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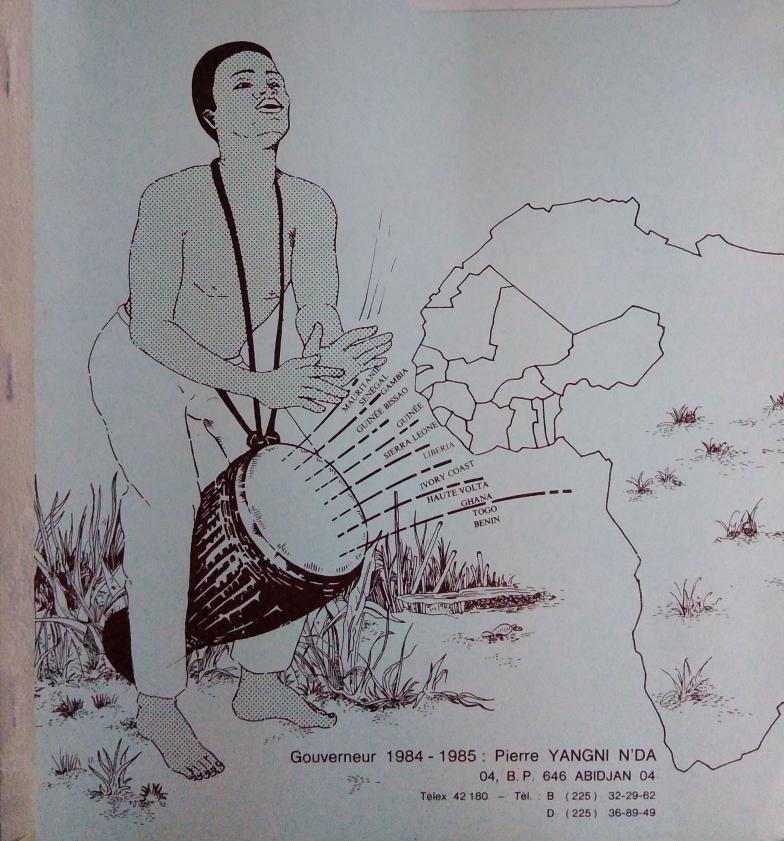
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Lettre mensuelle du Gouverneur

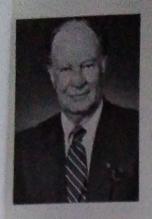


Governor's monthly letter

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Date and place of creation 1973 LOME (Togo)	
Amendment July 1982	
Area at 01/06/1984  Benin, Ivory Coast, Gambia, Ghana, Upper Volta  Liberia, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Senegal, Sie  Togo	
Members at 01/06/1984 1114	
Number of clubs 27	
Benin 1 Ghana 6 Mali 1	
Cotonou Accra Bamako	
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Ivory Coast 8 Kumassi <u>Mauritanie</u> 1	
Abidjan Sekondi-Takoradi Nouakchott	
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Abidjan Riviera Niamey	
Agboville Upper Volta 1	
Bouake Ouagadougou Senegal 3	
San Pedro Dakar	
Vamoussokro <u>Liberia</u> 2 Dakar Alizés	
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Gambia 1 Nimba	
Banjul Sierra Leone 1	
Freetown	
Togo 1	

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## LETTER TO THE PRESIDENTS AND CLUB SECRETARIES

N°6

Dear Friends,

Apart from its religious aspects December is a month of festivities, family and friend reunions, gifts, particularly to children...

For us rotarians December is the end of the 1st Semester. It is the time of the first report which shows that many clubs have already completed important projects while others unfortunately are still investigating ways of action and have not done anything concrete yet.

