellen G White Estate, and will sever his official connection with that organization. Since his official retirement in 1978 as Secretary of the Estate, White has written the six-volume biography of his grandmother. With that monumental task completed, White is now able to relax and enjoy retirement. His accomplishments will, however, continue to bless the Church until the Lord comes.

VOTED, To express heartfelt thanks and appreciation from the General Conference Committee to Elder and Mrs Arthur L White for their lifetime of dedicated and unselfish labor, and to wish them every blessing from the Lord as they enjoy their sunset years together in St Helena, California.

TED/GCC to MTB

POHJOLA, PEKKA T--RESIGNATION, APPRECIATION FOR SERVICE

VOTED, 1. To accept the resignation of Pekka T Pohjola because of his wife's health condition, effective July 31, 1987.

2. To express appreciation to Elder Pohjola for his service as Secretary of the Trans-European Division since the 1985 General Conference Session.

TED/GCO/GCC to MTB

VAN OOSSANEN, KAREL C--SECRETARY, TRANS-EUROPEAN
DIVISION

The Trans-European Division has placed in nomination the name of Karel C van Oossanen to serve as Secretary of the Division, replacing Pekka T Pohjola.

VOTED, To elect Karel C van Oossanen, currently serving as President of the Netherlands Union Conference, to serve as Secretary of the Trans-European Division, effective August 1, 1987.

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CA/GCC to SEC

COMMITTEE ON APPOINTEES

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

Appointments

Cantu, Carol (Pine Forge, Pennsylvania)--Girls' Dean, Maxwell Adv Academy, Kenya, Eastern Africa Division
Church, Lowell G (Salinas, Calif)--Reassigned from Zaire Union as assistant treasurer to Adv University of Central Africa, Rwanda, as treasurer.
Herold, Andrew (Froid, Montana)--Maintenance supervisor, Yuka Hospital & Lepr, Zambia, Eastern Africa Division
Sigsworth, Dean D (Harrah, Oklahoma)--Math & physics teacher, Univ of Eastern Africa, Kenya, Eastern Africa Division

Calls and Transfers Between Divisions

Araujo, Ramon (Int-Amer Div)--Theology teacher, Northeast Brazil College, South American Division
Craig, Winston C (Sunderland, Mass)--Science teacher, Avondale College, Australia, South Pacific Division, national returning
Sundquist, J Paul (Trans-Eur Div)--Evangelist, South Pacific Division, Special Service basis, 6 weeks, Sept 23-Oct 30, 1987

Releases

Cancel open request of Middle East Union to Trans-European Division for financial supervisor, ADRA Sudan, White Nile Relief & Rehabilitation Team, Special Service basis; call withdrawn by Middle East Union
Cancel open request of Middle East Union to Trans-European Division for maintenance supervisor, ADRA Sudan, Special Service basis; call withdrawn by Middle East Union
Edwards, Hedrick J (Int-Amer Div) from call to Northeast Brazil College, South American Division; call withheld

Permanent Returns

Chant, Carl V (son of Victor Chant, Anderson School, Zimbabwe) from Eastern Africa Division; education, effective May 1987
Leatherman, Donn W from Egypt Field, Middle East Union--Change effective date from April 1987 to August 1987.

ADCOM/GCC to EO

INTERDIVISION TRAVEL

VOTED, To approve the following interdivision travel:

AUTHORIZATIONS

General Conference Personnel

ADRA

Alexandre, Marie D	Afr-Ind Ocean Div, Ghana, May 20-June 4, 1987. Expenses by Nutrition Enhancement Grant.
Lumbantobing, Sharon	Eastern Afr Div, Kenya, Zimbabwe, May 12-June 2, 1987. Expenses from grant funds.
Fulfer, Olive	Afr-Ind Ocean Div, Ghana, May 20-June 7, 1987. Expenses by Nutrition Enhancement Grant.

