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LASA President, DR. JOHN J. JOHNSON, has announced the appointment of JOHN COBB, JR. as Executive Secretary of LASA.

MR. COBB'S background includes four years as the first director of Antioch College's program in Guanajuato, Mexico, five years on the staffs of *Visión* and *Visão* news magazines, and work for the Peace Corps which included Latin American program evaluations, training, and research. During 1967-68 he was a Fulbright Lecturer in the Department of Social Science at the University of El Salvador. He received an M.A. in Communication from Michigan State University and a B.A. in Sociology from Antioch College.

Along with this issue of the *Newsletter* is included a copy of the Washington Report of Education and World Affairs. It provides LASA members with an up-to-date summary of a rapidly approaching funding crisis in Latin American studies as well as in international education in general.

The newly published Federal budget proposes a sharp cut in support for language and area studies (National Defense Education Act, Title VI). Now that the Department of Health, Education and Welfare has proposed cutting funds for regional studies centers, related research and fellowships, the next question is how Congress will respond.

Appropriations Subcommittees in both houses of Congress are now holding hearings, and any changes in the proposed Federal budget must occur before the end of June. Any LASA member who wishes to express any opinion to his Congressman or Senator should remember that Congressional action on this matter is going on now.

Interested Latin Americanists may wish to make their views known to the Congressional Appropriation Committees, particularly SENATOR MAGNUSON and CONGRESSMAN DANIEL FLOOD, respectively chairmen of the Senate and House subcommittees on Labor-HEW appropriations.

This is not a partisan issue; SENATORS MANSFIELD and AIKEN gave crucial support to international education last year from opposite sides of the aisle.

The enclosed report is one sheet from *Intercultural Education*, a monthly publication available without charge from Education and World Affairs, 522 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10036.

SPECIAL NOTICE: The LASA Secretariat at the Hispanic Foundation will be closed for the duration of the National Meeting, April 16-19, 1970. All calls may be directed to the Statler Hilton Hotel, EX 3-1000, between 9 A.M. and 5 P.M.

SECOND NATIONAL MEETING—TENTATIVE PROGRAM: The following is a tentative program of the Latin American Studies Association's Second National Meeting, to be held at the Statler Hilton Hotel, 16th and K Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C. on April 16-19, 1970.

Thursday, April 16, 1970—"Ecological Aspects of Development in Latin America," Chairman: JOHN MILTON (Conservation Foundation). Discussants: WILFRED DREWER, KIRK RODGERS.

Friday, April 17, 1970—Panel 1, "The Rockefeller Report on the Americas," Chairman: ELDON KENWORTHY. Discussants: JOHN PLANK, JAMES PETRAS, COLONEL JOHN Q. DEAVER, and a member of the staff of the North American Congress on Latin America. Panel 2, "Economic Development," Chairman: ALBERT HIRSCHMAN. Discussant: ALFRED WOLF. Panel 3, "A Present View of Past Literature by Future Latin Americanists," Chairman: DANIEL LEVIN. Discussants: CHARLES BERQUIST, MORRIS BLACHMAN, JAY EDWARDS, JORGE GIUSTI, and ERNESTO HERNANDEZ-CATA. Panel 4, "Moral Versus Economic Incentives in Contemporary Cuba," Chairman: ANTHONY MAINGOT. Discussants: BERTRAM SILVERMAN, C. MESA LAGO, and JOSEPH KAHL.

Friday Night, April 17, 1970—Cocktail Party, from 5:30 to 7:30 P.M. in the George Washington Student Center. Plenary Session to be held in the George Washington Student Center Theater, 8:30 P.M.

Saturday, April 18, 1970—Panel 5, "Review of the Alliance for Progress," Chairman: RICHARD FAGEN, Discussants: HARRISON WAGNER, DAVID BRONHEIM, ENRIQUE IGLESIAS, and MAURICE ZEITLIN. Panel 6, "Current Status of Area Studies Programs," Chairman: WILLIAM CARTER. Discussants: MARTIN NEEDLER, NORMAN SACKS, and RICHARD LAMBERT. Panel 7, "Corrientes Actuales de las Artes en la América Latina," Chairman: JOSE GUILLERMO CASTILLO. Discussants: ROBERT M. WOOL, HOMERO ARIDJIS, LUIS CAMNITZER, GERARDO GANDINI. Panel 8, "Radical Perspectives on Latin America," Chairman: KAREN SPALDING. Discussants: JOEL EDELSTEIN, LYNDA ANN EWEN, DONALD SOLAR, and DAVID EPSTEIN.