I would like all of them to take this important opportunity offered by the month of December to show their strength in their respective areas. In order to achieve this, may I suggest that they become the helpers of all. Let service light up their path. Rotarians can serve in two ways:

- First by following the usual way which consists in providing resources to meet the particular needs of the poor. To illustrate this type of service, one can quote countless examples such as the construction of a shelter to protect those waiting for a bus from the rain or the sun, the purchase of a generator to work a refrigerator where vaccines are stored, the purchase of a pump to provide water, the source of life to millions of people dying of thirst, the purchase of valves allowing to operate satisfactorily on people suffering from cataract etc... Generally speaking the supply of funds to buy equipment to be offered to individuals or communities.
  - The second way consists in making oneself available for the service to others. I can mean devoting a few hours taken on one's free time in order to
    - . visit a leprosy, shake hands with the sick, offering them a smile and some presents.

- . visit a village of forsaken children, giving them for a day the joy and impression that they too have parents who care and love just like other children in the world.
- . On a Sunday, go to the streets of a small town to patch the po holes with sand ans stones picked by rotarians themselves.
- . Take part together with professionals, in the vaccination of a whole community.
- . To welcome children or elderly people of poor condition in you family in order to make them share the warmth of your home.

In either of these two ways, we are involded in charitable for the benefit of others. But, as the saying goes "the way in which give is worth more than what you give". This is why I choose the secondary. Indeed if some of us do not have sufficient financial ressources we all have a heart and we are all capable of a smile which will light the face of a severely ill or poor person, thus proving him or her the when there is no room for hope, there is no room for despair either. These two ways of service are good and noble but the second one adds that the dimension to service. It adds love and care which are the base all charitable acts, it is a friendly move towards others.

I therefore request all rotarians within District 910 during month of December to discover a new world of service by taking actions that involve the gift of oneself.

Happy X' mas to all.

P. YANGNI N'DA

## MEMBERSHIP ATTENDANCE REPORT

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List Alphabetically All	Total Mera. es el last	Avg. % Attendonne for	No. of Meetings
Clubs in District	meeting of	for month	held
ABIDJAN	59	70	5
ABIDJAN COCODY	60	47	5
ABIDJAN LAGUNES	22	60	5
ABIDJAN RIVIERA	40	62.70	4
ACCRA	48	81,25	5
ACCRA WEST	47	72	5
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BAMAKO	38	59,99	. 5
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D. BOUAKE	28	60,64	5
COTONOU	42	71,08	5
2. DAKAR	64	144,68	5
3. DAKAR ALIZES	32	68,75	5
4 FREETOWN	58	52	4
15. KUMASSI	29	61	5
16. LOME	44	46	4
17. MONROVIA	46	73,61	4
18. NIAMEY	36	57,14	4
19. NIMBA	32	64,8	3
20. OUAGADOUGOU	26	77,7	5
21. SAN PEDRO	27	62,95	5
22. SEKONDI/TAKORADI			
23. TAMALE	15	34,7	5
24. TEMA	21	1111	F
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# LISTE DES CLUBS VISITES DU 27 SEPTEMBRE AU 5 DECEMBRE 1984

DATES	CLUBS	EFFECTIF AU 30/06/1984	EFFECTIF A à la visit
1/09/1984	NIMBA	21	21
8/09/1984	MONROVIA .	44	23
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4/10/1984	LOME	41	20
8/10/1984	сотомои	39	23
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5/10/1984	BAMAKO	3.8	21
12/10/1984	ABIDJAN	58	37
23/10/1984	ABIDJAN-LAGUNES	22	14
24/10/1984	ABIDJAN-COCODY	61	35
25/10/1984	ABIDJAN-RIVIERA	40	21

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13/11/84	TAMALI	25	16		
16/11/84.	KUMASS1	31	77		
19/11/84	ACCRA	32	35		
20/11/84	TEMA	31	17		
21/11/84	ACCRA WEST	34	32		
23/11/84	SAN PEDRO	28	18		
27/11/84	VAMOUSSOUKRO	20	11		
28/11/84	BOUAKE	33	20		
30/11/84	ZIGUINCHOR	17	12		
3/12/84	DAKAR ALIZES	32	14		
4/12/84	DAKAR	64	24		
5/12/84	BANJUL	26	14		

I have the pleasue to submit to the meditation of all the clubs the letter herebelow from our friend FOGAN TONYI SOSSAH representative of the governor for Benin, Niger and Togo.

