

UNITED GRAND LODGE

OF

Antient, Free and Accepted Masons of England

Quarterly Communication

Holden at Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen Street, London
on Wednesday, the 14th day of December 2016

Present:

MW Bro P.G. Lowndes Pro Grand Master
RW Bro J. Spence Deputy Grand Master
RW Bro Sir David Wootton Assistant Grand Master
RW Bro Sir Michael Snyder Metropolitan Grand Master for London
RW Bro D.P.L. Hodgetts, *LVO* Provincial Grand Master for Guernsey and Alderney
RW Bro I.R. Jones Provincial Grand Master for North Wales
RW Bro R. Merritt Provincial Grand Master for Dorset
RW Bro G. Ives Provincial Grand Master for Lincolnshire
RW Bro N.E. Heaviside Provincial Grand Master for Durham
RW Bro N.J. Thompson, *DL* Provincial Grand Master for Cumberland and Westmorland
RW Bro K.M. Rondel Provincial Grand Master for Jersey
RW Bro D.V. Hagger Provincial Grand Master for Leicestershire and Rutland
RW Bro D.F. Macey Provincial Grand Master for Warwickshire
RW Bro M.J. Wilks Provincial Grand Master for Hampshire and Isle of Wight
RW Bro R.K. Dalrymple Provincial Grand Master for Isle of Man
RW Bro A.J. Vaughan Provincial Grand Master for Bristol
RW Bro C.A.S. Hadler Provincial Grand Master for Somerset
RW Bro M.W. Bayes Provincial Grand Master for Northampton and Huntingdonshire
RW Bro G.G. Dearing Provincial Grand Master for East Kent
RW Bro P.A. Taylor Provincial Grand Master for Shropshire
RW Bro M.G. Peters Provincial Grand Master for Berkshire
RW Bro G. Robertson Provincial Grand Master for Buckinghamshire
RW Bro Sir David Trippier, *RD, DL* Provincial Grand Master for East Lancashire
RW Bro I. Kingsbury Provincial Grand Master for Devonshire
RW Bro I.J. Yeldham Provincial Grand Master for Suffolk
RW Bro R.C. Vaughan Provincial Grand Master for Worcestershire
RW Bro G. Jones, *OBE* Provincial Grand Master for South Wales
RW Bro P.J. Gower Provincial Grand Master for Hertfordshire
RW Bro D.S. Pratt Provincial Grand Master for Yorkshire, West Riding

RW Bro J. Gillyon	Provincial Grand Master for Yorkshire, North and East Ridings
RW Bro S.D. Hookey	Provincial Grand Master for West Wales
RW Bro J.J. Craigs	Provincial Grand Master for Northumberland
RW Bro A.G.D. Mason	Pro Provincial Grand Master for Middlesex
RW Bro J.A. Harrison	Provincial Grand Master for West Lancashire
RW Bro D.H.T. Henderson-Ross	Provincial Grand Master for Gloucestershire
RW Bro J.R.G. Hilditch	Provincial Grand Master for Oxfordshire
RW Bro P.S.A. Bullock	Provincial Grand Master for Wiltshire
RW Bro S.C. Pearn	Provincial Grand Master for Cornwall
RW Bro A.S. Varley	Provincial Grand Master for Derbyshire
RW Bro S.M. Blank	Provincial Grand Master for Cheshire
RW Bro P.G. Marshall	Provincial Grand Master for Nottinghamshire
RW Bro R.L. Bass	Provincial Grand Master for Essex
RW Bro S.N. Allen	Provincial Grand Master for Norfolk
RW Bro W.C.M. Dastur	Provincial Grand Master for Cambridgeshire
RW Bro A.P. Henderson	Provincial Grand Master for Bedfordshire
RW Bro I.M. Chandler	Provincial Grand Master for Surrey
RW Bro C.L. Moore	Provincial Grand Master for Sussex
RW Bro R.G. Davies	Provincial Grand Master for Monmouthshire
RW Bro J. Lockley	Provincial Grand Master for Staffordshire
RW Bro Sir Stuart Hampson, <i>CVO, DL</i>	Senior Grand Warden
RW Bro the Rev Dr J.R.H. Railton	Junior Grand Warden
RW Bro A.C. Wilson, <i>PSGW</i>	President of the Board of General Purposes
VW Bro the Rev Canon M. Wilson	Grand Chaplain
RW Bro Brig W.E. Shackell, <i>CBE, PJGW</i>	Grand Secretary
RW Bro D.R. Dinsmore, <i>PJGW</i>	Grand Chancellor
VW Bro His Honour Judge R.M. Hone, <i>QC</i>	President, Masonic Charitable Foundation
W Bro M.J.P. Horlock, <i>DepGDC</i>	as Grand Director of Ceremonies
VW Bro J.C. Pagella	Grand Superintendent of Works
VW Bro Dr L.L. Porter	Grand Inspector, Malta
RW Bro Q.C.T. Humberstone, <i>PJGW</i>	Grand Treasurer
W Bro the Rev T.J.N. L'Estrange	Deputy Grand Chaplain
VW Bro J.M. Long, <i>TD, PGSwdB</i>	Deputy President, Board of General Purposes
VW Bro G.F. Redman, <i>PGSwdB</i>	Deputy Grand Secretary
VW Bro J.M. Hamill, <i>PGSwdB</i>	Deputy Grand Chancellor
W Bro M.A.J. Gurney	Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies
W Bro Dr D.R. Staples	Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies
W Bro C.B. Hopkinson-Woolley, <i>PDepGDC</i>	as Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies
W Bro R.W. Mitchell	Deputy Grand Sword Bearer
W Bro R.C. Bruce	Deputy Grand Superintendent of Works
W Bro D.A. Graeme	Senior Grand Deacon
W Bro V.J. Driver	Senior Grand Deacon
W Bro R.G.S. Wright	Senior Grand Deacon
W Bro J.C. Reid	Junior Grand Deacon
W Bro J. Boyington, <i>CBE</i>	Junior Grand Deacon
W Bro A.C. Howlett-Bolton, <i>OBE</i>	Junior Grand Deacon