Saturday Night, April 18, 1970—"Open Forum on Problems of Latin American Programs in Small and Medium-sized Institutions," Chairman: CHARLES ANDERSON. Discussants: LEE HAMILTON, CHESTER CHRISTIAN, and JOAN CIRUTI. "Open Forum on LARR," Chairman: ROBERT E. QUIRK. Discussants: TOM E. DAVIS, ROBERTO ESQUENAZI-MAYO, and JOHN D. MARTZ. Group discussion on radical approaches to Latin America; DONALD BRAY, Chairman.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL DECISIONS: To the Members of the Latin American Studies Association. At the Executive Council Meeting held in San Francisco, November 14-15, 1969, the following was established as procedure for all future business meetings of the Association:

The Executive Council will decide on all motions and resolutions to be considered at business meetings to be held at future National Meetings. Such motions and resolutions should be submitted to the Executive Secretary two weeks prior to the Meeting so that they may be circulated and placed on the Agenda.

WASHINGTON REPORT

The following report has been prepared by the staff of EWA's Washington office (address: Education and World Affairs, 1755 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20036).

The nation's major graduate area and language centers, already pinched for funds because of the withdrawal of much foundation support, now face a new crisis with the publication of the proposed FY 1971 Federal budget, which includes only \$6 million for both NDEA Title VI (language and area studies support) and Section 102(b)6, (popularly known as the Senior Fulbright Program), as compared with \$18 million for the same programs in fiscal years 1969 and 1970. The Office of Education (OE) press release describing its portion of the budget notes that the Administration plans

to phase out these programs completely in FY 1972.

There are now three main pieces of legislation on the books which are often lumped together under the title "Education in Foreign Languages and World Affairs." Title VI of the National Defense Education Act of 1958, authorized at \$38.5 million for FY 1971, had an appropriation of \$15.1 million in FY 1969, was allotted \$15 million in FY 1970 by the Administration and in the vetoed HEW bill, and would receive \$5.5 million of the FY 1971 \$6 million package under the HEW plans submitted to the Bureau of the Budget (BOB). NDEA Title VI had difficulties in the last session of Congress. Although the Administration asked for \$15 million, which was approved by the House, the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee slashed the amount to \$7 million. The Conference Committee restored the funds to \$15 million, which will probably remain the figure in whatever final HEW bill emerges.

Funds for the NDEA Title VI have been expended in three main categories. In FY 1969, \$6.4 million went to direct support of 109 centers in 59 institutions. An additional \$2.2 million went to the centers for specific research projects, usually involving preparation of materials for the teaching of rare languages. Finally, \$6.6 million went to 2,361 National Defense Foreign Language (NDFL) fellows who were engaged in graduate-level study in the NDEA centers. A cut to \$5.5 million would probably mean that for the school year 1971-1972 (FY 1971 funds are expended in school year 1971-1972, because NDEA funds are forward-funded), no research contracts or new NDFL fellowships would be awarded, a number of present NDFL fellowships would be dropped, and at least half of the present NDEA centers would receive no funds

while the remainder would receive less than half their present support.

Section 102(b)6 of the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act, commonly called the Fulbright-Hays Act, provides fellowships for senior scholars engaged in foreign studies. Under the Kennedy Administration, this Section was transferred from the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (CU) in the State Department to the Office of Education, which now requests and manages funds for the program. Three million dollars were appropriated in FY 1969, and the vetoed HEW bill also contained \$3 million, (equal to the Administration request). A cut to \$500,000 for this program would likely mean a drop from 151 graduate and 73 faculty fellowships in the school year 1969-1970 to about 75 graduate and no faculty fellowships for the school year beginning in September 1971. Ironically, although this reduction may be appropriate from HEW's perspective, this may be the only part of the Fulbright-Hays program to be reduced, inasmuch as the rest of the program could be expanded under CU's increased budget.

Finally, the International Education Act (IEA), passed in 1966 and extended in 1968, is authorized for FY 1971 at \$90 million, but has never been funded. In the FY 1970 budget, the Administration requested \$2 million to be used for a series of pilot project grants. The House deleted this from its version of the bill; the Senate restored the

money to the HEW bill, but the funds were again dropped in Conference. The Administration is not seeking funds for this Act in the FY 1971 budget, and it expires

on June 30, 1971.

