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**Minutes of First Standing Committee Meeting of**

**Government Libraries Section, IFLA**

**24thAugust 2018, KualaLumpur, Malaysia**

Present: Anoja Fernando – Chair (UK), Pavel Kiselev – Secretary (Russia), Jonathan Ginn (UK –Joint Information Coordinator), Neil Murray (EU –Member), Beacher Wiggins (USA – Corresponding Member), Satoko Yoshima (Japan – Corresponding Member), Hyo Jin Park (Republic of Korea – representing Hyunju Lee SC Member), Dr. SatendraSingh Dhaka (India – Member).

Apologies: Guillermo García-Capcha – Information Coordinator (Peru - Member), Brad Hinton (Australia – Member), Elina Kähö (Finland - Member), Reyna JosvahRabiaza (Madagascar – Member), Vincenza Iossa(Italy – Corresponding Member), Richard Huffin (USA – Member), Maria Goeckertiz (Germany – Member).

Guests Present: Ali Irhamni (Indonesia – Observer), Mazli Razali (Malaysia – Observer), Azli Rahim (Malaysia – Observer), Mashizam Mohamad (Malaysia – Observer), Horaini Buhan (Malaysia – Observer), Wan Irahin (Malaysia – Observer), Mmaditship iSeageg(South Africa – Observer), StephenWyber (IFLA – Observer), Sanjay Bihani (India – Chair, IFLA Asia Oceania).

1. Welcome and: Chair Anoja Fernando welcomed the Standing Committee members and guests to the meeting, announced apologies from members unable to attend and everyone introduced themselves. The Committee recorded agreement.

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2. Adoption of Agenda: The agenda was accepted and the meeting commenced.

3. Minutes of the previous meeting: Minutes from IFLA WLIC in Wroclaw, Poland were accepted.

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes, if any: None

5. Draft Annual Report from the Chair: Anojaexpressed her gratitude to Secretary and information coordinators for support and arrangements for WLIC 2018.

The Chair also mentioned the results of 2017 workshop at the Bundestag, Berlin and the achievements at the Satellite Meeting, hosted by Ministry of International Trade and Industry, Kuala Lumpur Malaysia. The focus at the Satellite Meetings was the revision of section 11 of Guidelines for Libraries of Government Departments, Section 11 on Advocacy which is being reviewed and the final draft is to be distributed soon.

(see attached Chair’s report).

Anoja also announced the conversations with IFLA Parliamentary Section for a possible joint- conference in London 16-17 April 2019 and invited all present for their views and possible attendance. There were discussions on logistics and dates and the Committee agreed for Anoja to continue the conversation and report back via email.

6. Report from the Secretary:

Pavel expressed his appreciation to Anoja, Guillermo and Jonathan for their cooperation in all section arrangements regarding the section and the program in Kuala Lumpur. He also mentioned that all papers will be presented at the GLS Session (session 187a, Tuesday August 28th, 2018) as confirmed. Pavel will be hosting all speakers’ arrangements during conference and the time-table at the session.

7. Report from Information Coordinator: Secretary Pavel Kiselev read the report in the absence of Guillermo. Everyone complimented Guillermo’s efforts at meeting all the deadlines in congress program arrangements, his contribution to GLS social media networking activities. [see attached Information Coordinator’s report]

8. GLS contribution to IFLA Global Vision: Jonathan Ginn, as GLS representative at the Global Vision conference, briefed the Committee on his participation with Anoja (Chair) at the March conference in Barcelona. Jonathan thanked all members who contributed.

Anoja thanked Jonathan for his time and efforts to consult Standing Committee Members, collate feedback, and complete a demanding task. [see attached Global Vision Coordinator’s report].

7. GLS Session Kuala Lumpur: introductions, format and confirmation of speakers:

**Theme**: **UN Sustainable Development Goals transforming societies through informed policy.** The session will consist of two consecutive parts – papers presentation and knowledge cafe discussion.

Anoja reminded and invited the Committee to attend the Government Libraries Section Session (session 187a, Tuesday August 28th, 2018). She confirmed the attendance of the Keynote Speaker Stephen Wyber, IFLA.

