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LATVIAN CENTRAL ORGANIZATIONS IN EXILE

The central organization of Latvian head organizations in exile is

LATVIAN FREE WORLD FEDERATION (BPLA)

BPLA has four member organizations:

1. AMERICAN LATVIAN ASSOCIATION, INC. (ALA)
2. EUROPEAN CENTER FOR LATVIAN FREEDOM (LAK, EC)
3. LATVIAN NATIONAL FEDERATION IN CANADA (LNAK)
4. AUSTRALIAN LATVIAN FEDERATION (LAA)

The four organizations represent Latvians or citizens of respective countries or continents of Latvian origin.

The BPLA statutes rule that the President is the President of ALA, at present P. Lejins, Jr. (US)

The President in charge is Vilis Janums (LAK, EC) (Germany)

Two vice chairmen:

Alfreds Berzins, ALA. (US)

A. Dukats, LAA (Australia)

Board members:

Petaris Egilits, ALA. (US)

Vilis Hazners, ALA. (US)

Karlis Gulbis, LAKEC (Belgium)

Viktors Upeslacis, LNAK (Canadian)

J. Malitis, LAK, EC (Sweden)

Arvids Kripens, LAA (Australia)

The board members have a vacant place, which is reserved for a representative of the South American countries. (Mr. Bite died recently.)

AMERICAN LATVIAN ASSOCIATION, INC.

Chairman: P. Lejins

Chairman in charge: Alfreds Berzins

Vice Chairman: Vilis Hazners, Peters Eglitis, Ludvigs Berzins,
V. Maikovakis, P. Norvilis, N. Trepse

Treasurer: G. Meierovics and A. Zagetis

Secretaries: V. Klive and D. Rudzitis

Secretary general: Bruno Albats

LATVIAN NATIONAL FEDERATION IN CANADA

Chairman of Board of Directors: Viktors Upeslacis
Council Chairman: prof. A. Dreimanis

AUSTRALIAN LATVIAN FEDERATION:

Chairman: Adams Dukats
Vice Chairman: Col. Arvids Kripens

EUROPEAN CENTER FOR LATVIAN FREEDOM

CHAIRMAN: A. Abakuks, representing the Latvian National Council in Great Britain of which Abakuks is also the chairman.

V. Janums, representing Latvian Central Committee in Germany, is chairman of LCC. (Referent in national matters)

K. Dzilleje, Represents the Latvian Social Democratic party in Sweden (Referent in educational matters)

Roberts Liepins: Diplomatic representative in Germany. (Referent in foreign affairs)

Arturs Landsmanis: Represents the Scandinavian Fund in Sweden. (Referent in information matters)

Karlis Gulbis: Represents Latvians in Belgium. (Referent in administrative matters.)

Arvids Ose: Assigned to caritative work behind the Iron Curtain. (Sweden) (send parcels, medicine, etc.)

Karlis Kalnins: Referent in economical matters. (Belongs to the Veterans org.)