INTERNATIONAL FOLK MUSIC COUNCIL

FIRST MEETING OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

BASLE, SWITZERLAND, SEPTEMBER 13th to 18th, 1948.

The first meeting of the General Conference is being held in Basle at the invitation of the Société suisse des traditions populaires and the Fédération nationale des costumes et coutumes suisses.

The Conference sessions will be held at the Museum für Völkerkunde, Augustinergasse 2, and the Secretariat (during the period of the Conference only) will be at the Folklore Institute, Augustinergasse 19.

Copies of the preliminary agenda and provisional time-table are enclosed.

The official languages of the Conference will be French and English. Delegates who speak in languages other than French, English and German will be asked to provide their own interpreters.

Correspondents, who have not already done so, are asked to notify the Secretary as soon as possible if it is their intention to participate in the Conference.

Additional items for the agenda and nominations of officers and members of the Executive Board must reach the Secretary not later than June 15th.

The following retire, and offer themselves for re-election:-

Presi	ldent:	Dr. R. Vaughan Williams, C.M. (U.K.))
Vice-	Presidents:	Mr. P. Lorenzen, (Denmark)	
		Dr. A. Marinus, (Belgium)	
Hon.	Treasurer:	Mr. W. S. Gwynn Williams (U.K.)	
Hon.	Secretary:	Miss Maud Karpeles (U.K.)	

Senhor R. Almeida (Brazil)	M. P. Petridis (Greece)
M. N. Devcic (Yugoslavia)	Dr. O. M. Sandvik (Norway)
Dr. Duncan Emrich (U.S.A.)	Prof. A. Santos (Portugal)
	Prof. A. Adnan Saygun (Turkey)
Prof. L. Lajtha (Hungary)	Dr. K. P. Wachsmann (E. Africa)
Mlle. C. Marcel-Dubois (France)	Miss L. Witzig (Switzerland)

Delegates who wish to make a communication to the Conference are asked to send a short resume to reach the Secretary by June 15th. Correspondents are also invited to submit a short account of the main activities in folk dance and folk song which have been undertaken in their countries since January, 1947, together with a list of publications that have appeared since that date. The accounts, which should consist of not more than 500 words, and be written in English or French, will be summarised and distributed to the Conference members, and will, if possible, be published at a later date. The material should reach the Secretary not later than June 30th.

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Delegates who wish to have hotel accommodation booked on their behalf should fill in and forward the enclosed slip as soon as possible and in any case not later than August 10th. Owing to scarcity of accommodation, early booking is advisable.

All correspondence concerning the Conference should be sent to the Honorary Secretary at the address given below, with the exception of requests for the reservation of hotel accommodation, which should be sent to the address given on the enclosed slip.

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