Dear President and friend,

I have just received the August-September 84 issue of the magazine The Rotarian; we have only got news from the Abidjan club in this magazine. You must agree with me that it is quite insufficient for a district with 25 clubs.

I invit you to insist on that point by the secretary of the club. He has in his files the monthly forms to fill in and adress to the magazine, let him do it regularly to make his club and its activities known. the informations to provide and which appear in it are related to the subjects herebelow:

- conferences in the lubs
- admissions (names, classifications)
- honorary distinctions.

I recall that when a topic of a conference is particularly interesting and of an interest beyond that of one club, the text can be adressed to the magazine which can take over the publishing.

I will depend on you to see your club appear regularly in the columns of this magazine.

I would like to seeze this occasion to recall the african conference of the President of the I.R. which will take place in ABidjan. You know the importance that the governor attaches to this meeting and you estimate the interest that it presents for all rotarians to whom is offered the occasion to meet rotarians coming from various countries in the case of an international meeting.

So I invit you to stimulate the members of your club from now so that they will be well presented in ABidjan. These meetings as you know it are very interesting for the young rotarians who are discovering the Rotary world.

I close while I depend on you and remain,

Yours very friendly.

### NOTICE TO THE TREASURERS OF THE CLUBS

I seeze the opportunity of the monthly letter of December of the Governor of the District to recall your obligations towards the district 910.

The per capita contribution due by each club of the district is fixed to the rate of \$US 15.

In this case I will ask you to kindly pay the contributions due to the district for 1984-1985 according to your declaration of effectives of the month of June 1984.

The payment has to be done on the account of the district open in Abidjan under the following title.

I am depending on your haste for the provisionment of the account in order to allow me to facen the urgent expenses that are indispensable to the functioning of our District.

The District Treasurer

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PLEASE ENCOURAGE ROTARIANS IN YOUR DISTRICT TO INCLUDE THEIR DISTRICTS AND CLUB NUMBERS WITH ALL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ROTARY FOUNDATION.

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30 SEPTEMBER, 1984 PAGE PAUL HARRIS SUSTAINING MEMBERS REPORT REG. 05 DISTRICT 910 1766 DOLLARS NEEDED TO CREDITED DATE LAST COMPLETE ID NUMBER CLUB THIS MONTH CREDITED PH NUMBER MEMBER NAME PHSM NUMBER CLUB NAME 06 07 83 420.93 .00 0116087 BICI ABIDJAN 0017155 BOUAKE CLUB TOTALS 03 02 83 27.00 0073957 BOUGEOIS MAX 0017156 SAN PEDRO CLUB TOTALS .00 TOTAL NUMBER PHSM IN DISTRICT ALL 3/2/83 DATES INDICATE DATE OF CONVERSION TO NEW COMPUTER SYSTEM, NOT THE ACTUAL DATE CONTRIBUTION WAS CREDITED THIS REPORT INCLUDES ALL CONTRIBUTIONS CREDITED TO SUSTAINING MEMBERS THROUGH 30 SEPTEMBER, 1984 PLEASE SEND ANY CORRECTIONS OF THIS REPORT IN WRITING TO CONTRIBUTIONS RECOGNITION SECTION OF THE ROTARY FOUNDATION, 1600 RIDGE AVE., EVANSTON, IL. 60201 (USA)

The international rotary gathers men who has adopted as rule of conduct to encourage and cultivate the ideal of serving. Each rotarian knows that he is not alone as Robinson Crusoe on his island but is living in a community that he has to serve gathering his efforts with those of the men from different families or professional circles. But for the rotarian toserve together they have to know each other and develop personal friendly relashionship. As one cannot be friend with an absent person, it is therefore necessary for the rotarians to see each other as often as possible, this is why the international rotary has adopted a golden rule applicable to all, that of assiduity, voult key of the whole rotarian society.

