

Dr D. E. Cartwright, Prospects for Physical Oceanography from Space

Dr J. Joseph and Dr M. R. Stevenson, Possible Uses of Remote Sensing Techniques in Fishery Research and Commercial Fisheries

Another paper of interest to oceanographers was

Dr G. A. Maul, Applications of ERTS Data to Oceanography and the Marine Environment

4.6 INTER-UNION COMMISSION ON GEODYNAMICS

SCOR has notified the Inter-Union Commission on Geodynamics that it looks on CMG as its point of contact with the Commission and does not believe there is any necessity for SCOR to nominate a separate representative.

4.7 SCOPE

Dr G. F. Humphrey agreed to serve as SCOR representative on SCOPE, replacing Professor W. S. Wooster who had expressed the wish to resign.

5.0 FUTURE MEETINGS

5.1 JOINT OCEANOGRAPHIC ASSEMBLY

A meeting of the steering committee was held with the chairman, Professor W. S. Wooster, presiding. The report of the meeting is given in Annex XI

It was agreed to accept the United Kingdom proposal that the Assembly be held in Edinburgh from 13 to 24 September 1976.

Mr D. P. D. Scott was invited to serve as chairman of the Logistics Committee and to convene a meeting prior to the IOC Assembly in November 1973.

5.2 SCOR/SCAR POLAR OCEANS CONFERENCE

The Conference will be held in Montreal from 6 to 11 May 1974. A first announcement was issued by the Convener of the Steering Committee, Professor M. J. Dunbar, in January 1973 and a second circular and call for papers were about to be issued (Annex XII).

It was reported that there was a likelihood that the newly formed SCAR Subcommittee on Antarctic Marine Biological Resources would meet at the time of the Conference.

Further consideration was given to the desirability of convening, at the time of the conference, a joint meeting of representatives of SCOR, SCAR, IOC, WMO, FAO, ICES and other international organizations that had interests in promoting the study of different aspects of the polar oceans in order to attempt to coordinate plans and future activities. It was agreed, however, that it might be preferable to defer such consultation until such

ANNEX XI

JOINT OCEANOGRAPHIC ASSEMBLY REPORT OF MEETING OF STEERING COMMITTEE 15 May 1973

The Joint Oceanographic Assembly is scheduled for 13-24 September 1976 in Edinburgh. The Steering Committee for the Assembly met in Texel on 15 May under the chairmanship of Professor Wooster (SCOR); other participants were Professors Lacombe (IAPSO), Hempel (IABO), Simpson (CMG) and van Meighem (ACOMR), together with Ing. Heyning (ECOR), Mr Hemmen and Mr Currie (Royal Society), Professor Postma (SCOR), Mr Scott (IOC), Dr Capurro (UNESCO), Mr Tambs-Lyche (ICES) and Dr Sahrhage (FAO/ACMRR).

General plans for the Assembly had been determined at the last meeting of the Steering Committee, in June 1972 (see Proceedings, Vol. 8, no. 2, pp. 67-68). Within this context, the following additional matters were agreed:

Programme: Since both the General and Special Symposia should be of broad interest and interdisciplinary character, they should be organized collectively, with SCOR taking the initial responsibility. Proposals for suitable topics, with brief supporting statements, would be invited from participating organizations, so that a tentative programme could be established before the end of 1973. The sessions of contributed papers would be organized separately by the organizations concerned.

Financing: Local expenses would be met by the National Organizing Committee with the help of an appropriate registration fee. Arrangements for bringing scientists from developing countries would be made by the sponsoring agencies of the United Nations system. National committees would be urged to seek adequate funds to bring their scientists, including conveners and invited speakers, to the Assembly. It was estimated that an additional \$60,000 would be required to bring conveners and invited speakers who could not obtain national funding; the sponsoring agencies, such as UNESCO, FAO, WMO and UNEP, would be asked to foresee such an amount in their 1976 budgets. To examine such matters, the Logistics Committee should be established and should meet in November at the time of the 8th Assembly of the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission.

Publications: FAO should be requested to assume responsibility for compilation and publication of preprints of abstracts for both invited and contributed papers. It was considered desirable later to publish at least the invited papers from the General Symposia and possibly those of the Special Symposia. A selection might also be made of contributed papers for publication in a separate volume. No decision was reached on a possible publisher for such volumes.

Publicity: A brief early notice of the Assembly should be prepared for distribution to selected journals before the end of 1973. Members of the Steering Committee will assist in placing this notice in publications of their organizations, and the assistance of national committees will be requested for distribution of the notice in national media.

The next meeting of the Steering Committee will take place in January 1974 at the time of the 18th SCOR Executive Meeting.