Anoja commended Guillermo’s excellent coordination with SC during selection of papers, speakers and IFLA HQ to ensure the Programme succeeds. Anoja also thanked Pavel for liaising with speakers and IFLA communications during conference. She also recorded her thanks to the Chair of Research and Parliamentary Libraries, Steve Wise, for his contribution as the GLS Session is sponsored by the Section.

The Secretary confirmed all papers to be presented were uploaded and it was agreed to stay in touch with all the speakers and the Secretary undertook to take a closer look to upload the presentations to IFLA speaker preview system as soon as possible.

There was discussion and several helpful suggestions from SC Members present upon the format and timing of the session. Anoja confirmed herself as the moderator of the presentations session. GLS standing committee members confirmed themselves to assist as facilitators at the Knowledge Cafe session.

 Pavel Kiselev 30th September 2018

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**29thAugust 2018, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia**

Present: Anoja Fernando – Chair (UK), Pavel Kiselev – Secretary (Russia), Beacher Wiggins (USA –Corresponding Member), Jonathan Ginn (UK – Joint Information Coordinator), Neil Murray (EU – Member), Hyo Jin Park (Pepublic of Korea – representing Hyunju Lee, Member), Satoko Yoshima (Japan – Corresponding Member).

Apologies: Guillermo García-Capcha – Information Coordinator (Peru - Member), Brad Hinton (Australia – Member), Elina Kähö (Finland - Member), Reyna JosvahRabiaza (Madagascar – Member), Vincenza Iossa(Italy – Corresponding Member), Richard Huffin (USA – Member), Maria Goeckertiz (Germany –Corresponding Member).

Guests Present: Vicky MacDonald (IFLA, Chair Division 1), Ali Irhamni (Indonesia– Observer), Mazli Razali (Malaysia – Observer), Azli Rahim (Malaysia – Observer), Mashizam Mohamad (Malaysia – Observer), Horaini Buhan (Malaysia – Observer), Wan Irahin (Malaysia – Observer), Mmaditshipi Seageg (South Africa – Observer),.

Welcome: Chair Anoja Fernando welcomed the Standing Committee members and guests to the 2nd SC meeting, announced apologies from members unable to attend and everyone introduced themselves.

Agenda: The remaining agenda items were accepted and the meeting commenced.

8. Discussion and Finalization of GL Section Programme for IFLA 2019 in Athens, Greece:

 As the theme of WLIC 2019 is “Libraries: dialogue for change” it was agreed to choose the GLS Session theme “From Gatekeeping to Advocacy” in the form of 2-3 presentations followed by the knowledge café discussion.



9. Planning / Discussion on programmes with other sections, if any: To continue the success of Columbus, Wroclaw and Kuala Lumpur, Anoja offered to speak to Steve Wise, Chair of IFLA Library and Research Services for Parliaments Section to gain their support for the GLS session.

Anoja indicated that the IFLA Science & Technology Libraries Section had invited GLS to do a joint session on “Blockchain” in Athens and Anoja has offered GLS support and will take this forward as Chair.

10. Feedback of GLS Section Kuala Lumpur Programme

Anoja thanked all SC members for a very successful session. Stephen Wyber’s Keynote address was very well received by the audience and Anoja recorded her thanks. She also wished to note the success of the format to draw the audience.

Pavel noted that the session gathered 109 participants and as a result of the GLS program this year we have received several questions we could discuss after speakers presentation, number of new observers attending the Second SC meeting from the region holds great potential to enroll more new members in the upcoming election year.

11. SC Election Year 2019: Anoja reminded that 2019 is election year for the SC. She recorded her pleasure that the Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI), Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, hosts for the 2018 GLS Satellite meeting, have become IFLA members and of GLS. She invited Azli Rahim, Chief Librarian MITI to join the GLS SC. Irhami Ali, National Library Indonesia, who presented at the GLS Session and Mmaditshipi Seageg (South Africa – Observer) expressed their interest to join the SC.

12. Any other issue with the permission of the Chair

Based on the proposal by Cizia Iossa, (Italy – Corresponding Member), it was agreed to make proposals on themes of the Guidelines on Advocacy at a Satellite meeting in Rome 2019. Anoja will complete relevant forms and take it forward in consultation with Cinzia Iossa and keep the SC fully informed.

13. Closure of meeting Anoja thanked everyone present and members of the SC and closed the meeting.

Pavel Kiselev 30th September 2018