COMMUNICATION

Haylock, Tulio R	Euro-Afr Div, Germany, Portugal, Italy, June 25-July 10, 1987
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Coe, Wallace O	Euro-Afr Div, Germany, Portugal, Italy, June 25-July 10, 1987
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PUBLISHING

Henning, Rudi H	So Amer Div, Sept 4-5 weeks in 1989
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Non-General Conference Personnel

NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION

Gessele, Todd	Far Eastern Div, May 10-20, 1987. Expenses by Oregon Conference.
Worl, Amy	Far Eastern Div, May 10-20, 1987. Expenses by Oregon Conference
Eisman, Pat	Far Eastern Div, May 10-20, 1987. Expenses shared between Oregon Conference and Far Eastern Division.

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REVIEW AND HERALD

Otis, Harold F Jr

Euro-Afr Div, Germany, Oct 7-10,
1987. Expenses by Review and
Herald.

SOUTH PACIFIC DIVISION

Knopper, J T

Euro-Afr Div, Germany, Oct 7-10, 1
1987, in connection with furlough.
Expenses from his travel budget.

ADJUSTMENTS

COMMUNICATION

Nixon, Robert W

So Pacific Div, Aug 1-13 instead of
Aug 1-24, 1987 as previously voted

CANCELLATIONS

Carmen, Eldon E

So Pacific Div, July 1987

PER/GCC to GHC-RetirePlan

APPEL, ALVA R--RETIREMENT

RECOMMENDED, To place Alva R Appel on the NAD Retirement Plan
following 42.41 years of denominational service, effective May 1, 1987.

GCC to SY

APPEL, ALVA R--APPRECIATION FOR SERVICE

VOTED, To express appreciation to Alva R Appel for over 42 years
of denominational service. He began his work in the Central California
Conference in 1944, and served overseas for twelve years. From 1980 to
1985 he served as director of Trust Services in the General Conference.

CAA/GCC to GHC-RetirePlan

FORD, ROBERT E--RETIREMENT

RECOMMENDED, To place Robert Elden Ford on the NAD Retirement Plan
following 43.71 years of denominational service in the Central American

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Union, beginning July 1, 1987. (Appreciation for his service was voted at the time of his permanent return, October 24, 1985, GCC 85-469.)

Adjourned

Wallace O Coe, Chairman
Samuel Young, Secretary
Martha Horn, Recording Secretary

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 21, 1987, 9:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Enoch Oliveira (Ch), Samuel Young (Sec), Elvin Adams, G H Akers, M J Allen, G P Babcock, Karl H Bahr, M T Bascom, M A Bediako, G J Bertochini, C D Brooks, Shirley Burton, G Tom Carter, W T Clark, V H Cooper, Helen C Craig, G H Crumley, R L Dale, G O Engen, Karen Flowers, C O Frederick, Erwin Gane, D F Gilbert, J H Harris, Tulio R Haylock, R R Hegstad, H L Lee, N O Matthews, R L McKee, S D Meyers S F Monnier, R E Osborn, S H Parker, Elbio Pereyra, Stoy E Proctor, G R Ramsey, Leo Ranzolin, G W Reid, G E Rice, Gary M Ross, D A Roth, A C Segovia, William H Shea, P G Smith, J R Spangler, E H J Steed, Elizabeth A Sterndale, Michael Stevenson, Iris H Stober, C R Taylor, Wyman Wager, R S Watts Jr, F W Wernick, A S Whiting, M K Widmer, J F Wilkens, D S Williams, Neal C Wilson, K H Wood, R L Woodfork.

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE

George P Babcock offered prayer, making special requests for comfort to the families of Oliver W Lange and Sunny Liu. Oliver W Lange served in the Southern Asia Division for 43 years, then returned for another two years as an SOS worker. He passed to his rest on May 19. Sunny Liu, prominent singing evangelist, passed away May 20, 1987.

Enoch Oliveira commented on Romans 8, his favorite chapter of the Bible which tells the comfort of no condemnation, no accusation, no separation, and no defeat to those who are in Christ.

"We are assured and know that (God being a partner in their labor), all things work together and are (fitting into a plan) for good to those who love God and are called according to (His) design and purpose." (The Amplified Bible)

Paul was a man of conviction--"We are assured and know." Leaders of the Church today must be convinced of God's overruling providence that works for the good of His children. No sorrow, disappointment or agony leaves us just as we were. They drive us from God (Judas) or they draw us closer to Him (Peter). Although difficult situations experienced individually seem to work only grief, it is all things working "together" that show God's wonderful design in our lives. The Church faces difficulties but all these apparent hindrances will result in good for the Church. We must trust in God rather than in material things.