W Bro C.E. Lord, <i>OBE</i>	Junior Grand Deacon
W Bro the Rev B.W. Jobber	Assistant Grand Chaplain
W Bro S.E. Medland, <i>QC</i>	Assistant Grand Registrar
W Bro J.A.L. Berry	Assistant Grand Registrar
W Bro A.G. Rayner	Assistant Grand Secretary
W Bro S.E.R. Christie	Assistant Grand Secretary
W Bro J.E. Ashford	Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies
W Bro O.W. Davison	Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies
W Bro G.W. Gonthier	Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies
W Bro B.L.T. McCormack	Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies
W Bro R.R. Montgomery	Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies
W Bro R.F.A. Pemberton	Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies
W Bro Cdr D. Hilton, <i>MBE, RN</i>	Assistant Grand Sword Bearer
W Bro A.I. Torrance	Assistant Grand Sword Bearer
W Bro N.J. Vaughan	Assistant Grand Superintendent of Works
W Bro C.J. Robinson	Assistant Grand Superintendent of Works
W Bro C.A. Jackson, <i>MVO</i>	Grand Organist
W Bro J.E. Burnapp	Grand Standard Bearer
W Bro D.N. Hanson	Grand Standard Bearer
W Bro Dr S.K. Archer	Assistant Grand Standard Bearer
W Bro C.W. Bradley	Assistant Grand Standard Bearer
W Bro S.N. Graham	Assistant Grand Standard Bearer
W Bro R.K. Jordan	Assistant Grand Standard Bearer
W Bro A.D.M. Warham	Deputy Grand Organist
W Bro A.R. Austin, <i>AGPurs</i>	as Grand Pursuivant
W Bro K.J. Law	Assistant Grand Pursuivant
W Bro A.J. Ross	Assistant Grand Pursuivant
W Bro P.F. Wynter Bee	Grand Steward
RW Bro J.G.R. Rudd, <i>DL</i> , <i>PProvGM</i> , Derbyshire	Grand Steward
W Bro F.J.C. Luard	Grand Steward
W Bro A.P.L. Fermor, <i>PAGDC</i>	Grand Steward
W Bro S.R. Forman	Grand Steward
W Bro D. Nunn, <i>PSGD</i>	Grand Steward
VW Bro J.H. Newman, <i>DepPresMCF</i>	Grand Steward
W Bro S.V. Devalia	Grand Steward
W Bro D.I. Wilson	Grand Steward
W Bro L. Lloyd	Grand Steward
W Bro M.C. Frangos, <i>PGStB</i>	Grand Steward
VW Bro G.C. Higgs, <i>PGSwdB</i>	Grand Steward
W Bro E. Regan, <i>PGStB</i>	Grand Steward
W Bro M. Brooks, <i>PJGD</i>	Grand Tyler

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

RW Bro D.K. Williamson	Past Assistant Grand Master
RW Bro G.P. Francis	Past Assistant Grand Master

A large number of Past Grand Officers, qualified Past Grand Stewards, and the Masters, Past Masters, and Wardens of many private Lodges.

VISITORS

DANISH ORDER OF FREEMASONS – GRAND LODGE OF DENMARK

MW Bro Walter Schwartz Sovereign Grand Master
RW Bro Christian Høy-Petersen Grand Chancellor

GRAND LODGE OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

MW Bro Akram Elias Past Grand Master

GRAND LODGE ALPINA OF SWITZERLAND

RW Bro Peter Rupf Junior Grand Warden
W Bro Colin Mills Representative of UGLE

GRAND LODGE OF LUXEMBOURG

MW Bro Jean Schiltz Grand Master
MW Bro Paul Geisen Past Grand Master

PRINCE HALL GRAND LODGE OF CALIFORNIA

MW Bro Donald Ware Grand Master

NORWEGIAN ORDER OF FREEMASONS – GRAND LODGE OF NORWAY

MW Bro Tore Evensen Sovereign Grand Master
VW Bro Fredrik Hilding Grand Secretary for Foreign Relations

GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF RIO DE JANEIRO

RW Bro Naruê Brito Member of the Permanent Grand Committee of Foreign Relations

UNITED GRAND LODGES OF GERMANY

RW Bro Einar Tiefenbach Assistant Grand Master for Foreign Relations

GRAND LODGE OF BRITISH FREEMASONS IN GERMANY

MW Bro Michael Cooper Past Grand Master

REGULAR GRAND LODGE OF BELGIUM

MW Bro Jacques François Grand Master

NATIONAL GRAND LODGE OF ROMANIA

VW Bro Razvan Buzatu Grand Chancellor

GRAND LODGE OF RUSSIA

MW Bro Andrey Bogdanov Grand Master

RW Bro Nikit Zikov Assistant Grand Master

A number of Master Masons not qualified to attend as Wardens.

Grand Lodge was opened in ample form and with solemn prayer at 12.00 noon.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Quarterly Communication of 14 September 2016 were taken as read and confirmed.

