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ISO Activities in Preservation

The International Organization for Standardization is involved in preservation activities through Subcommittee 10 of Technical Committee 46. Subcommittee 10 has, in turn, four working groups involved in specific aspects of preservation.

Subcommittee 10 and all of its working groups will be meeting in May 1995 in Ottawa, Canada. A report of the progress made at these meetings will appear in issue 3/1995 of the *Newsletter/International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA)/Section on Conservation*. The following reports are based on information provided by the convenors of working groups 1 and 3.

ISO/TC46/SC10/WG1

WG 1 deals with Permanence of paper for documents and is chaired by Per Olof Bethge of Sweden. The initial project of this working group resulted in the publication of *ISO 9706:1994 Information and documentation - Paper for documents - Requirements for permanence*.

Subsequently, the working group developed *ISO CD 11108 Information and documentation - Archival papers - Requirements for permanence and durability* which is now being prepared for distribution and balloting as a draft International Standard.

At its last meeting in Stockholm, Subcommittee 10 resolved to create a new work item dealing with Standardization of permanent and durable boards used for book binding and for document storage purposes. This work item was allocated to WG1 and the group will initiate work on this project at its meeting in May.

ISO/TC46/SC10/WG3

The aim of WG3 is to elaborate a standard on Document Storage Requirements. Although the work is currently an internal paper not yet fully discussed within the WG, it is hoped that at the Ottawa meeting of TC 46 in May 1995, the work item might be approved for distribution and balloting as ISO CD 11799.

The work on this item began in January 1994, when H. Bansa was nominated project leader. The first step was to elaborate a Concordance of relevant national

standards, as they exist in Great Britain, Italy, the Netherlands, Russia and the U.S.A. On the basis of this concordance a first draft was developed. Papers were presented at the May 1994 meeting of TC46 in Stockholm. The draft was discussed there and subsequently by correspondence, primarily by Mirjam Foot, Sergio Palazzi and Peter Adelstein. Following two subsequent drafts, an intensive discussion took place at two meetings of WG3 earlier this year in Munich and in London. The result will be the fourth working draft which will be discussed in Ottawa.

The standard covers construction and equipment for library buildings and installations suitable for long-term storage of archives. Attention is paid to security, climate and inner structure including illumination, ventilation and environmental controls. Although the standard is not intended to cover repository management, it cannot avoid dealing with issues such as cleaning, protective devices for the collections, optimal storage positions and disaster preparedness plans.

Because the document continues to be under study and subject to change, it should not be used for reference purposes until its formal adoption as an International Standard. The working document can, however, be made available to interested individuals.