It is therefore a good thing that the notion of assiduity be well known and accepted by all members of the rotary club.

The IV article § 1 of the statutes of the rotary club provides that: the club will meet regularly once a week on the day, at the time decided by the interior rule, etc...

This disposition is completed as follows in the VIIIth article  $\S$  5 line A:

In less he fulfills the conditions provided by the present article, all active member, active or retired dean from business who does not attend 4 consicutive meetings of his club will be automatically erased, etc...

The question is to know how one can apply concretely the rules layed out by these 2 articles and what is their impact in the realization of the ideal of serving.

The assiduity to the weekly meetings is imposed to all members. In The assidulty to the The and VIIIth articles of the statute of the condensed terms the IVth and VIIIth articles of the statute of the rotary club are resumed in this sentence: each rotary club has to meet regularly once a week and each member is obliged to attend this meeting. This meeting is held in a place, on a day and at a time determined in advance by the interior regulations of the club. The comity and itself can escape from that principle modifying the day and time of the meeting in case of urgencies or for a serious cause. The comity has the right to cancel the meeting if it falls on a legal holiday, in case of the President's death, in case of a disease or disaster affecting the spot. It is to be noted that , in case of change of place or time or hour and even of cancelling of meeting appropriate dispositions are to be taken to warn the members of the club and the rotarians of the other clubs, because all visitor regularly present at the place and at usual meeting time of a club and who finds nobody is entitled to claim by all means a time card to adress to his club. Except the member of honour all rotarian whether he is an active member additional active member, dean active member or member retired from business is obliged to attend the weekly meetings. It is to be noted that to be counted present to a statutary meeting, one must attend at least 60% of the meeting.

But the statutes of the rotary club provide some rare cases of exception to the principle of assiduity and provide means for the rotarians to compensate their absences from their clubs.

The exceptions to the obligation of assiduity can be temporary. In fact, the VIIIth article provides that a rotarian sick if suffering with an infirmity can be granted a dispensation of assiduity during the entire period of his condition. The exception of obligation of assiduit can be permanent. The active member of 65 years of age at least and having 20 years in the rotary, or of 70 years of age and having 15 years in the rotary can obtain from the comity a written dispensation of assiduity. In this case his absence is not considered in the counting of assiduity rate of the club, but if their is any presence it can be considered on his demand.

Besides temporary or permanent dispensations of assiduity there is the system of compensation which allows rotarians to maintain a convenient assiduity rate. A rotarian attending a regular meeting of another club, of a temporary rotary club, of an interact club or a rotaract club who attends all meeting foreseen and convene by the central counsel, by the President of the international rotary, by the Governor of the district can be compensate by that presence his absence to a weekly meeting of his club. However, a rotarian cannot compensate altogether by presences to meetings of other clubs his absences from the meetings of his own club; the VIIIth article §5 line a gives him the obligation to attend at least 30% of his club meeting during each trimester.

The VIIIth article provides 2 cases of radiation for lack of assiduity:

First, four consecutive absences to the meeting of the club causes the erasure automatically except if those absences have been compensated or have formed the subject of excuses accepted by the comity.

It should be noted that in practise the comities are more supple because a strict application of these 2 cases of erasure would lessen the members of the club in a serious way so the comities are trying to incite their members to be assiduous and not to fall in the case of these 2 cases of erasure.

A good assiduity creates and developes the private relations of friendship between the members. Friendship like all other feelings is something to cultivate and develop. The fact for personalities of different origines and training to meet regularly once a week to exchange their ideas on a same ideal of serving, to speek together and inform one and other of professional and family situation of one and all ends up by creating professional and family situation of esteem and mutual respect which between thoses personalities feelings of esteem and mutual respect which encourages friendship. But seen one and other, meeting regularly is not enough to create friendship, the meetings are a necessary condition but not sufficient.