NOMINATION OF A GRAND MASTER

W Bro AUGUSTUS MACHADO, PAGDC: MW Pro Grand Master and Brethren, I have the honour to give notice that at the next Quarterly Communication of Grand Lodge I intend to propose that MW Bro HRH The Duke of Kent, *KG*, be re-elected Grand Master for the ensuing year.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

On the Motion of the PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES (RW Bro A.C. WILSON, PSGW), seconded by the DEPUTY PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES (VW Bro J.M. LONG, *TD*, PGSwdB), the following report of the Board of General Purposes was taken as read.

To the United Grand Lodge of Antient, Free and Accepted Masons of England

ANNUAL INVESTITURE OF GRAND OFFICERS – 26 APRIL 2017

1. So that sufficient accommodation can be reserved for those Brethren who are to be invested and their friends, admission to the Annual Investiture is by ticket only.
2. Brethren to be invested for the first time may invite to be present with them three qualified Brethren, and those to be promoted two qualified Brethren.

3. Allowance having been made for such an issue and for those whose presence in the Grand Lodge is essential, a few seats will remain. Written application for these seats may be made to the Grand Secretary between 1 March and 31 March by Brethren qualified to attend the Grand Lodge:
 - (a) Past Grand Officers;*
 - (b) Masters;
 - (c) Wardens (not Past Wardens);
 - (d) Past Masters qualified under Rule 9 of the Book of Constitutions.
4. Applications should state clearly the name, address and Lodge of the Brother concerned and under which of the four categories mentioned his application is made. If necessary, a ballot for the allocation of seats will be held in early April, and tickets will be posted to successful Brethren on or about 7 April. Brethren who have been unsuccessful will be so informed.
5. Possession of a ticket will not, of itself, ensure admission – Brethren who are not Grand Officers will be required to hand their tickets to the Scrutineers before examination by them in accordance with the usual practice at Quarterly Communications.
6. Past Grand Officers should sign the Attendance Books in the Past Grand Officers' Room, and give up their tickets before being admitted to the Grand Temple. Grand Officers taking part in the procession will sign in the Grand Officers' Room.

MASONIC YEAR BOOK

7. The next edition of the Masonic Year Book, 2017–2018, will be available next summer. The charge will be £14 per copy, plus postage and packing where appropriate. It is not proposed to produce a new edition of the Directory of Lodges and Chapters during 2017. Copies of the 2015 edition will still be available from Letchworth's shop.
8. Every Lodge will receive one copy of the Masonic Year Book free of charge. The Board emphasises that these copies should be available to all the members of private Lodges and not regarded as for the exclusive use of the Secretary to whom, for administrative reasons, they are dispatched.

* Metropolitan and Provincial Grand Masters, all other Present Grand Officers, including Grand Stewards, Deputy Metropolitan and Provincial Grand Masters, and Assistant Metropolitan and Provincial Grand Masters should not apply in this way as they will be invited specifically by letter about a month before the day of Investiture and asked to indicate on a reply slip whether they intend to be present. Similar arrangements are made for District Grand Masters who are known to intend to be in the UK on 26 April and this can be extended to others, if they write indicating their wish to attend.

METROPOLITAN AND PROVINCIAL LODGES

9. As in previous years copies will be dispatched direct to Secretaries of Lodges.

LODGES ABROAD

10. Sufficient copies will be dispatched to District Grand Secretaries for distribution to Lodges in the Districts. Lodges abroad not in a District will receive their copies direct.

PRESTONIAN LECTURES FOR 2017

11. The Board has considered applications for the delivery of the official Prestonian Lectures in 2017 and has decided that these should be given under the auspices of the following:

Lodge of the Grand Design, No. 6077 (Surrey)
Worcestershire Installed Masters Lodge, No. 6889 (Worcestershire)
Old Elizabethans' Lodge, No. 8235 (East Lancashire)
The London Grand Rank Association

12. The Lecturer, RW Bro Dr J.W. Daniel, PSGW, states that the title of the Lecture will be: *The Grand Design*.

STANDARD OF DRESS

13. The Board has on a number of occasions considered the standard of dress (including ties) to be worn by Brethren at Lodge meetings, and believes that it will be helpful if the guidance given previously is brought together, largely unchanged, under a single heading.

14. The Board is conscious that it has become common in many, if not most, Provinces as well as in London for a "Provincial tie" or a "Metropolitan tie" to be promoted – even stipulated – by the Provincial or Metropolitan Grand Master, often as part of fund raising for a charity Festival. After wide consultation some years ago the Board concluded that there should be some relaxation in the rules relating to the ties to be worn by Brethren, and commissioned – as an alternative to a plain black tie – the Craft tie, which was suitable for wear both at Masonic Meetings and in everyday life. To this tie must now be added the rather similar new Craft tie incorporating the logo recently adopted by the United Grand Lodge of England, and also, for those who are qualified, the Royal Arch tie adopted in 2010.

15. The Board accordingly recommends that
 - (a) in Grand Lodge Brethren must wear either one of the two versions of the Craft tie, or a plain black tie (without any emblem, whether in the weave or as a coloured design);
 - (b) on all other occasions, as an alternative to one of the Craft ties or a plain black tie, the relevant authorised Metropolitan, Provincial or District tie may be worn, as may the Royal Arch tie **except** that Brethren attending a Lodge in an official capacity on behalf of the MW The Grand Master or their respective Metropolitan, Provincial or District Grand Master should wear the appropriate Craft tie or a plain black tie.
16. The Board wishes to remind Brethren, however, that when visiting a Lodge in London, a Province or District they should wear one of the Craft ties, the Royal Arch tie or a plain black tie, unless the particular Metropolitan, Provincial or District Grand Master permits other Metropolitan, Provincial or District ties to be worn (a permission which should not be assumed to have been given). In the case of a meeting of a Metropolitan, Provincial and District **Grand** Lodge the Board considers that it should be left to the discretion of the individual Metropolitan, Provincial or District Grand Master which tie should be worn and by whom, but hopes that the wearing of the Royal Arch tie will not be discouraged.
17. Regimental, College or School, Hospital, Livery and similar ties may continue by established custom to be worn in Lodges associated with regiments etc. to which they relate.
18. The Board strongly reaffirms that, unless it is the custom of a Lodge to meet in evening dress, traditional morning wear or dark lounge suit, with black shoes, continues to be the appropriate dress. Shirts must have a plain white collar and, if not completely white, should be of a restrained pattern or hue.
19. The Board also recommends that at other functions where Masonic regalia is worn in the presence of non-Masons the same standard of dress must be adhered to.

