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The district secretary shall send a report of the proceedings within 60 days after each conference, including a synopsis of all action taken by the conference, to each club in the district and to Zonta International Headquarters.

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### District Conference Report Form of the District Governor

**District:** 13

**Governor:** María José Landeira Østergård

**Conference Dates:** 4<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> September 2003

**City and Country:** Copenhagen, Denmark

**Zonta Int'l Representative:** Jacqueline Gudmundsen

### Registration

**How many clubs are in the district?**

43

**How many clubs were represented at the conference?**

In total 43: 40 present delegates and 3 proxies

**Which clubs were absent?**

The following clubs sent proxies: Area 01: Fyn, Area 03: Sunna Hafnafjordur, Area 02: Sauda & Omegn

**How many members of the host club were present?**

21 at the whole conference, plus 4 with partial participation

**What was the total registration?**

171

### Financial Information

Amount of district dues and assessments per member or per club allocated to conference: \$21 approx. per member

Amount of registration fee per member: \$142 approx. + \$190 approx. for optional social events (4 social events in total)

Approximate total cost to a member to attend the conference (including meals, accommodation, and registration, but excluding transportation): \$755 approx in single room and \$543 approx in double room, \$332 without accommodation. Approx. 70 participants could sleep at home.

<b>Zonta International Foundation Support</b>	<b>Amount Presented:</b>	<b>Goal:</b>
Rose Fund		
Amelia Earhart Fund	300	
International Service Fund	23600	
Jane M. Klausman Fund	100	
YWPA		
WHPPI	_____	_____
<b>Total ZIF Support</b>	<b>24000</b>	

**Support to other ZI Funds (if applicable)**

**Conference Business and Action Concerning Zonta International**

**What was referred to the Zonta International Board of Directors?**

Nothing

**What International Bylaws Amendments and Rules of Procedure proposals were referred to the Zonta International Bylaws and Resolutions Committee?**

*Note: This report to the Board does **not** satisfy the requirements that proposed resolutions should be sent **directly** to the Bylaws and Resolutions Committee at least 180 days before the convention, and proposed bylaws amendments must be sent **directly** to the Bylaws and Resolutions Committee within 30 days after the conference.*

None

**What International Bylaws Amendments and Rules of Procedure proposals were presented but *not* referred to the Zonta International Bylaws and Resolutions Committee?**

None

**Were Zonta International service projects highlighted at the conference? If so, how?**

Foundation Ambassador Gro Wesenberg made an impressive presentation of Zonta International Projects and their importance and encouraged all members to contribute. Furthermore Gro Wesenberg encouraged all participants to contribute to the collect made in the name of Governor. Approx. 780 USD were collected during the Conference.

**Conference Business and Action Concerning the District**

Resolutions and District Rules of Procedure Amendments (Please submit a copy of any resolutions and district rules of procedure amendment proposals showing the exact wording adopted by the conference body.)

**What resolutions were passed at the conference?**

(a) Motion Passed: Establishment of Area 02 Lithuania in 2005 with a donation of US \$1,000 as economic support. This money shall be taken from the 50.000 NOK approved for development of Zonta in Lithuania at 2001 District Conference.

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(b) Amended Motion Passed: Lithuanian clubs will become exempt from paying dues and fees to the district up to May 2007 but will put at least half of that amount into a bank account to ensure ability to pay district dues in 2007.

(c) Motion Passed: District Board will allow for economic support to the Lithuanian delegates to the 2005 District Conference by paying half of the expenses related to participation, the amount to be calculated to be approximately 3.500 NOK per delegate for a total maximum of 14.000 NOK.

(d) Motion Passed: Area Zisvaw Projects: Area Director of each area appoint a committee to recommend specific subject Zonta clubs can work with based on the issue of integration of women with roots in the 3rd world resulting in a proposal for a realistic plan of action and time schedule, such as area seminars and club meetings about discrimination .