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MINUTES of the meeting held May 14, 1987 were approved.

AMC/GCO/GCC to DFG

ADVENTIST MEDIA CENTER OUTREACH SURVEYS--
APPROPRIATION

A select committee set up from the Adventist Media Center Study Commission has been requested to develop an outreach plan for the Adventist Media Center which is expected to be finished by August 1987. In order to finalize this plan, it is necessary to include surveys of ministers regarding coordinating the work of the Media with the total Church outreach and audience reaction to programs.

VOTED, To approve an appropriation of up to \$41,000 to cover expenses for the Adventist Media Center outreach surveys.

GCO/GCC to NCW

GLOBAL STRATEGY COORDINATING COMMITTEE (GCC-S)--
APPOINTMENT, MEETING

VOTED, 1. To appoint a Global Strategy Coordinating Committee (GCC-S) as follows:

TERMS OF REFERENCE

- a. Prepare a working agenda for the world divisions.
- b. Outline the process to be used, culminating in a strategy document.
- c. Coordinate the ongoing process.
- d. Evaluate recommendations from divisions.
- e. Monitor the progress.

MEMBERS

Wilson, Neal C (Chairman)
Kloosterhuis, R J (Vice Chairman)
Taylor, C R (Secretary)

Aeschlimann, C E
Banks, Rosa
Bediako, M A
Brooks, C D
Charles, Vijayan
Felder, Henry
Folkenberg, R L
Johnsson, Terry

McBride, Duane
Newman, J David
Oosterwal, Gottfried
Rasi, Humberto
Patterson, Gary B
Watts, Kit
Wilkins, J F
Zirkle, Tom

Ex-officio members: Gilbert, D F; Thompson, G R

Consultants

Department heads (or designees)

GC Officers

Adzillah, Godsave
Bishai, Wilson
Clark, W T
Coon, Roger W
Elick, John W
Gordon, P A
Johnsson, Noelene
Johnsson, W G
Keough, Arthur
Londis, James
Maier, Rudi

Marter, Nancy
Moyer, Bruce
Ramsey, George R
Reid, George W
Spangler, J R
Schmitt, Alta
Staples, Russell
Thomann, D J
Wernick, F W
Yost, F D

Division Global Strategy Planners

AID: Adekunle Alalade, Pheneas Bahimba, Roger Couty, Luka Daniel, Kofi Owuso Mensa, Emelia Rasamuely

EAD: Gershom Amayo, M L Golola, Joel Musvosvi, T H Nkungula

EUD: John Graz, Baldur Pfeiffer, Oldrich Sladek

FED: Tom Becraft, Don Christensen/P M Diaz, P D Chun, Clif Maberly, Mike Ryan, Bahasa Soemarna, James H Zachary

IAD: Jaime Castrejon, Sylvan Lashley, Angel M Rodriguez

NAD: R L Dale, Pedro Geli, Peggy Harris, K Netteberg, D K Sullivan, Owen A Troy

SAD: Roberto Azevedo, Henrique Berg, Amasias Justiniano, Mario Veloso

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SPD: D E Bain, G S Bradford, R E Clifford, R L Coombe,
M G Townend, A W White

SUD: Lowell Cooper, John Fowler, J Koilpillai

TED: Mark Finley, Mrs Erja Kuhalampi, Borge Schantz

Attached Unions (3): As appointed by the unions

Strategy Implementers

Division and attached organization committees, with advice from
division global strategy planners.

2. To authorize July 15-16, 1987 (Wednesday 9:00 am to Thursday
1:00 pm) as the date for the initial meeting of the Global Strategy
Coordinating Committee in Washington, DC.

GCO/GCC to NCW

"IS THERE FAITH IN GOD IN RUSSIA?"--JOINT PUBLICATION

As one result of the visit to the United States of Konstantin
Kharchev, First Chairman of the Council of Religious Affairs in the
Soviet Union, a magazine illustrating the lifestyle of Seventh-day
Adventists in America and in Russia was suggested. This 36-page
magazine, "Is There Faith in God in Russia?" would present a balanced
picture of Adventist family life in both countries, and a synopsis of
some of the more prominent features of our message. There will also be
a section stating the fundamental beliefs of the Seventh-day Adventist
Church, and a portion of the space will be devoted to combating
alcoholism and other features of the Seventh-day Adventist health
message.