First of all one should avoid making clans in the club, i.e. avoid creation of small circlesof people who know each other well in a way that the same people are not always together, always sitting side by that the same people are not always together, always sitting side by that the same people are not always together, always sitting side by that the same people are not always together, always sitting side by that the same people are not always together, always sitting side by that the same people are not always together, always sitting side by that the same people are not always together, always sitting side by that the same people are not always together, always sitting side by that the same people are not always together, always sitting side by that the same people are not always together, always sitting side by that the same people are not always together, always sitting side by that the same people are not always together, always sitting side by that the same people are not always together, always sitting side by that the same people are not always together, always sitting side by that the same people are not always together, always sitting side by that the same people are not always together, always sitting side by that the same people are not always together, always sitting side by that the same people are not always together, always sitting side by that the same people are not always together, always sitting side by that the same people are not always together, always sitting side by that the same people are not always together, always sitting side by that the same people are not always together, always sitting side by that the same people are not always together, always sitting side by that the same people are not always together, always sitting side by that the same people are not always together, always sitting side by that the same people are not always together, always sitting side by the same people are not always together, always sitting side by the same people are not always together, always sitt

Communicating also with all the members to create friendship is not sufficient, the atmosphere of friendship which is to exist has to participate in every activity of the club, i.e. an effective participate in the exchange of ideas during the weekly meetings, in the tasks of the commissions and more generally a spontaneous and active participation in all that is done for and by the club.

Friendship if it exist gives birth to a real unity in the club and this unity will bring a strong force to the club. It is when friendship in the club will reach to the stage of cohesion and strenght of the club that all initiatives will combine and complete for the setting up of actions to realise the ideal of serving, essential cause of the existence of the club. The best actions of public interest in favor of the sick, the underpriviledge and all those who are suffering can only be realised by the club where friendship is prevailing.

The professional actions can only be initiated by persons living in a club where friendship is prevailing.

The international actions can only be numerous and interesting if friendship exist in the club, because how can one espect from people united only by friendship to contact and try to establish friendly relations with foreigners.

The rotarian must understand that the 20th century is a period where everything has to be done in a team. Solitary initiatives are out of fashion. But for the team work to be efficient, the team has to be united and strong that is why one has to preach assiduity over and under in the clubs, because it is the principal condition of friendship that enables to realize great task together.

# EXTRACT FROM THE R.I. NEWS.

OF JULY 1982.

The welcome of the rotarians who are passing through.

Numerous are the rotarians especially those from the North Hemisphere who will spend their vacation abroad, during the months of July, August and September which cause a certain affluence to the weekly meeting of the clubs.

In order to gain the maximum benefit from these visits see about creating a welcome commission composed of members speaking at least two foreign languages fluently. The aim of this commission will be to inform the rotarians passing through and to organize in their honour excursions or meetings on the work of the members of the club — as many important steps for the promotion of the contacts between the clubs and the international friendship.

## THER . I. AFRICAN CONFERENCE

This conference will be held from January 16 - 18 1985 at the Ivoire Hotel in Abidjan. During my official visits of the 910 district all the clubs have been sensibilized to that conference. In spite of the difficulties that certain clubs meet especially to obtain foreign currencies, most of the clubs have responded positively to my invitation and will do their best to be numerous in Abidjan to discover a new world of service.

Herebelow President Canseco's call to all rotarians for this conference.

#### Rotary International Conference in Africa

16-18 January, 1985

Since the conference held on Mauritius in November 1979, Rotarians from Africa have met again at Harare in 1980, Abidjan in 1982, Nairobi in 1983 and Swaziland in 1984. During these conferences they have worked enthusiastically to develop inter-African contacts and to promote intercountry activities.

