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The International  
Psycho-Analytical Association  
Minute  
The Study Group SFP

1. The Central Executive takes note that since the Edinburgh Congress:
  - a) The Study Group has gone to considerable lengths in putting its administration in order;
  - b) The Council and Training Committee of the Study Group are seeking to implement the Edinburgh Requirements.
2. In respect of the above matters, the Central Executive congratulates Dr. Leclaire as Secretary and President on the results achieved so far.
3. The Central Executive, however, also notes, concerning Dr. Lacan, that:
  - a) He continues to have a voice in training matters;
  - b) He does not observe the Edinburgh Requirements in his analytic practice with candidates in training;
  - c) He has hindered the Advisory Committee in its work with the Council.
4. The Central Executive Committee considers that Dr. Lacan cannot any longer be accepted as a training analyst for the Study Group, and that the Edinburgh Requirement that he be progressively withdrawn from training needs to be strictly defined and enforced.
5. In consequence, the Central Executive informs the Société Française de Psychanalyse, through Dr. Leclaire its President, that the measures set out in paragraph 6 below are essential. Unless, therefore, they are explicitly implemented, continued sponsorship of the Study Group is jeopardized.
6. The following measures are essential for continued sponsorship of the Study Group:
  - a) All Members, Associate Members, Stagiaires, and Candidates of the SFP should be informed that Dr. Lacan is no longer recognized as a training analyst. This notification should be completed by October 31, 1963.

b) All candidates in training analysis with Dr. Lacan are asked to inform the Training Committee whether or not they wish to continue training, with the understanding that a further period of training analysis with an analyst acceptable to the Training Committee will be required. This notification should be completed by December 31, 1963.

c) The Training Committee, in consultation with the Advisory Committee, will interview those candidates who have expressed their wish to continue training, in order to determine their suitability. These interviews should be completed by March 31, 1964. In all these matters, the Advisory Committee will offer advice both in respect to candidates' suitability and also on the choice of a second training analyst.

7. The Central Executive has invited the Advisory Committee as currently constituted to continue to act on its behalf. Completion of the various steps outlined above should therefore be communicated to Dr. Turquet, Secretary of the Advisory Committee, in order that he can make the necessary arrangements with the Training Committee.

8. The Central Executive recognizes that in exceptional circumstances individual candidates may not be able to conform to the timetable outlined above. In such circumstances, candidates may be considered on an individual basis.

9. Copies of this Minute are being sent to the Council and Training Committee of the SFP and to the Members of the Study Group who are Members-at-Large of the International Psycho-Analytical Association.

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