VOTED, 1. To authorize the Treasury to make an appropriation of
\$30,000 to the Review and Herald Publishing Association for the
printing in Russian of "Is There Faith in God in Russia?"

2. To authorize the Treasury to purchase 6,000 copies of this
magazine in English for special use by the General Conference.

CA/GCC to SEC

COMMITTEE ON APPOINTEES

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

Appointments

Craik, James E (Walla Walla, Wash)--Industrial Arts teacher & maintenance manager, W Amazon Acad, Brazil, South American Division
Longway, Ina Madge Youngberg (Union College)--Nursing teacher, Adv International Institute for Advanced Studies, Philippines, Far Eastern Division--To record name change of institution
McGhee, Frederick Nelson (Cent Calif Conf)--Palau district leader, Caroline Islands, Far Eastern Division
Moores, Victor S (Nampa, Idaho)--Manager, Uganda Printing Plant, Eastern Africa Division
Peterson, Wesley D (Brooklyn Park, Minn)--Principal, Maxwell Adv Academy, Kenya, Eastern Africa Division
Scott, Dwight Gregory (Santa Rosa, Calif)--Program director, AWR-Asia, Guam, AWR-Asia & General Conference
Spaulding, Cameron (Albany, Oregon)--Industry manager, Titicaca Adv Academy, Peru, South American Division
Sykora, Dennis Richard (Cottonwood, Arizona)--To regularize Special Service assignment as dentist, Hong Kong Adv Hospital, Far Eastern Division
Vence, Elvin Robert (Altamonte Springs, Florida)--Asst Chief Engineer, AWR-Asia, Guam, AWR-Asia & General Conference

Calls and Transfers Between Divisions

Moss, Lynette Margaret (So Pac Div)--Office secretary, Bangkok Adv Hosp, Thailand, Far Eastern Division; to regularize Special Service assignment retroactive to Aug 25, 1985

Releases

Keyn, Terje (Trans-Eur Div) from Special Service, SDA Health Ctr, Malawi, Eastern Africa Division; call withheld
Sigsworth, Dean D from appt to Univ of Eastern Africa, Kenya, Eastern Africa Division; University filled call internally

Permanent Returns

Best, Beva Jeannine from Hong Kong Adventist Hosp, Far Eastern Division; family considerations, effective June 1987.

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INTERDIVISION TRAVEL

VOTED, To approve the following interdivision travel:

AUTHORIZATIONS

General Conference Personnel

ADRA

Buhler, Gordon	Eastern Afr Div, July 10-27, 1987. Expenses from grant funds
Gilkes, Lucia	Eastern Afr Div, May 20-June 8, 1987. Expenses from grant funds
Maier, Rudolf	Afr-Ind Ocean Div, May 31-June 18, 1987. Expenses from grant funds

CHURCH MINISTRIES

Allen, Malcolm J	So Asia Div, Aug 1-30, 1987
Stevenson, Michael H	Middle East Un, Nov 1-21, 1987

PUBLISHING

McKee, Richard L	Eastern Afr Div, Oct 4-12, 1987 So Amer Div, Oct 13-Nov 9, 1987
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RISK MANAGEMENT

Parker, Stanton H	Far Eastern & So Pacific Divisions, June 30-July 28, 1987
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Non-General Conference Personnel

AMAZING FACTS

Crews, Joe	Afr-Indian Ocean Div, Ghana, month of Nov 1987. Travel by Amazing Facts, entertainment by W Afr Union.
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ANDREWS UNIVERSITY

Holmes, Raymond

Far Eastern Div, month of May 1988.
Travel and entertainment by Asia Adv
Theological Seminary.

Streeter, Edward

Int-Amer Div, Bahamas, month of
August 1987, in connection with trip
to Panama already approved. Travel
and entertainment by Inter-American
Division.

Youngberg, John

Int-Amer Div, Jamaica, July 29-
Aug 4, 1987. Travel and
entertainment by West Jamaica
Conference.