HEW, in a press release of February 2, announced the NDEA Title VI and 102(b)6 cuts as follows: "The Higher Education budget request reflects the effort to cut back out-dated and less productive programs. The categorical grants program for Foreign Language and Area Studies, originally authorized in 1958, has been reduced to a funding level of \$6 million-one-third of the 1969 level. The program would be phased out in its entirety by 1972." Although this would appear at first glance to mean that OE had decided against NDEA Title VI, the fact is that HEW's original budget request for FY 1971 included \$3 million for 102(b)6 and \$17 million for NDEA VI. The increase for NDEA VI would have allowed some funds to begin projects formally envisioned for IEA-thus, in essence, HEW was repeating its FY 1970 request of \$15 million for NDEA VI and \$2 million for IEA. During the BOB's review process of the HEW request, the combined \$20 million package was reduced, and when an appeal was made, the unusual action was taken of further cutting the budget item to \$6 million. Thus it would appear that in spite of the harsh language of the HEW press statement, the real hostility to NDEA Title VI was located somewhere in the budgetary process other than in HEW.

FY 1969 FOREIGN LANGUAGE AND AREA STUDIES*

NDEA VI		NUMBER OF STATE		
		INSTITUTIONS	SUMMARY	TOTAL
		SERVED	Arizona	\$ 102,600
LANGUAGE AND AREA CENTERS	\$6,380,000.		California	2,117,061
	F F80 0.41	-0	Colorado	128,280
Awards to Centers	5,570,241.	59	Connecticut	555,074
Research Contracts	300,000.		Florida	269,807
Summer Programs	509,759.	7 2 2 2 2 2	Hawaii	223,265
ndea research contracts \$2,194,307.		35	Illinois	-1,255,213
			Indian <u>a</u>	848,423
,			Iowa	50,100
Institutions	1,980,467.		Kansas	182,050
ERIC Contracts	213,840.		Louisiana	195,600
NDFL FELLOWSHIPS	\$6,616,570.	5 4	Maryland	8,500
			Massachusetts	833,144
		NUMBER OF	Michigan	1,281,782
		FELLOWS	Minnesota	181,265
	0.101.000	1001	Missouri	126,000
Graduate	6,191,903.	1981	New Hampshire	36,000
Undergraduate	306,115.	346	New Jersey	513,177
Faculty	118,552.	34	New Mexico	80,300
TOTAL	\$15,190,877.		New York	2,101,481
			North Carolina	99,363
THE COLUMN CHAPTER CHAPTER		NUMBER OF	Ohio	242,100
DIRECT CENTER SUPPORT		CENTERS	Oregon	87,350
OF AREA STUDIES			Pennsylvania	845,379
AFRICAN	\$ 636,750.	13	Rhode Island	48,250
SOUTH, SOUTHEAST,			Tennessee	94,600
FAR EAST, ASIAN	2,453,018.	41	Texas	343,300
LATIN AMERICAN	851,630.	16	Utah.	78,600
MIDDLE AND NEAR			Vermont	22,000
EASTERN	672,550.	12	Virginia	64,000
RUSSIAN, EAST EUROPEAN			Washington	341,300
AND SLAVIC	1,217,203.	23	Washington, D.C. 312,688.	
WESTERN EUROPEAN	38,190.	1	Washington, D.C	
			based orgs.	226,321
		106	Wisconsin	748,518

^{*} Compiled by EWA-Washington

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BALL STATE UNIVERSITY: A joint effort by geographers from all over the U.S. has resulted in Ball State University receiving a grant from the National Science Foundation to conduct a western hemisphere "Symposium on the Future of Geographic Research in Latin America."

Geographers from Latin America, Canada and the U.S. are expected to come to Ball State for the four-day meeting, April 30 to May 3, according to DR. ROBERT L. CARMIN. Dean of the College of Sciences and

Humanities. DR. CARMIN is the director of the NSF project.

