Resolutions at the eleventh General Assembly

Kobe, Japan, August 18–19, 1990

Resolution 1

The General Assembly resolves that the next meeting of the General Assembly be held at a time and place conveniently linked to the International Congress of Mathematicians in Zürich, Switzerland in 1994.

Resolution 2

Whereas the IMU wishes to mark the turn of the century in a manner appropriate to the standard set by David Hilbert in 1900, the General Assembly directs the Executive Committee to set up a committee to report to the adhering bodies by September 1991 how to accomplish this so that in 1994 the Assembly can discuss it and decide how to proceed.

Resolution 3

The General Assembly records its satisfaction that more women than ever before have been invited to speak at ICM-90 and expresses the wish that this trend continue in the future.

Resolution 4

The General Assembly

- i) expresses its gratitude to UNESCO and ICSU for the help and support that these organizations have provided to various mathematical activities, in particular those carried out in cooperation with the Commission for Development and Exchange (CDE) and International Commission on Mathematical Instruction (ICMI) of the IMU;
- ii) points out, however that the funds currently allocated to the UNESCO research and higher education programme in Mathematics seem quite insufficient to respond to the needs of the International Community, in particular those of developing countries;
- iii) expresses its strong wish that the financial provisions devoted by UNESCO to its above-mentioned mathematical programme be significantly increased;
- iv) requests the President of the IMU to transmit these wishes to the International Council of Scientfic Unions (ICSU) and the Director General of UNESCO.

Resolution 5

All Adhering Organizations are reminded that they should review their national representation on ICMI and that normally national representatives should not be asked to serve for more than two consecutive four-year terms.

Resolution 6

The General Assembly expresses its gratitude to those bodies who contributed to the Special Development Fund in the past four years, which allowed 47 young mathematicians from developing countries to attend the ICM-90. The General Assembly hopes that they will continue their efforts and urges other adhering bodies and Committees for Mathematics to work towards ensuring more contributions to the Special Development Fund.

Resolution 7

The General Assembly expresses its gratitude to the Japanese organizers of the 1990 Congress for its hospitable reception and excellent arrangements for this meeting of the General Assembly as well as for their generosity in helping to bring several mathematicians from developing countries to the Congress.

Resolution 8

The eleventh General Assembly gives warm thanks to the Executive Committee and to the President of the IMU for their work during the period 1986-90.

Resolution 9

The General Assembly gives special thanks to Professor Olli Lehto for his excellent work as Secretary to the IMU over the last eight years ably assisted by Mrs. Tuulikki Mäkeläinen. It also thanks the University of Helsinki and the Finnish Ministry of Education for their generous support of the IMU secretariat over this period.