**Note:** *District Rules of Procedure are the day-to-day operating rules of the district. For more information see the Zonta District Manual.*

**What proposed amendments to *district* rules of procedure were *adopted* at the conference?**

None

**What amendments to the *district* rules of procedure were *proposed* (but not adopted) at the conference?**

None

**Were elections held? YES  NO**  (If yes, please complete the following section.)

**Governor (*name*):** Ragna Karlsdottir, Embla Zonta Club

**Lt. Governor (*name*):** Heddy Tangen Steffensen, Stavange & Omegn Zonta Club

**Treasurer (*name*):** Tonna Madsen, Århus Zonta Club

**Area Directors (*names*):** Elected at Area Meetings. Area 01: Jytte Hansen, Area 03: Josefina Gisladdottir, Area 04: Aslaug Astad

**Vice Area Directors (*names*):** Elected at Area Meetings. Area 01: Eva Nielsen, Area 03: Gudrun Hansdottir, Area 04: Kari Remberg

**Next district conference to be held (*proposed dates including year*):** 8<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> September 2005

**Place (*name of venue*):**           **City:** Reykjavik **Country:** Iceland

**Has the information above been approved by the Zonta International President-Elect?** yes

**Host will be the Zonta Club of:** Reykjavik

### **Main Features of the Conference**

**Please describe the outstanding program events:**

For the District Conference in September 2003, the theme chosen was "Integration, Barriers and Possibilities". A panel presentation about the subject was followed by general discussion and questions. The speakers were: Minister of Refugee, Immigration and Integration Affairs Bertel Haarder; Anthropologist, Editor-in-chief of the newspaper "Weekendavisen" Anne Knudsen; Communication adviser Lone Yalcinkaya and Journalist Filomenita Mongaya Høgsholm. The Chairwomen for the Women's Council in Denmark Inge Skjoldager was moderator. Approximately 160 Zontians participated. Her Royal Highness Princess Alexandra participated at this part of the Conference and was active during the discussion. The outstanding pannel made a clear presentaiton of Integration and the problems related to it. Ideas of how Zonta as an organization could participate actively in the integration project were given. As follow up, a motion regarding a District Project on Integration was approved at the following business session. At the Business sessions, the presentations made by International Representative Jacqueline Gudmundsen and Foundation Ambassador Gro Wesenberg are highlighted. Together with the presentation made by the Governor, focus was made on the future of District 13.

The development of Lithuania, a key project in District 13, was highlighted through presentations and motions. A summary of the 4<sup>th</sup> Baltic Seminar with focus on future activities about trafficking was also presented.

Among outstanding found-raising activities it shall be mentioned the auction of the Lithographies donated by Danish Artist Maja Engelhart, which resulted in approx. 4500 USD.

**Please list Keynote speakers:**

The Minister of Refugee, Immigration and Integration Affairs Bertel Haarder; Anthropologist, Editor-in-chief of the newspaper "Weekendavisen" Anne Knudsen; Communication adviser Lone Yalcinkaya and Journalist Filomenita Mongaya Høgsholm. The Chairwomen for the Women's Council in Denmark Inge Skjoldager was moderator.

**What committee reports were given?**

Nomination Committee

**What workshops were offered?**

**What awards were given?**

**What type of publicity did the conference receive ?**

Unfortunately, the press release sent to the newspapers was not published.

### **General**

**What was most successful about this conference?**

The total event was very successful, according to the general impression given by the participants and the evaluation sheets received. The most successful was the Theme, with the outstanding speakers, the good presentations and following debate and the active participation of Her Royal Highness Princess Alexandra. The business sessions were conducted professionally and with good timing.

Highlight women issues – Focus in the future – Words followed by actions

**What could be done differently next year?**

Until now, Danish and Norwegian have been used as languages during the Conference. This should be changed to English, not only due to the Lithuanian participants (4 out of 170 this time) but also regarding all members. Many comments have been received about this subject in the evaluation sheets.

**Additional comments:**

We would like to thank the International President Margit Webjørn for the video and the words sent to us.

We would like to thank International Liaison Jacqueline Gudmundsen her participation and her very positive contributions to the Board meetings before and after the Conference. Also to her contributions during the Conference.

We would also like to thank International Directors Mari Rmasten Vangdal and Beryl Ste n, Governor D21 Monica Uddenfeldt and Lt.Governor D21 Majken Stahl for their participation.

Last but not least, thanks to International Chairman STWS Committee Kirsten Theisen for her work as Parliamentarian.

**Signature:**   
**(Governor)**

**Date:** 1<sup>st</sup> of November 2003

**Signature:**   
**(Secretary)**

**Date:** 1<sup>st</sup> of November 2003