Plans for the NSF conference were developed last summer at the meeting of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History. The planning committee includes the panel chairmen and the following U.S. and Canadian geographers: CHARLES BENNETT, Univ. of California at Los Angeles (ecology panel); WILLIAM DENEVEN, Univ. of Wisconsin, and OSCAR HORST, Western Michigan Univ. (Indian and peasant cultures panel); CLARENCE MINKEL, Michigan State Univ. and DONALD HOY, Univ. of Georgia (commercial primary activities panel); and ROBERT NUNLEY, Univ. of Kansas (Population and settlement panel). The Committee also includes the following: JOHN P. AUGELLI and JOHN THOMPSON, Univ. of Illinois; ARTHUR L. BURT, U.S. Department of State; ALLEN D. BUSHONG, Univ. of South Carolina; JOSHUA C. DICKINSON, Univ. of Florida; EDMUND HEGEN, Univ. of Alabama; PRESTON E. JAMES, Syracuse Univ.; CARL L. JOHANNESSEN, Univ. of Oregon; BARRY LENTNEK, GEORGE PATTEN and RONALD SHECK, all of Ohio State Univ.; ROSS N. PEARSON, Eastern Michigan Univ.; ROBERT N. THOMAS, Michigan State Univ. and PHILIP WAGNER, Simon Fraser Univ. (Canada). For further information, please contact DR. CARMIN, Dean, College of Sciences and Humanities, Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana 47306.

UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH: The program "Cuba: A Decade of Revolution, 1959-1968," begun at the Univ. of Pittsburgh in September, 1969, is continuing into 1970 with a second public lecture series, films, and plays. The first series, in the Fall, dealt with the social science; the Winter series will emphasize the humanities.

Guest lecturers will be Professor JUAN ORREGO SALAS, Director of the Latin American Music Center, Indiana Univ., speaking on "Music in Cuba" and DR. JOSE GOMEZ-SICRE, Director of the Audiovisual Dept., OAS, discussing "Fine Arts in Cuba." Professors JULIO MATAS, ROBERTA SALPER and ROLLAND PAULSTON, all from the University of Pittsburgh, will deal with "Theater and Cinematography in Cuba," "Literature and Revolution in Cuba" and "The Revolution in Cuban Education" respectively.

The University of Pittsburgh Theatre will stage two Cuban one-act plays: "False Alarm" by VIRGILIO PINERA and "Cain's Mangoes" by ABELARDO ESTORINO. In addition, there will be two presentations of Cuban documentary films. The first session, on customs and folklore, will include "Y tenemos sabor," "O ciel del Toa," "San Lazaro y Babalu," "Por primera vez" and "Historia de un ballet." The second session, on mobilization and politics, will include "Ciclón," "Los niños," "La muerte de Joe E. Jones" and "La hora de los hornos." For further information please contact: MRS. JUNE BELKIN, Center for Latin American Studies, Univ. of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15213.

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AREA STUDIES PROGRAMS COMMITTEE: Two new members of the Committee were elected in January by the Institutional Representatives of the some 250 colleges and universities from among their own number. They are: For term: January 1, 1970 - December 31, 1972: DR. PAUL L. DOUGHTY, Department of Anthropology, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana 47401; and DR. JOSEPH SOMMERS, Department of Romance Languages, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington 98105. The other members of the Committee and their terms follow: For term: January 1, 1970 - December 31, 1971: DR. CHARLES W. ANDERSON, Director, Ibero-American Area Studies Program, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin 53706; DR. MARTIN NEEDLER, (Chairman), University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87106; DR. ROBERT POTASH, Head, Department of History, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Massachusetts 01003. For term: January 1, 1970 - December 31, 1970: DR. ROBERTO ESQUENAZI-MAYO, Director, Institute of Latin American & International Studies, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Nebraska 68508; PROF. JOHANNES WILBERT, Director, Latin American Center, University of California at Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California 90024. Alternates for 1970 are: DR. JOAN CIRUTI, Chairman, Department of Spanish, Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, Massachusetts 01075; DR. HERBERT R. MINNICH, Department of Sociology, Goshen College, Goshen, Indiana 46526. For the Executive Council: DR. RALPH L. BEALS, Department of Anthropology, University of California, Los Angeles, California 90024.

ROSTER OF SCHOLARLY VISITORS: Through its *Newsletter*, LASA recently began a roster of scholarly visitors who might be available for lectures, symposia, short courses, and even commitments of longer duration in the United States. Below are listed the names of individual scholars now visiting U.S. colleges and universities. Those institutions wishing more information may contact the Secretariat.

