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Amadeo B .

Rossella D.
Centro Studi Libertari,
Milano,Italy.

Dear Amadeo and Rossella,

On the weekend of 17-18,December at the Université du Québec à Montréal we had the annual meeting of the Institut ANARCHOS. It was a very successful meeting, with a good representation. It was not the best time of year for many people because of the examinations at the Universities, and the forthcoming holiday, nevertheless members came.

I enclose a copy of the agenda to give you an idea of what was discussed and what kinds of papers were presented. On Sunday afternoon we discussed the International Conference in Venice 1984. There is a summary of our decisions.

- (1) The ANARCHOS Institute agrees to co-organise with the Centro Studi Libertari of Milano, an international conference in Venice 1984 with the theme(s) as described in the conference outline discussed at the meeting in Bassano, January 1983. We agree to the financial commitment as outlined in this accord, to the best of our abilities.
- (2) The ANARCHOS Institute will organise a charter group of interested members to go to the conference, Montréal - Paris - Venice - Paris - Montréal. The group will be a minimum of 15 to 25 persons.
- (3) The preferred date for the conference for us is the first weekend of October 1984. October.4-8,1984.
- (4) A committee of the Institute's coordinating committee will study the form of the proposed conference and make recommendations on this subject as soon as possible to the international organising committee of the two Institutes.
- (5) The ANARCHOS Institute will put aside \$1000.00 (Canadian) for the conference immediately, as suggested by the Bassano document.
- (6) The ANARCHOS Institute will help organise its members and others to take particular responsibilities for various contents of the proposed programme of the international conference.

So far the people who have expressed interest to come to Venice include: Marsha Hewitt, Stephen Schecter, Stanely Nemiroff, Frank Harrison, Murray Bookchin, Charles Shively, John Clark, Dimitri Roussopoulos, Nicole Laurin-Frenette, Samuel Schmidt, Graeme Nicholson.

(7) It is the strong feeling of the annual meeting of the Anarchos ~~Institute~~ Institute that the Venice conference is primarily a study and research oriented conference. We are concerned therefore that the tone of the conference as expressed in the document "1984 - International Anarchist ~~Conference~~ Gathering, Conference and other things, Venice, 20-24 September 1982. Information Circular - not for Publication" gives another interpretation of the purpose of this meeting. We are not interested in 'a gathering, conference and other things'. We are primarily interested in a conference to make a inventory of anarchist theory and practice, and intellectual inventory. Cultural activities must ~~be~~ ^{not} be permitted to dominate this meeting.

These then are the key resolutions adopted, and we are sending them to you for consideration and response. We cannot attend the meeting in Switzerland this month, and hope to be able to attend an organisation meeting in the early Spring in Europe. In early January our coordinating committee will meet again to map out our plan of action regarding the Venice conference in more detail.

The Anarchos Institute, with the University of Mexico, will be organising a week-long meeting and conference(s) in Mexico City, in March, with a variety of themes. We had a member of the Institute present, in Montréal. The Anarchos Institute, with the Université du Québec will also be organising a weekend conference 'On Murray Bookchin' in early April. from Mexico

This is our immediate news for now, more later.

with best wishes from all of us to all of you.

your,

DIMITRI

Dimitri Roussopoulos

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Information concerning Members Conference, Montreal, Dec. 17-18, 1983

Where to go once in Montreal:

Reception for members:
from 6 p.m.
3703 Jeanne Mañce, Montreal
telephone: 842-7432

accomodations will be arranged at
reception.

Friday, December 16, 1983

Saturday Morning - 10 - 13h

Pavilion Judith Jasmin 52805

L'Etat : analyse contemporain par Jean Ellezam

commentaire par Nicole Laurin-Frenette

commentary by J. Frank Harrison

president : Jean-Pierre Deslauriers

14:30h - 17:30h

Nuclear War, Militarism, Anarchism and Resistance

Roundtable Discussion:

Peter Dorman

Eric Shragge

Dimitrios Roussopoulos

Murray Bookchin

George Benello

Chaired: Lucia Kowaltuk

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19h --

Feminism, Feminist Theory and the Question of Power by Marsha Hewitt

Anarchism and Sexuality by Charles Shively

chaired by Dimitrios Roussopoulos

Sunday 10 - 13h

Report on Documentation Center

Financial Report

Election of Coordinator

Treasurer

General Secretary

14:30 - 17:30h

Discussion on International Conference, Venice 1984

Other activities for 1984

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February.2,1984

Dear Amadeo,

I hope you received my letter which I sent you in December, hoping that it would get to you before you had your meeting in Switzerland.

Communications between us has to be improved. For instance, we do not know what meeting places have been arranged in Venice. Did you get the conference site you were hoping for, or are we meeting in the old rusty Faculty of Architecture again(ugh!). Also what is your thinking about our desire to have the conference during the first weekend of October ?

Perhaps we should set up a procedure for regular communication. I can write you at the end of every month(last day) and you can write me on the 15th of every month. Thus we can exchange reports regularly.

Our Institute has now written all our members asking them to take responsibility for various panels and workshops of interest to them. So far, Joel Spring has undertaken to organise the area on Radical Pedagogy. I have also indicated to you the various members who are coming, in my last letter, so far.

I am also investigating the cost of charter air flights via Montreal or Boston to Paris(train to Venice) or directly to Milano.

I have been invited to attend a conference in Malta from March 15-18(paid airfare). I am trying to get the organisers to get me a ticket via Rome. If I succeed then perhaps we can have a meeting to discuss the 1984 conference in Cinque Terre or Venice. What do you think. It will also depend on how long I can stay in Europe after the Malta conference, of course. But do keep this possibility in mind for an organisational meeting. By this time I will be able to give you a full report on what we have done, and what we will be doing. What I am worried about at this time is that we will be duplicating our activities in the area of getting speakers or panelists on the various subjects. So keep in touch.

Things are going very well here. Except that I am personally having problems with the police. I have been officially informed by the Soliciter-General of the State(as it is required by law) that I have been under surveillance, that is my telephones and mail has been investigated by the secret police(under the criminal code). The comrades want to make a big campaign about this, and it is very time consuming.

Another development is that Marsha Hewitt and I will be editing a Black Rose Book on the theme of 1984. It will have contributions from various people of the Institute. We hope to have it published by September. We are planning a book launching here at that time, and hope to organise a similar event in Venice in October. The contributors will include some well known people.

That's all for now, your Dimitri

Dimitri