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Announcement

INTERNATIONAL ASTRONOMICAL UNION

COMMISSION 5: DOCUMENTATION AND ASTRONOMICAL DATA

INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON

LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SERVICES IN ASTRONOMY

TO BE HELD AT

U. S. NAVAL OBSERVATORY, WASHINGTON, D. C.

ON 28 TO 30 JULY, 1988

AND AT THE NASA GODDARD SPACE FLIGHT CENTER

ON AUGUST 1, 1988

The principal purpose of this International Workshop is to provide an opportunity for librarians of astronomical observatories and institutions to meet to discuss common problems and ways of stimulating greater cooperation between libraries in different countries. There will be introductory papers followed by general discussion on such topics as: union lists of astronomy serials; astronomical data centers; resource sharing among libraries; exchange of acquisition lists and duplicates; handling of reprints; use of online databases; conservation of books, manuscripts and photographs; astronomical publishing; use of computers in libraries; abstracting services; classification systems; and the changing use of astronomical literature. The working language of the Workshop will be English.

It is hoped to arrange a tour of the Library of Congress (including its pilot project on the use of optical disks). Sunday, 31 July will be left free to allow for sightseeing in Washington. Bus transportation will be provided for the meeting on 1 August at the Goddard Space Flight Center and afterwards back to Washington or on to Baltimore for those who will be attending the IAU General Assembly which meets from 2 to 11 August 1988. It is hoped that the General Assembly will include a Joint Discussion on the "Interaction between Documentation and Data Services and Astronomers" as well as the usual meetings of Commission 5.

As of the end of June 1987, 80 positive responses have been received from librarians and astronomers in 22 countries.

If you wish to attend and have not as yet responded to the first announcement, please return the form on the back in order to receive the second announcement which will have hotel arrangements and further program information. The second announcement will be mailed in the FALL, 1987.

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- I will attend the General Assembly in Baltimore.
- I will attend the Joint Discussion sponsored by Comm. 5.

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