EURO-AFRICA DIVISION

Lehmann, Dr & Mrs Richard

So Pacific Div, July 6-Aug 1, 1987.
Travel and entertainment by French
Polynesian Mission

GEOSCIENCE INSTITUTE

Coffin, Harold G

Far Eastern Div, Feb 15-Mar 4, 1988.
Expenses by Geoscience Research
Institute.

INTER-AMERICAN DIVISION

Brown, George W

So Pac Div, three weeks, Easter
1988. Travel and entertainment by
South Pacific Division.

MIDDLE EAST UNION

Caballero, Felipe

No Amer Div, Oct 1-6, 1987. Travel
and entertainment from Middle East
Affairs Committee funds.

NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION

Coy, L E

Far Eastern Div, Singapore, May 1-3,
1987. Expenses by AHS/Asia

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SOUTH AFRICA UNION

Haupt, Coenraad No Amer Div, Oct 1-6, 1987. Travel and entertainment by South Africa Affairs Committee funds.

TRANS-EUROPEAN DIVISION

Arthur, John Middle East Un, time to be arranged. Expenses from grant funds.

Paulsen, Jan So Pac Div, month of January 1988. Travel and entertainment by South Pacific Division.

ADCOM/GCC to RLD-GCO

GENERAL CALLS

VOTED, To refer to the General Conference Officers, the list of calls for employees of General Conference Risk Management Services, Loma Linda, to transfer to the Risk Management Office of Adventist Health System/Loma Linda.

GCO/GCC to KJM

ADRA IN PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA - REPORT

R S Watts, Jr, Director of Adventist Development and Relief Agency, who recently visited the People's Republic of China, gave an overview of the present status of ADRA in that country. Adventist medical work is known in China through the work of Loma Linda University, Kettering Medical Center and other denominational medical institutions in the United States. The government has investigated the work of various humanitarian agencies and has chosen to work with the Adventist Development and Relief Agency. ADRA has not made any definite commitments but the China International Center for Economical and Technical Exchanges has agreed to facilitate the work of ADRA in the People's Republic of China. Guidelines have been established governing the proposed work of ADRA in that country.

GCC/GCC/GCC/GCC to DFG

GENERAL CONFERENCE HEADQUARTERS

D F Gilbert, Treasurer, reported on the progress being made in the construction of the new headquarters office. The basic blueprint,

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which covers 298,000 square feet, has been approved. This week attention will be given to the exterior of the building--color, brick design, etc. In an effort to remain within budgetary limits, only two elevators will be installed instead of four. The dining room will be reduced by 1,000 square feet; however, it will still be larger than the present facility. The County is considering an off ramp from Route 29 to Old Columbia Pike which will pass through the proposed Park and Ride parking lot. If an on ramp is also provided the General Conference will not have the expense of providing the parking lot.

It is anticipated that the building contract will be finally approved in July when the steel engineering design work should be done. Ground breaking ceremonies are scheduled for September 1, 1987.

Adjourned

Enoch Oliveira, Chairman
Samuel Young, Secretary
Martha Horn, Recording Secretary

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 28, 1987, 10:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

R J Kloosterhuis (Ch), Samuel Young (Sec), M J Allen, Karl H Bahr, W S Banfield, M T Bascom, B B Beach, M A Bediako, G J Bertochini, C E Bradford, E E Carman, G Tom Carter, W O Coe, V H Cooper, D E Crane, G H Crumley, R L Dale, G O Engen, Karen Flowers, R M Flowers, D F Gilbert, R B Grady, J H Harris, Tulio R Haylock, D W Holbrook, Warren L Johns, W G Johnsson, F L Jones, H L Lee, Israel Leito, S D Meyers, K J Mittleider, S F Monnier, W L Murrill, T R Neslund, R E Osborn, S H Parker, G B Patterson, R L Pelton, Stoy E Proctor, Leo Ranzolin, G E Rice, C B Rock, Gary M Ross, D A Roth, A C Segovia, William Shea, P G Smith, E H J Steed, Elizabeth A Sterndale, Michael Stevenson, Iris H Stober, Gary B Swanson, C R Taylor, G Ralph Thompson, O A Troy, M A Tyner, Wyman Wager, R S Watts Jr, F W Wernick, M K Widmer, D S Williams, K H Wood, F Donald Yost.

