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After Hermann Biner has been elected as vice-president in Bormio there was a

first meeting with him at my home. Another meeting of the managing committee

took place on August 16th in Brig / Martigny. On the occasion of the climbing

championships of October 26th/27th in Zurich we have had a first meeting with

Bruno Pellicier.

We hope that we can continue our work with this team until the next elections

take place in two years. We are going to try to reach together the goals that

Claude Rey has been striving for.

The papers for the applicant countries have been sent to Pakistan and Mexico.

Persons from Germany doing voluntary services want to educate mountain guides in

Kirghizia.

All the mountain guide associations are urgently asked to inform their members

that all education projects in new countries have to be reported to the IFMGA so

that they can be coordinated and accompanied from the very beginning.

The Government of Switzerland has given 100'000.- CHF for a fund for the mountain guides training in developing countries. I ask all the associations and

all the mountain guides to promote this fund and to find new supporters in their

own countries and among people they know. Like this it should be possible for us

to support the trainings in new countries without having to increase our annual

subscriptions. All contributions, be it from private or national persons or

organizations are welcome!

We have discussed the subjects of trademark protection and quality, more about

it can be found in points 13 and 14.

In Bormio we had a very nice and well organized ski race. Again I want to thank

Erminio Sertorelli and his team for this great event, tante grazie Erminio!

The climbing championships in Zurich were attended by mountain guides from

Switzerland, Italy, Germany, Austria, Poland and France.

I want to give my special thanks to Gota Isono and his colleagues for the good

collaboration and the very good organization of this meeting.

All those who have enjoyed the additional program of last week here in Japan

will for sure have good memories of this journey. Arigato!

Report of the treasurer:

In spite of bigger investments for the trademark protection, website and above

all for the TC, the annual subscription can be left on CHF 20.-. For the countries of the EU the fee is € 12.-. Thanks to the strength of the Euro towards the Swiss Frank the amount has been fixed on 12 € and not on 14 € as

last year. I ask the delegates to inform their treasurers.

The budget has been sent to everybody and you have it in front of you.

Are there

any questions?