FREEMASONRY AND THE MEDIA

20. With the approach of the Tercentenary of the Grand Lodge, the Board considers it appropriate to remind Brethren of the guidance on Freemasonry and the Media approved by the Grand Lodge in September 2005:

There has recently been a revival in interest in Freemasonry on the part of the broadcast media. The Board believes it timely to remind Brethren of the general advice given on this subject on previous occasions. Whilst it has no desire to prevent Brethren from voicing their views, the Board believes that participation, at both the national and local levels, in broadcast debates on Freemasonry is

best left to spokesmen who have the background knowledge and experience to participate in such events, and, preferably, have been duly authorised in advance. Any Brother who is approached to take part in a broadcast should seek guidance either from the Communications Department at Freemasons' Hall or the Communication Officer appointed by his Metropolitan, Provincial or District Grand Master. It follows also that Brethren, other than those authorised, should not voluntarily approach the media to solicit coverage.

21. In the view of the Board, that guidance is no less appropriate today and trusts that the Grand Lodge will endorse its view.

The Board of General Purposes regrets to record the death of the following Present and Past Grand Officers reported up to 15 November 2016:

RW Bro G.Y. Jerman, PProvGM, Essex
 RW Bro Maj Gen D.A. Beckett, *CB, DSO, OBE*, PSGW
 VW Bro Brig M.C. Thursby-Pelham, PGSwdB
 VW Bro C.J. Bradley, PGSwdB
 VW Bro A. Williams, PGSwdB
 VW Bro P.E. Holland, PGSwdB
 VW Bro H.N. Hall, PGSwdB
 W Bro C. Freedman, *CB*, PDepGSwdB
 W Bro F.P.V. Barker, PSGD
 W Bro B.F. Smith, PSGD
 W Bro A.W. Huntley, PSGD
 W Bro R. Head, PSGD
 W Bro M.L. Perkins, *TD*, PSGD
 W Bro P.D. Hammond, PSGD
 W Bro R.F. Wilkinson, PJGD
 W Bro S.F. Price, PJGD
 W Bro J.K. Shaw, PJGD
 W Bro C.E. Peters, *DFC*, PJGD
 W Bro Dr E.C. Cummings, PJGD
 W Bro C. Dowell, PJGD
 W Bro A.J. Oakes, PJGD
 W Bro F.R. Towersey, PJGD
 W Bro W.D. Williams, PJGD
 W Bro A.E. Leech, PJGD
 W Bro S.E. Mills, PJGD

Death of Grand Officers (*continued*)

W Bro K.J. Khubchandani, PJGD
W Bro D.W. Brown, PJGD
W Bro T.S. Climpson, PJGD
W Bro M.W.J. Reid, PJGD
W Bro J.G. Adams, PJGD
W Bro Dr K.G. Mason, PJGD
W Bro J.A. Thrower, PJGD
W Bro H.E. Gaffney, PAGDC
W Bro P.J. Caird, PAGDC
W Bro A. Gibson-Leitch, PAGDC
W Bro W.A.J. Thompson, PAGDC
W Bro G.Y. Papworth, PAGDC
W Bro D.A. Davies, PAGDC
W Bro J.J. Mitchell, PAGDC
W Bro K.M. Paylor, PAGDC
W Bro J.R. Gray, PAGDC
W Bro A.C. Batcheler, PAGDC
W Bro J.S. Nesbitt, PAGDC
W Bro G.D. Bailey, PAGDC
W Bro A.H. Ford-Giltrap, PAGDC
W Bro L.A.T. Mills, PAGDC
W Bro B.J. Phillips, PAGDC
W Bro P.H.S. Thomas, PAGDC
W Bro K.C. Gamston, PAGDC
W Bro C.A. Lokko, PAGDC
W Bro I.D.L. Bany, PAGDC
W Bro C.J.H. Matthee, PAGDC
W Bro P.R. Lobb, PAGDC
W Bro W.G. Bullough, PAGDC
W Bro J.C. Alabone, PAGDC
W Bro R.H. Turpin, *OBE*, PAGDC
W Bro P.A. Richards, PAGDC
W Bro C.G. Pheasant, PAGDC
W Bro B.E. Ogbuagu, PAGSwdB
W Bro R.K.W. Cooley, PAGSwdB
W Bro J.K. Garland, PAGSwdB

Death of Grand Officers (*continued*)

W Bro R.C. Evans, PAGSuptWks
 W Bro G.S. Seabrook, PAGSuptWks
 W Bro S.G. Shepherd, PGStB
 W Bro N. Sotiriadis, PGStB
 W Bro R. Gillett-Toone, PGStB
 W Bro M.L. Clewer, PGStB
 W Bro O.J.S. Moore, PGStB
 W Bro G. Coates, PGStB
 W Bro G. Cooke, PGStB
 W Bro A. Yarinakis, PGStB
 W Bro A.E. Sibbons, PGStB
 W Bro E. Bilton, PGStB
 W Bro A.R. Perry, PGStB
 W Bro D.J. Bevan, PGStB
 W Bro J.A. Cory, PGStB
 W Bro M.J. Oliver, PGStB
 W Bro M.J. Parkes, PGStB
 W Bro E.N. Ward, PAGStB
 W Bro M.J. Stodel, PAGStB
 W Bro G.E. Chipps, PAGStB

