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A meeting of the Travelsafe Committee was held in Room 6.38, Level 6 of the Parliamentary Annexe on Tuesday 16 June 1992 at 1.20 pm.

Present:

Mr Ardill (Chairman), Ms Bird, Messrs Springborg, Dollin, Goss, Lester and Fenlon.

In attendance - Mr R Downey, Research Director.

Minutes of previous meeting:

The minutes of the meeting held on 19 May 1992 were accepted and confirmed. Moved, Mr Lester, seconded Mr Dollin.

Correspondence:

Adopted moved Mr Springborg seconded Ms Bird.

- Stevenson - assistance with Pedestrian and Cyclist Safety investigations
- New - civilian policing

The Committee agreed that the letter from Mr New, together with his previous lengthy submission be passed on to the Department of Transport for comment and actions.

Disk Copies of Travelsafe Reports to Transport Department:

An approach has been made from the Department of Transport to have Travelsafe Reports available on diskette. It was resolved that Transport could be supplied with a "Summary of Recommendations" ONLY of each report and of future reports.

Travel:

It was resolved by the Committee that air travel undertaken by the Committee, on Committee business, be "Business Class" or the equivalent.

**Attendance at
Conference in
Berlin:**

Mr Downey presented details of a conference being held in Berlin from 30.9.92 to 2.10.92. All members agree that the topics for which papers have been called are directly relevant to Travelsafe Committee work (copy of brochure attached). All Committee Members' expressed a desire to attend; however, the ability to attend would depend on the date of the election. It was moved by Mr Lester, seconded by Ms Bird, that Mr Downey, as Research Director, and any Member who is able to attend have the full support of the whole Committee to attend the conference. Mr Downey will investigate the process involved in attending the conference and report back to the Committee.

**Propose Consultancy
by Dr Rob Pitt:**

Mr Downey informed the Committee of information collected by Dr Rob Pitt of the Queensland Injury Surveillance and Prevention Program (Q1SPP). Dr Pitt has collected data on injury types and factors leading to accidents since 1984 on unreported (and probably reported) accidents in the Brisbane South Health Region. This region is the biggest in the State with a population of over 600,000.

It was resolved by the Committee to seek the views of Mr Goebel, Director of Road Safety Division, Department of Transport with regard to possible uses of this data. Furthermore, Mr Downey would commence negotiations with Dr Pitt on a proposed consultancy by him. This consultancy would undertake detailed analysis of the raw data which has been collected but which has, due to lack of resources, been unable to be further analysed.

**Department of
Transport Officer
to Cairns and
Maryborough:**

It was resolved by the Committee to have a Department of Transport Officer, probably Mr Bill Dix, accompany the Committee on trips to Cairns and Maryborough. The officer would act as an "expert" who would be on hand to assist and advise the Committee.

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**Pedestrian and
Cyclist Safety
Investigations:**

Mr Downey gave the Committee details of:

- flights to Cairns and Maryborough;
- hearing arrangements so far;
- indicative list of proposed witnesses;
- MLA's to be advised of the hearings;
- pedestrian and cyclist accidents statistics for Cairns, Mulgrave and Maryborough.

Mr Downey will co-ordinate all travel arrangements on advice from Members and/or electorate secretaries.

Next meeting:

To be advised.

Meeting closed at 2.25 pm.

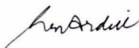
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CALL FOR PAPERS

CALL FOR PAPERS/INVITATION TO ATTEND
INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE
IN BERLIN, GERMANY

ROAD SAFETY IN EUROPE

30 september-2 october 1992



*Swedish Road and
Traffic Research Institute*

FERSI

Forum of European
Road Safety Research Institutes

THE AIM OF THE CONFERENCE

FERSI is an informal association of European road research institutes. The acronym stands for Forum of European Road Safety research Institutes. Presently FERSI has the following members: INRETS — France, RfT — Denmark, BAsT — Germany, SWOV — Netherlands, TØI — Norway, VTI — Sweden, BPA — Switzerland, TRRL — United Kingdom. President is Mr G. Dobias, INRETS. INRETS also is responsible for the secretariat (Mrs M-A Dekkers).

FERSI was created in March 1991 at a meeting in Denmark between the institutes mentioned.

FERSI has the following goals

- To facilitate regular exchange of experience, trends and initiatives between the institutes
 - To identify research needs and opportunities for institute cooperation
 - To undertake joint research projects and to share certain research facilities
 - To further the development of European requirements and standards in the field of road safety
 - To disseminate road safety research results in all ways possible and to all parties concerned
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As a step to reach the last objective FERSI has decided to arrange together with VTI a European Road Safety Conference in Berlin 30 September–2 October 1992

The European market will among other things lead to increased international road traffic, to increased national traffic, to more integrated road traffic, to more harmonized road traffic legislation etc. There are however still a number of areas in which the various European countries differ and which may create safety problems in themselves. We should get these problems up on the table and start discussing them to be prepared for their appearance. We may even be able to prevent some of the problems to appear. We should also discuss these problems to make clear which research efforts that should be taken to solve some of the questions they raise. This should be done in order to be able to take rational action in the future. A specific safety problem of European concern is Eastern Europe.

With the above mentioned situation as a background we would like to invite papers on the following or related topics

- Monitoring and predicting road safety trends in Europe in general and in Central and Eastern Europe especially
- Rules, legislation, enforcement and penalties (alcohol, drugs, speed, heavy vehicles etc)
- Road safety education in schools and pre-schools
- Influencing road user attitudes and behaviour (publicity, campaigns, training)
- Safety and traffic management (junction layout, calming methods, network design etc)
- Vulnerable road user groups (pedestrians and cyclists especially children and elderly)
- Traffic information (conventional signing, variable signs, in-car messages)
- Commercial traffic (HGVs, dangerous goods, buses)
- Vehicle design for safety
- Cost benefit and cost effectiveness of road safety measures

In a longer perspective the different parts of Europe will be more integrated. Therefore we should start now to penetrate the problems associated with such an integration.

CALL FOR PAPERS

Abstract should be sent to VTI or FERSI

at the latest by April 1 1992

Authors will be notified by May 15 whether the proposed abstract is accepted or not. Instructions for typing will be given.

Final papers are to be submitted in camera ready form at the latest by August 1 1992.

In case you have any questions please contact

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- I expect to attend
 I would like to make a contribution (abstract enclosed)
 I would like to see the following discussed:
 Please send conference information

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