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE

R J Kloosterhuis read as his text, Ephesians 3:14-21, a portion of which follows:

". . . I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge--that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. . . ." (NIV)

The speaker then read excerpts from Selected Messages, Book 2, pages 399-407, exhorting members to have courage and faith in the Lord.

". . . We are to stand firm as a rock to the principles of the Word of God, remembering that God is with us to give us strength to meet each new experience. . . . We are to cherish as very precious the work that the Lord has been carrying forward through His commandment-keeping people, and which, through the power of His grace, will grow stronger and more efficient as time advances. . . ."--SM, Bk 2, p 407.

In closing, the Chairman called for renewed consecration to God.

A C Segovia offered prayer.

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INTRODUCTIONS

Leo Ranzolin presented Elder and Mrs M S Nigri to the Committee. Now retired, Elder Nigri was a member of the General Conference Committee from 1952 (when he was a union president in South America) to 1985. He was elected a vice-president of the General Conference at the 1970 General Conference Session.

REPORTS

D A Delafield gave a report of the Sixth Annual Convocation of Retired Workers of North America which was held at Southern College, Collegedale, Tennessee, May 7-12, 1987. Registration figures reached 1,140 although 1,500 to 1,600 attended the meetings. The gathering fostered spiritual life, healthful recreation and warm fellowship. At the banquet an offering of over \$3,500 was received for the van ministry in New York, the La Vida Mission in New Mexico, ADRA, and the reconstruction of the Sutherland home in Berrien Springs, Michigan.

The Convocation voted an affirmation of solidarity. The closing paragraph reads as follows: "The need for solidarity and loyalty in doctrine and organization is a paramount need of the Seventh-day Adventist Church today. The retired workers assembled here at historic Southern College reaffirm our stand for the great truths of the Third Angel's Message and the remnant church called by God to proclaim His final message to all of the world."

Victor H Cooper recently conducted a communicator's course for Christian leaders in the Southern Asia Division after which he had opportunity to visit Nepal. Members of the ruling family have requested ADRA to make provision for improving the lot of 1,000 lepers in the country. The Seventh-day Adventist Church is also being requested to operate a middle school. The Southern Asia Division has been asked to present a plan in the next three months for conducting such a school. Government agencies are also requesting the help of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in establishing communication among 32 outposts.

W G Johnsson reported briefly on the annual meeting of the Associated Church Press which was recently held in San Antonio, Texas. Seventh-day Adventist publications were entered and of the 44 awards given, 11 were for Adventist magazines, distributed as follows: 4 to Signs of the Times, 3 to Vibrant Life, 2 to Liberty, 1 to Insight and 1 to Adventist Review.

MINUTES of the meeting held May 21, 1987 were approved.

CA/GCC to SEC

COMMITTEE ON APPOINTEES

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

Appointments

Blythe, Donald Richard (Indiana Conf)--District leader, Marshall Islands, Far Eastern Division
Shim, Chung-Phing (Christian Record)--Teacher, Hong Kong Adventist College, Far Eastern Division, national returning on special arrangement (Z 25 65)

Calls and Transfers Between Divisions

Robertson, D (Trans-European Div)--Field worker, Greater Sydney Conference, South Pacific Division, national returning
Rodriguez, Angel (Inter-Amer Div)--Theology professor, River Plate College, Argentina, South American Division

Permanent Returns

Choi, Hyung Bok from Korean Church, Sao Paulo, Brazil, South American Division to Far Eastern Division; personal, effective June 1987
Fernando, Felicito--Change effective date from May 1987 to April 1987 (voted May 7/87)
Merckx, Rudi from Bere Hosp, Moundou, Chad, Africa-Indian Ocean Division to Euro-Africa Division; education, effective June 1987

TRE/GCC to WLM

EXCHANGE RATES

VOTED, To approve the following adjustments to fixed rates of exchange, effective June 1, 1987:

<u>Division/Union</u>	<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Local Currency Units Per US \$</u>	<u>US \$ Per Local Currency Units</u>
Africa-Indian Ocean	CFA	305.00	.003279
Euro-Africa			
France	Ffr	6.10	.163934
Switzerland	Sfr	1.50	.666667
Middle East Union			
Cyprus	CY L	.475000	2.10