ERASURE OF LODGES

22. The Board has received a report that twenty-four Lodges have closed and have surrendered their Warrants. The Lodges are:

Mariners Lodge, No. 249 (West Lancashire)
 Huyshe Lodge, No. 1099 (Devonshire)
 Hamer Lodge, No. 1393 (West Lancashire)
 Runymede Lodge, No. 2430 (Buckinghamshire)
 Sir Walter Raleigh Lodge, No. 2432 (London)
 Trinity Lodge, No. 2595 (Devon)
 Golden Hope Lodge, No. 3059 (Orange Free State)
 Mildmay Coronation Lodge, No. 3536 (Middlesex)
 Tower of Sir Frances Drake, No. 3583 (West Lancashire)
 Eddystone Lodge, No. 3925 (Devon)
 Fidelity Lodge, No. 4902 (Northumberland)
 St Nicholas Lodge, No. 5298 (East Kent)

Bond Stone Lodge, No. 5364 (London)
Bancroftian Lodge, No. 5619 (London)
St Patrick's Lodge, No. 5742 (Middlesex)
Ionic Lodge, No. 6344 (Northumberland)
Sutton Lodge, No. 6580 (Devonshire)
Odendaalsrus Lodge, No. 7229 (Orange Free State)
Vale of Caterham Lodge, No. 7316 (Surrey)
Croydon Millenary Lodge, No. 7745 (Surrey)
Knott End Lodge, No. 8674 (West Lancashire)
Mwana Lodge, No. 8706 (Zambia)
Churston Ferrers Lodge, No. 8779 (Devonshire)
Pride of Surrey Lodge, No. 9167 (Surrey)

23. Over recent years, the Lodges have found themselves no longer viable. The Board is satisfied that further efforts to save them would be to no avail and therefore has no alternative but to recommend that they be erased. A Resolution to this effect appears at item 4 of the Paper of Business.

FREEMASONS' HALL, LONDON
15 November 2016

(signed) A.C. WILSON
President

PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES: MW Pro Grand Master and Brethren, the Board's report contains the usual administrative procedures for next year's Investiture, as well as the details of the Prestonian Lecture, and the list of Lodges that have surrendered their Warrants and appear for erasure. As regards the latter, I would mention that numerical dyslexia has crept into the number given for Ionic Lodge, which of course should have been 6344 and not 6334!

Of greater substance, may I draw your attention to the guidance on standards of dress, including ties, in paragraphs 3.13 to 3.19? This is a consolidation of previous advice with the addition of the last paragraph that reads, "The Board also recommends that at other functions where Masonic regalia is worn in the presence of non-Masons the same standard of dress must be adhered to".

However, since the Paper of Business has been sent out several Brethren have queried the recommendation made at paragraph 3.15(b) that Brethren attending a Lodge in an official capacity on behalf of the MW the Grand Master or their respective Metropolitan, Provincial or District Grand Master should wear the appropriate Craft tie or a plain black tie. For the avoidance of doubt an appropriate tie may well be the Metropolitan or Provincial tie.

Lastly, I would like to draw your attention to paragraph 3.20 in which the Board has reiterated its strong advice on dealing with the media, which is even

more pertinent given the possibility of heightened interest arising from the television documentary.

MW Pro Grand Master and Brethren, I move that the Report of the Board of General Purposes as amended be adopted and entered in the Minutes.

The Motion was seconded by the DEPUTY PRESIDENT and was agreed to.

MW PRO GRAND MASTER: Brethren, the Board's Report lists the names of those Grand Officers whose deaths were reported up to 15 November. Since the Paper of Business was prepared, news has been received of the death at the age of 90, of RW Bro Major General Rudolph Green, *CD*, *PJGW*, a holder of the Grand Master's Order of Service to Masonry. He was also a Past Deputy District Grand Master of Jamaica and the Cayman Islands.

The Brethren stood in silence.

RESOLUTION FOR THE GRAND LODGE

ERASURE OF LODGES

THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES moved the erasure from the register of the Grand Lodge of the following Lodges:

Mariners Lodge, No. 249 (West Lancashire); Huyshe Lodge, No. 1099 (Devonshire); Hamer Lodge, No. 1393 (West Lancashire); Runymede Lodge, No. 2430 (Buckinghamshire); Sir Walter Raleigh Lodge, No. 2432 (London); Trinity Lodge, No. 2595 (Devon); Golden Hope Lodge, No. 3059 (Orange Free State); Mildmay Coronation Lodge, No. 3536 (Middlesex); Tower of Sir Frances Drake, No. 3583 (West Lancashire); Eddystone Lodge, No. 3925 (Devon); Fidelity Lodge, No. 4902 (Northumberland); St Nicholas Lodge, No. 5298 (East Kent); Bond Stone Lodge, No. 5364 (London); Bancroftian Lodge, No. 5619 (London); St Patrick's Lodge, No. 5742 (Middlesex); Ionic Lodge, No. 6344 (Northumberland); Sutton Lodge, No. 6580 (Devonshire); Odendaalsrus Lodge, No. 7229 (Orange Free State); Vale of Caterham Lodge, No. 7316 (Surrey); Croydon Millenary Lodge, No. 7745 (Surrey); Knott End Lodge, No. 8674 (West Lancashire); Mwana Lodge, No. 8706 (Zambia); Churston Ferrers Lodge, No. 8779 (Devonshire); and Pride of Surrey Lodge, No. 9167 (Surrey).

