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On 1st July 1967 the Association numbered 376 full and 33 associate members making a total of 409; 20 members were admitted by Council in October 1967 and in June 1968 68 new members were elected. One member resigned and 5 full and 1 associate member were taken off the list because of non-payment of their annual subscription for 2 years or more.

By 1st July 1968 the Association numbered 440 full and 50 associate members making a total of 490 members.

Council meetings were held in Brussels on 28th October 1967 and in Dublin on 23rd June 1968.

A committee was nominated for selection of papers to be presented at the annual meeting in Dublin. Elected to this committee were Mr. Walsh, Dr. Válek, Dr. Fritz, Prof. Michielsen and Dr. Kennedy. The selection committee met on 23rd March 1968 in Bonn and selected 47 main papers for presentation in Dublin and 19 scientific demonstrations from 121 abstracts which were previously graded by all members of the Council. The abstracts were presented to the Council members and the selection committee anonymously and without names of centres.

The 5th annual Business Meeting was held in Dublin on 23rd June 1968 and was attended by approx. 80 members. At this meeting the membership decided that this procedure of selecting papers should be continued. It was proposed by the Council and approved by the members that no papers should be considered for presentation which had been published elsewhere, accepted for publication elsewhere or accepted for presentation at another meeting of which the proceedings are published. The editor should delete such papers from publication if they appeared in print elsewhere before publication of the Proceedings. Papers should only be accepted on merit and there should be no limitation of the number of papers to be accepted from each unit.

At least one author should be a member or associate member and should have been admitted to membership at or before the preceding annual Business Meeting.

### *Financial report*

According to a decision made at the annual Business Meeting in Paris, Dr. Twiss from Rotterdam and Dr. Van der Hem from Groningen certified the 1967 accounts of the E.D.T.A. as correct. No objections were made. Unfortunately, the rather favourable financial situation mentioned in the Secretary/Treasurer's report a year ago in Paris had changed and according to the figures presented there was a danger that the Association might run into the red in 1969. This unfavourable situation was caused by the sterling devaluation and by the increase in publishing cost of the Proceedings.

At the time of reporting approx. Dfl. 26,000 were available from which Dfl. 5,000 were from the Baxter Travenol Fund and should be paid to junior members. Approx. Dfl. 30,000 should be paid for the publishing of Volume V of the Proceedings. This would make a loss of approx. Dfl. 9,000 which should be compensated by Dfl. 12,500 yet to be collected (being the annual

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subscriptions). At the best there would be a positive balance of Dfl. 3,500 which would be insufficient working capital for 1969.

Therefore it was put to the members if they agreed with a rise in annual subscription to Dfl. 72,— which is the equivalent of £ 8.6.0. The membership agreed.

Prof. Kerr presented a statement of accounts of the Proceedings. His activities resulted in a positive balance from advertising amounting to £ 669.0.0 (approx. Dfl. 5,600) which would be transferred to the central funds of the Association.

The following venues of forthcoming meetings were approved:

- 1969: East-Berlin, president: Prof. H. Dutz  
28–29 June, 1969 with registration on 27th June.\*
- 1970: Barcelona, president: Dr. E. Rotellar  
25–26 June, 1970 with registration on 24th June.

All members of the Council, some of them serving 1 year and others 2 years, were re-elected including the Secretary/Treasurer.

\* The original venue for 1969 was East-Berlin, but this was changed by the Council to permit closer liaison with the International Society of Nephrology.