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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>
South American Brazil	Cz\$	37.00	.027027
Southern Asia India	Rs	12.60	.079365
South Pacific Australia	\$A	1.41	.709220

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GENERAL CONFERENCE HEADQUARTERS

D F Gilbert reported that activities in connection with the headquarters office are on schedule. As part of the site preparation the following sign will be installed as soon as possible:

"Seventh-day Adventist Church
World Headquarters"

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GC HEADQUARTERS RELOCATION AND BUILDING COMMITTEE--MEETING WITH GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

VOTED, To call a meeting of the General Conference Committee during which the interior arrangement of the new headquarters building shall be considered and at which the GC Headquarters Relocation and Building Committee shall be present. General Conference Committee concerns centered around open versus closed offices and proximity of offices to secretaries' work locations.

ADCOM/GCC to EO

INTERDIVISION TRAVEL

VOTED, To approve the following interdivision travel:

AUTHORIZATIONS

General Conference Personnel

ADRA

Tetz, Raymond D

So Pac Div, Aug 1-19, 1987

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Watts, Ralph S Jr	So Pac Div, Aug 1-19, 1987
BIBLICAL RESEARCH	
Reid, George W	So Amer Div, July 12-23, 1987
COMMUNICATION	
Brillhart, David	So Pac Div, Aug 1-19, 1987. Expenses by ADRA
MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION	
Spangler, J Robert	Int-Amer Div, South Caribbean Conference, Aug 25-28, 1987
PUBLIC AFFAIRS & REL LIBERTY	
Beach, B B	Far Eastern Div, Apr 8-29, 1988
PRESIDENTIAL	
Clark, Winston T	Middle East Un, Nov 1987
Wilson, Neal C	Afr-Ind Ocean Div, May 25-June 14, 1987
PSI	
Murray, Milton J	Int-Amer Div, San Salvador & Mexico, June 16-25, 1987. Expenses from non-denominational funds.
PUBLISHING	
Henning, Rudi H	Middle East Un, between May 27 and June 15, 1987. Will go from Germany where he is on furlough.
SECRETARIAT	
Young, Samuel	China, June 7-July 12, 1987
<u>Non-General Conference Personnel</u>	
ANDREWS UNIVERSITY	
Hasel, Gerhard F	China, June 8-16, 1987. Expenses by Andrews University.

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Strand, Kenneth

So Amer Div, July 12-23, 1987.
Travel by Andrews University,
entertainment by South American
Division.

EURO-AFRICA DIVISION

Pfeiffer, Baldur

USSR, Nov 9-19, 1987. Travel by
Archives Dept in Darmstadt and
church in USSR will pay all expenses
within the country.

NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION

Douglass, Herbert
(Weimar Institute)

Far Eastern Div, time to be arranged
in 1989. Travel and entertainment
by Far Eastern Division.

Harris, Ross and mother
lay persons,
(Arkansas-La Conf)

Far Eastern Div, May 15-June 5, 1988
to accompany R B Grady on itinerary
already voted. Travel and
entertainment by Far Eastern
Division.

Schlunt, Charles
(Pac Un College)

Int-Amer Div, June 20-Aug 15, 1987
Travel and entertainment and 8 weeks
salary by Inter-American Division.

TRANS-EUROPEAN DIVISION

Koot, T
Reith, J

Afr-Ind Ocean Div, June 15-30, 1987
Expenses from grant funds.

ADJUSTMENTS

ADRA

Buhler, Gordon

Afr-Ind Ocean Div, July 10-27, 1987
instead of Eastern Africa Division
as previously voted.