The Motion was seconded by the DEPUTY PRESIDENT and was agreed to.

GRAND LODGE WAS CALLED OFF

THE MASONIC CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

MW PRO GRAND MASTER: Brethren, we are to receive a presentation on the Masonic Charitable Foundation and I call on VW Bro His Honour Judge Richard Hone, *QC*, President of the Masonic Charitable Foundation, and David Innes, who is Chief Executive of the Foundation.

VW BRO HIS HONOUR JUDGE R.M. HONE, *QC*: MW Pro Grand Master and Brethren, I am truly delighted to be able to address Grand Lodge for the first time, as President of the Masonic Charitable Foundation, and I am proud indeed to be the first person to hold this position.

The launch of the Foundation marks a new era in the long and distinguished history of Masonic charity and is the logical conclusion to increasing collaboration between the four individual charities over recent years.

Our new charity, which has been formed following the consolidation of the four central Masonic charities, opened for business in April this year. The work necessary to establish the Foundation I am glad to report is now largely complete, it has been a very significant undertaking to bring together four quite substantial charities that have operated separately for many, many years and, in the case of the Royal Masonic Trust for Girls and Boys, since 1762.

In recent times, the earlier charities have supported 5,000 Freemasons and their family members each year, at an annual cost of around £15 million, and we anticipate operating on this scale, and probably on an even higher scale, in the near future.

Behind these statistics, there are thousands of stories about Masonic families across England and Wales, whose lives have been blighted by unexpected distress. Each story is unique – some are affected by financial hardship, others by ill health, disability, or just plain old age! Some stories are brief, whilst others extend for many years of support by the new Masonic Charitable Foundation.

There are three things in common. First, everyone involved is a Freemason, or his wife, widow, partner, child and nowadays even the grandchildren. The second common feature is that all of them have experienced some kind of awful challenge that has made their lives difficult, verging on impossible. The third is that we at the centre here have supported them. It is this third common feature that has been the main driver for establishing the Foundation and is the area where the greatest benefit will be felt. With our single charity, it is now much easier to understand and easier to access the support we can provide.

An additional advantage, and one that is particularly beneficial to the reputation of Freemasonry as a whole, is that bringing the charities together has created a substantial organisation within the UK charities sector. This will help us to raise our public profile and allow us to have a significant voice of influence within the UK charity sector.

Through the work of the previous charities, Freemasons, and I mean you Brethren all, have provided support amounting to over £100 million in recent years to charities and also medical research projects across England and Wales, it is a fantastic achievement.

The Foundation will continue this legacy and since our launch in April, three hundred and fifty grants totalling over £3 million have been awarded to non-Masonic causes, and more are planned before the end of this financial year.

Next year, 2017, in addition to our main grant-making programme, we will help celebrate the Tercentenary by awarding 300 additional grants totalling £3 million to local charities operating throughout England and Wales. Over the past two months Metropolitan and Provincial Grand Lodges have been nominating charities for these 'Community Awards'. In January, we will be asking the selected charities to submit formal bids outlining the purpose and size of the grant they would like. Once the submissions have been reviewed and confirmed, we will be inviting everyone – and I mean both the Masonic community and the general public – to vote for those charities that have been put forward.

Freemasonry will therefore be helping more charities than ever before during this important year and by involving the public in the voting process, many people will come to learn about the charitable nature of our fraternity.

Bringing the four charities together has also allowed us to improve the way we communicate with those who make our work possible: Almoners, Charity Stewards and many, many others.

Last month, we hosted our first Provincial Grand Almoners Conference in Manchester under the Masonic Charitable Foundation banner. One of the key themes was to provide guidance and training to those who are most closely involved in the application process. Similarly, we held a Festival Forum here at Freemasons' Hall – a one-day conference, which brings together those running appeals so that they can share ideas, learn from one another and, as a result, raise more funds for our cause.

Whilst part of our yearly income comes from the Annual Contribution, the Masonic Charitable Foundation, like the predecessors, will continue to rely on the Festival system for the majority of its income. For the next few years, festivals are still in place for the separate charities and this year the Provinces of Norfolk, Cumberland and Westmorland, Cheshire, and Hampshire and Isle of Wight have all successfully concluded appeals, with the latter setting a new record of £7.7 million raised. A truly remarkable performance!

(Applause)

This year, the first appeals for the Masonic Charitable Foundation have been launched in Essex, Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire, with West Lancashire and Worcestershire to follow very soon in the New Year.

It is my privilege to represent the Masonic Charitable Foundation as its President, but I must pass on the thanks for the good work that has taken place to get the new charity off the ground. Led by the Deputy President, VW Bro James H. Newman, the Trustees and, of course, the wonderful staff at the Masonic Charitable Foundation have taken on so much of that responsibility.

They have all worked so hard over the last year or more and have achieved an enormous amount including a smooth transition, as you will very shortly hear from David Innes.

Brethren, Masonic charity has been a largely untold story. As I never tire of saying, Masonic charity truly is a terrific force for good and the world should know it.

I hand you now over to David Innes.

DAVID INNES: MW Pro Grand Master, Brethren all; Good Morning. It is a huge privilege for me as the Masonic Charitable Foundation's first Chief Executive to be helping to shape the next chapter in the proud history of Masonic charitable support, and I am really enjoying the challenge.