COMPARATIVE EDUCATION:

DR. ROBERTO KOCH (Peru). Anderson College, Indiana; Dept. of Sociology and Social Workson.

ECONOMICS:

ANNIBAL V. VILLELA (Brazil). Vanderbilt Univ. Tenn., Graduate Center for Latin American Studies.

PROF. JOSE HONORIO RODRIGUES (Brazil), Columbia Univ.; Institute of Latin American Studies.

PROF. NICOLAS SANCHEZ-ALBORNOZ (Argentina). NYU; Ibero-American Language and Area Center; Dept. of History.

LANGUAGE:

DEMETRIO AGUILERA MALTA (Ecuador). Univ. of California at Irvine; Spanish & Portuguese Dept. SERGIO MONDRAGON (Mexico). Ohio Univ. in Athens; Dept. of English and Modern Languages and the Latin American Studies Committee, Center for International Studies.

PHILOSOPHY:

PROF. PEDRO CUPERMAN (Argentina). NYU; Dept. of Politics; Ibero-American Language and Area . Center.

MICROBIOLOGY:

GLORIA ITURRI (Chile). Michigan State Univ.; Dept. of Microbiology and Public Health.

PHYSIOLOGY:

SAMUEL DICKERSON (Honduras). Michigan State Univ.; Dept. of Physiology, Research.

POULTRY SCIENCE:

ANDRES GONZALEZ DELFINO (Venezuela). Texas A&M Univ.; Dept. of Poultry Science. OTTO MARIO MARIN-RAMIREZ (Colombia). Texas A&M Univ.; Dept. of Poultry Science. SOCIOLOGY:

MARIA G. ACOSTA DE CREMA (Venezuela). Yale Univ.; Council on Latin American Studies. URBAN AND REGIONAL PLANNING:

JORGE ENRIQUE HARDOY (Argentina). Yale Univ.; Council on Latin American Studies.

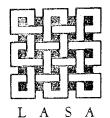
UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA: The Midwest Association for Latin American Studies will meet at the University of Nebraska on October 1-3, 1970. The theme will be "The Role of the Latin American Military in Government." For further information, write to PROF. ROBERTO ESQUENAZI-MAYO, Director, Institute for Latin American and International Studies, Univ. of Nebraska, Lincoln, Nebraska 68508.

LANGUAGE AND AREA STUDIES PROGRAM REVIEW: The Office of Education and the Social Science Research Council have initiated a review of language and area studies programs. The review is being conducted by Sociologist RICHARD D. LAMBERT, Director, South Asian Regional Studies Center, University of Pennsylvania. As the project's Director puts it, "There is a very weak empirical base for many of the judgments made about the purpose and importance of area studies." The Lambert Project expects to remedy this weakness through a comprehensive study of area programs throughout the United States.

You have now received the "Lambert Questionnaire." If you have not already done so, please complete and return it as soon as possible to the Secretariat. If you have not received a questionnaire, or if you know of someone who would like to participate in the survey, please write to the Secretariat and survey material will be sent to you.

LOST & FOUND DEPARTMENT— The Secretariat asks the cooperation of *Newsletter* readers in getting current addresses for the following LASA members; MARY E. BIRD (San Francisco, Cal.); EFREN CORDOVA (Ithaca, N.Y.); RICHARD L. DUNCAN (Syracuse, N.Y.); EDUARDO FERNANDEZ-BANUELOS (Kingsville, Texas); JACK D. L. HOLMES (Birmingham, Ala.); MARCUS TEODORO KAPLAN (Santiago, Chile); EMILIO F. MIGNONE (Silver Spring, Md.); JOHN V. MONSOUR (U. of Mass.); ROGER C. NEWMAN and CAROLINE M. REMY (San Antonio, Texas); STEFAN H. ROBOCK (Bethesda, Md.); ELENA WACHONG (Gainesville, Fla.); ROBERT C. WILLIAMSON (Santiago, Chile); JOSEPH ENRIGHT (Ithaca, N.Y.); RICHARD L. RUTH (Marquette Univ.). A note from anyone knowing the current whereabouts of the above would be appreciated by the Secretariat, as would direct communication from our "lost" members.

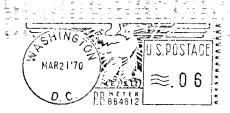
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