The purpose of this sixth Rotary International Conference in Africa, which will be held from 16–18 January, 1985 in Abidjan, Ivory Coast, is to bring together Rotarians who are committed personally to work for Rotary's goal of understanding and goodwill. Through people-to-people contacts at this conference, Rotarians will have an unusual opportunity to discover new worlds of service, new ways to expand the influence and effectiveness of Rotary programmes and activities among the peoples of Africa. I ask you to DISCO-VER A NEW WORLD OF SERVICE, so that misunderstanding can be healed by understanding, so that misfortune can be alleviated by service your service.

#### Conférence du Rotary International pour l'Afrique

16-18 janvier 1985

Depuis la Conférence tenue à l'Île Maurice en novembre 1979, les Rotariens d'Afrique se sont retrouvés à Harare en 1980, à Abidjan en 1982, à Nairobi en 1983 et au Swaziland en 1984. Au cours de ces Conférences ils ont travaillé ardemment à développer les contacts inter africains et à promouvoir des activités inter pays. L'objet de cette sixième Conférence du Rotary International pour l'Afrique, qui se tiendra du 16 au 18 janvier 1985

à Abidjan, en Côte d'Ivoire, est de réunir des Rotariens, fermement décidés à travailler en faveur de la cause rotarienne, de la compréhension et de la bonne volonté. Grâce aux contacts personnels noués au cours de cette Conférence, les Rotariens auront une opportunité exceptionnelle de découvrir de nouveaux mondes de service, de nouvelles possibilités de répandre l'influence et l'efficacité des programmes et activités du Rotary dans les pays africains. Je vous demande de DÉCOUVRIR UN NOUVEAU MON-DE DE SERVICE, afin que l'incompréhension soit remplacée par la compréhension et que l'infortune soit soulagée par le service - votre service.

Carlos Canseco President, Rotary International Président du Rotary International

### ROTARY FOUNDATION

Extract from the General Ssecretary's letter of 17.09.1984.

ncourage the clubs o submit propositions o the 3H program.

This year we are asking the governors to encourage their clubs to submit to the 3H (health, hunger and human dignity) suggestions of projects to obtain subsudies particularly in the field of the oral therapy of rehydration, immunization against policyelitis, food production and professional training, These projects would have to be planed in a way that the long-dated benefits of self assistance would result for people who are helped in that way. However they cannot include the construction of buildings or buying of real estate. We are also asking you to identify at least a need of your district to which a voluntary 3H of another country could answer voluntarily offering its services during a short period in 1984-1985. Subsidies and voluntaries forms to fill in are available in the Central Bureau. Please note that we have an urgent need for optometrists and ophtalmologists to serve as volunteer. We are kindly asking you to publish those different points in your monthly letter.

pressing statistics

At August 1st 1984 41 countries had profited by the 3H project of vaccination or voluntaries... 49 projects have been approved since the birth of the program in 1978... The funds allocated to the projects amounts to more than \$US 10,800,000... More than 320 voluntaries of 32 countries have served in 29 countries... The projects of immunisation against poliomyelitis approved up to this day will enable to inoculate 23,500,000 children in 15 countries... More than 5,800,000 doses of vaccination coming gratis from different sources have been granted to 17 nations

## PAUL HARRIS SUSTAINING MEMBERS

Extract from the I.R. news of July 1982.

PAUL HARRIS SUSTAINING MEMBER! Open to everyone.

The clubs should not forget that the "Paul Harris Sustaining Member" title is open to the rotarians as well as the public. Whoever agrees to pay a share of \$US 1,000 to the Rotary Foundation for a certain period, with an initial payment of \$US 100 can claim the Paul Harris Sustaining Member title. When the total of his share would have attain \$US 1,000 the Paul Harris Fellow distinction will be confered to him. The clubs and the districts can honour a non rotarian in the same conditions.

Once the first \$US 100 are given the balance will be paid gradually. This plan has no date; besides each amount is taken to the credit of the club allowing thus a raise of the purcentages scale. Presently there are more than 48.000 Paul Harris Sustaining Members. "Paul Harris Sustaining Member" (N° 1219 - F) is the title of a brochure that can be obtained freely from the I.R. office disserving your area.