NAD/ADCOM/GCC to FGT

PATTERSON, GARY B--COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

VOTED, To assign Gary B Patterson to the following committees:

Administrative (GCC-S)

Adventist Information Ministries (NAD-S)
Adventist Information Ministry Steering (NAD-S), Chairman
Church Manual (GCC-S)
Finance (GCC-S)
General Conference Executive (GCC-S), Elective Member
General Conference Officers, Invitee
General Conference Session 1990 Physical Arrangements (GCC-S)
General Ministries (NAD-S)
Listen & Winner Marketing (NAD-S), Chairman
Materials Development and Marketing Executive (NAD-S),
Vice-Chairman
Ministerial Training Advisory (NAD-S)
Narcotics Education Incorporated (NAD-S)
North American Division (NADCOM)
North American Division Officers, Invitee
Personnel (GCC-S)
Specialized Ministries (NAD-S)

GCO/GCC to GRT

1987 ANNUAL COUNCIL INVITEES

VOTED, To invite the following to the 1987 Annual Council to be held October 6-15, 1987 in Washington, DC:

1. Members of the General Conference Committee:

Presidents of World Divisions
Secretaries of World Divisions
Union Presidents from World Divisions, as chosen by their
respective Divisions
GC Committee Members Resident in North America
USSR Representatives--M P Kulakov, N A Zhukaluk
President, Adventist Health System/US
Presidents of Attached Unions:
Middle East Union
South African Union Conference
Southern Union Mission

2. Other persons not members of the General Conference
Committee:

Secretaries, NAD Unions
Treasurers, NAD Unions
Presidents, NAD Local Conferences
Presidents, NAD Senior Colleges
Provost of Loma Linda University for La Sierra Campus
Dean, SDA Theological Seminary (Andrews University)
Executive Vice-President, Adventist Health System/Loma Linda
Presidents of NAD Adventist Health Systems

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AHS representatives as follows: (AHS to specify)
Associate Secretaries, NAD Unions
Regional Department Secretaries, NAD Unions
Vice-Presidents, NAD Unions
Pacific Union Conference Special Affairs Directors
Director, Associate Directors, and Area Directors of GC
Auditing Service
Eastern Asia Committee Director: H Carl Currie

ADCOM/GCO/GCC/GCO/GCC to RLD

GENERAL CALLS--GC RISK MANAGEMENT SERVICES,
LOMA LINDA

The General Conference Committee referred the general calls for employees of General Conference Risk Management Services, Loma Linda to join Adventist Health System/Loma Linda back to the Officers for further study. (See GCC 87-178.)

It was reported in recent discussions with the officers of Loma Linda University and the leaders of Adventist Health System/Loma Linda, that insurance rates would be cheaper if the University purchased insurance from AHS/LL.

G R Thompson pointed out that salaries have never been attached to general calls in the past. It would be unfair to place salary restrictions on calls from Adventist Health System/Loma Linda when no salary restrictions have been placed on previous calls from other Adventist health system organizations.

After considerable discussion, a secret ballot vote of the General Conference officers resulted in an 11 to 5 count in favor of deleting the following restrictive paragraph recommended by ADCOM from the action to call employees of the GC Risk Management Services, Loma Linda to Adventist Health System/Loma Linda:

"These calls are being passed with the understanding that the employees will remain on the denominational wage scale in accordance with the work for which they are called." (See ADCOM 87-93.)

VOTED, To pass on the following list of general calls for employees of GC Risk Management Services, Loma Linda, to join the Risk Management Office of Adventist Health System/Loma Linda without stipulating any remuneration restrictions or comparisons to AHL/LL wage scale. (R E Osborn requested that his negative vote be recorded as opposing the deletion of the ADCOM recommendation concerning the denominational wage scale.):

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Hubbard, Mark - Director
Cooper, Lester - P/T Clerk
Croft, Phyllis - Claims Supervisor
Davis, Angel - Claims Examiner
De La Vega, Larrie - Senior Accounting Clerk
Ewell, Valerie - P/T Clerk
Gaudet, Tina - Secretary
Irizarry, Diana - Claims Supervisor
Labar, Brenda - Claims Examiner
Lawson, Charlotte - Claims Supervisor
Miller, Claudia - Risk Management Assistant
Mohr, Shari - Claims Examiner
Nelton, Uta - Claims Examiner
Norman, Margaret - Claims Examiner
Primero, Mel Jean - Claims Examiner
Ratana, Susan - Claims Examiner
Reetz, Judy - Senior Accounting Clerk
Rogers, Kathleen - Secretary
Russell, William C - Casualty Claims Manager
Schnarr, Elizabeth - Claims Manager
Tepper, Dorothy - Receptionist

Adjourned

Robert J Kloosterhuis, Chairman
Samuel Young, Secretary
Martha Horn, Recording Secretary