

COMMITTEE ON ADVICE AND ASSISTANCE REPORT FOR THE PERIOD MAY – OCTOBER 2003

1. IAA Fund

1.1 Seminars for Leaders of the Actuarial Profession and Actuarial Educators

In addition to the meetings earlier this year in Lagos, Nigeria and Casablanca, Morocco, a most successful meeting for the Asia Pacific region was held in Manila, Philippines on 10 – 12 October 2003, attended by 75 delegates from 14 countries in the region. The detailed meeting report is available on the IAA website.

Further meetings are planned for Dubrovnik, Croatia on 22 – 24 April 2004, and in Panama later next year on dates still to be decided.

1.2 Finances

Contributions received for the year to date total CAD \$93,305. After expenditure of approximately CAD \$49,000 on the seminars in Lagos, Casablanca and Manila during the course of the year the balance remaining is approximately CAD \$92,750.

2. Actuaries Without Frontiers (AWF)

The creation of an IAA Section comprising the AWF is on the Council agenda for its Berlin meeting.

3. China Subcommittee

A strong delegation of seven members represented China at the IAA Fund Manila meeting in October, and participated actively in the proceedings.

The IAA has responded to the requests made by the Society of Actuaries of China and by CIRC, and the IAA was represented at the Fourth Congress of Chinese Actuaries held in Chengdu, China in September 2003 by Yves Guérard, who delivered the opening address.

The role of Chairperson of the China Subcommittee will pass from Catherine Prime to Kim Chung Chan with effect from 1 January 2004. Sincere thanks are due to Catherine for her important contribution to the progress achieved to date in the work of the China subcommittee over several years since its creation; I look forward to her continuing involvement in the work of the committee.

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