At the time of my previous address to Grand Lodge in March, Leicester City sat at the top of the Premier League, David Cameron had no intention of leaving No. 10 this year and Donald Trump seemed far from securing the Republican nomination, let alone winning the Presidential race! Clearly a lot can happen in nine months and that has certainly been the case within the Masonic Charitable Foundation.

Back in March, you may recall that I spoke about a three-phase consolidation process to create the Foundation in the course of this year.

The first stage was ensuring that the required legal and governance foundations were set in place to underpin a new, integrated organisation with the appropriate structure and systems for the future. I'm pleased to report that this phase, which also involved the transfer of all central Masonic charity staff to the Masonic Charitable Foundation, and Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution staff to the new Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution Care Company, was completed successfully on 1 April.

The second phase, which took place during the summer months, was the actual reorganisation itself and the physical relocation of staff into their new teams, albeit in temporary locations. Again, this has been completed successfully and all staff are now in their new posts with new contracts.

The final phase is still ongoing and involves a period of "bedding in" during which the policies and procedures of the Masonic Charitable Foundation are being finalised, and the new systems needed to run the charity are becoming fully operational, such as our new grant-management software. We have also undertaken a major job evaluation exercise to ensure that every employee, irrespective of their former charity, is paid on a fair and equal basis, and that salaries are set in line with the sector.

I am delighted with the way that all our staff have approached this potentially very unsettling period for them. They quickly grasped the concept of what we were trying to achieve, and have willingly embraced new ways of working. Several members of the team have worked for the charities for over twenty years and many more in excess of ten years, and I am absolutely thrilled that we have been able to retain so much experience and expertise as our new organisation takes shape. The bottom line, not at all surprisingly is that the staff have been absolutely fantastic!

From my own perspective, I handed over responsibility for Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution Care Company to the new Managing Director, Mark LLoyd, in October. Since then, I have been able to focus fully on the Masonic Charitable Foundation. I have formed a Senior Leadership Team comprising Directors and Heads of Department which meets monthly to assist me in running the charity, but it is fair to say that the majority of the day-to-day management for grant-making and fundraising lies in the very capable hands of the Chief Operating Officer, Les Hutchinson.

We have recently appointed a new Finance Director, Charles Angus, who brings a great deal of experience and is settling in very well. Charles has taken over from our Interim Finance Director, Chris Head and MW Pro Grand Master may I take this opportunity to thank Chris for all that he has done to help get the Masonic Charitable Foundation up-and-running during the past ten months.

The Finance function was undoubtedly the most complex to integrate and, together with the Finance Committee, chaired by Mike Heenan, the team have put in a huge amount of work to create a unified accounting system that is both fit for purpose and statutorily compliant.

The only major element of phase three outstanding is the reconfiguration of our office accommodation, most of which is two storeys directly below us. During this two month project, which began on Monday this week, we have set up temporary office accommodation in the Gallery Suite here in Freemasons' Hall, and we will be moving back downstairs in early February.

The refit will remove further barriers – both physical and psychological – and enable the staff to work together far more efficiently within a shared culture and working environment. It has also – I am bound to say – served as an extremely effective spring-cleaning exercise!

At the current time, the Trustees and the staff are working hard to ensure that everyone is aware of the changes that have taken place, and to firmly entrench the single charity concept and our new brand into the consciousness of the Craft.

Many visits have been made to Provinces by our Trustees and senior management to spread the word and we are extremely grateful to all those Provincial Grand Masters, who have given us the opportunity to speak in their Provinces.

All of us involved in the consolidation process have stressed that there should be no adverse effect whatsoever on the charitable services we provide to those in need. As far as I am aware, that has indeed been the case. You may also be interested to know that, following our launch, enquires for support have increased with over twelve-hundred received within the last three months alone.

Looking to the future, the Foundation will continue to provide its wide range of grants for Freemasons and their families experiencing a financial, health or family need as we have always done. But having a single charity with broad objects provides us with opportunities that go far beyond just financial grants. We now have the chance to adapt our charity to be more responsive and to offer new services to meet the needs of the Masonic community, now and in the future.

Whilst the Craft will quite rightly spend much of next year celebrating the remarkable milestone of the Tercentenary, our thoughts are already turning to the longer-term – as we look to build a new charity for a new generation.

Now that the Trustee Board and the Committees that serve it are up and running and working well, over the next few months they will be looking to formulate a forward-looking strategy for the Foundation that will dictate the direction of travel over the next five years.

We are keeping a very open mind about what we could do better to support those in need and are willing to explore all manner of proposals, however radical they may appear.

I would like to take this opportunity to reassure you that the views of the Craft will be sought and represented in our discussions. Indeed, our first members meeting and AGM takes place later today, at which two nominated Members from each Province and London will be provided with an update about our work, and the opportunity to comment and question our activities, and we are looking forward to welcoming the Deputy Grand Master later this afternoon.

We plan to share an overview of our strategy with the Craft towards the middle of next year and this should provide you with a sense of what the Foundation will look like in the future.

For now though, and with only the final couple of weeks of the year remaining, I am delighted with where we are and am very confident your charity is well placed for the future.

MW Pro Grand Master and Brethren, on behalf of everyone at the Masonic Charitable Foundation, I wish you a Happy Christmas and thank you very much for all you do to support the Foundation.

Thank you.

(Applause)

MW PRO GRAND MASTER: Brethren, I'm going to ask you to do that all over again in a moment.

(Laughter)

I just also want you to know that, while David Innes talked about the last nine months, quite a lot went on before then to get us where we are over a period of years. I have to pay tribute to the Deputy Grand Master in that respect because Charities come under his auspices. He spent hours and hours with other senior members of the Grand Lodge team and with the Presidents of the four original Charities, their Chief Executives and their boards of trustees. It didn't just happen overnight Brethren; there was a lot to get right; not all had exactly the same interests, but we got there in the end, and I am enormously grateful to all those who were involved in that process.

Brethren, I don't know about you but after what I have heard today from the two people who have been speaking I am absolutely certain we have done the right thing and that we have the right people in charge of our very, very important Charitable Foundation, so you can do the applause all over again now Brethren.

(Applause)

GRAND LODGE WAS CALLED ON

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MW PRO GRAND MASTER: Brethren, you have heard already a certain amount of what I am now going to say, but it bears repetition.

I am pleased to tell you that in the course of this year, four Charity Festivals have been held. They were on behalf of:

The Masonic Samaritan Fund, held by the Province of Cheshire on Friday 20 May, which raised in excess of £3 million;

The Grand Charity, held by the Province of Norfolk on Thursday 26 May, which raised over £2 million;

The Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, held by the Province of Cumberland and Westmorland on Saturday 25 June, which raised nearly £1.7 million; and

The Royal Masonic Trust for Girls and Boys, held by the Province of Hampshire and Isle of Wight on Saturday 22 October, which raised over £7.7 million.

Brethren, I am sure that you will join me again in congratulating the Provinces on the great success of their Festivals, and in particular those Masons who were instrumental in helping to raise so much money for our Charities.

(Applause)

Brethren, I have to announce that the MW The Grand Master has made the following appointment:

W Bro Anthony Strong, PSGD, as District Grand Master for KwaZulu-Natal, in succession to RW Bro Douglas Leonard Kirton, who died on 11 June 2016. Bro Strong will be installed on 25 February 2017.

WELCOME

MW PRO GRAND MASTER: Brethren, I would like on your behalf to welcome some distinguished Brethren from overseas who are with us today.

From the Danish Order of Freemasons – Grand Lodge of Denmark, we have, the Sovereign Grand Master, MW Bro Walter Schwartz; he is accompanied by the Grand Chancellor, RW Bro Christian Høy-Petersen.

I am going to break with tradition here Brethren and ask you to wait till the end for applause, because there are quite a lot of them and I don't want to wear your hands out.

From the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, MW Bro Akram Elias, Past Grand Master;

from the Grand Lodge Alpina of Switzerland, the Junior Grand Warden, RW Bro Peter Rupf; he is accompanied by our Representative at that Grand Lodge, W Bro Colin Mills;

from the Grand Lodge of Luxembourg, the Grand Master, MW Bro Jean Schiltz; he is accompanied by MW Bro Paul Geisen, Past Grand Master;

from the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of California, the Grand Master, MW Bro Donald Ware;

from the Norwegian Order of Freemasons – Grand Lodge of Norway, the Sovereign Grand Master, MW Bro Tore Evensen; he is accompanied by the Grand Secretary for Foreign Relations, RW Bro Fredrik Hilding;

from the Grand Lodge of the State of Rio de Janeiro, RW Bro Naruê Brito, Member of the Permanent Grand Committee of Foreign Relations;

from the United Grand Lodges of Germany, the Assistant Grand Master for Foreign Relations, RW Bro Einar Tiefenbach; and from the Grand Lodge of British Freemasons in Germany, MW Bro Michael Cooper, Past Grand Master;

from the Regular Grand Lodge of Belgium, the Grand Master, MW Bro Jacques François;

from the National Grand Lodge of Romania, the Grand Chancellor, VW Bro Razvan Buzatu; and

from the Grand Lodge of Russia, the Grand Master, MW Bro Andrey Bogdanov; he is accompanied by the Assistant Grand Master, RW Bro Nikit Zykov.

You may applaud now Brethren.

(Applause)

From our own Constitution, we have, from Hong Kong and the Far East, RW Bro Peter H.Y. Wong, Past District Grand Master;

from Malta, the Grand Inspector, VW Bro Dr Lawrence L. Porter;

from Eastern Archipelago, W Bro James Valentine, PAGDC, Past District Grand Secretary; he is accompanied by W Bro Vijay K. Natarajan, a Past Master of Centenarian Lee Keng Hong Lodge;

from Gibraltar, W Bro Selvan R. Soobiah, PAGDC;

from Sri Lanka, W Bro David S. Rose, PAGDC; and

from Trinidad and Tobago, W Bro Stephen B. Cobham, Past Deputy District Grand Director of Ceremonies.

I have had no notice of any other distinguished visitors from overseas. However, I extend on your behalf a very warm welcome to all Brethren who have travelled a long distance to be with us today.

(Applause)

PRO GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

MW PRO GRAND MASTER: Brethren, our December meeting is always one of the best attended and I am really encouraged to see so many of you here today. In particular well done to Lincolnshire with over one hundred members travelling here; forty from Wiltshire; twenty all the way from Yorkshire, West Riding and, I believe, that there are sixteen newly installed Masters from Oxfordshire. Since we changed the rules to allow Master Masons to attend Grand Lodge we have had an excellent display of light blue aprons and they are very much in evidence today. Bearing in mind work commitments and the eccentricities of our transport system it is a tremendous effort.

(Laughter)

I have recently received a copy of the Report of the New and Young Masons' Club Conference and was delighted to learn just how well the Clubs are progressing with over three hundred established across London and the Provinces. This is a fantastic achievement and I would encourage those new Masons in Provinces without such a Club to consider setting one up. You would have our full support and I am sure you would be greatly encouraged by your Provincial hierarchy. Indeed I have asked RW Bro Gareth Jones, *OBE*, Provincial Grand Master for South Wales and Third Grand Principal to act as the focal point here for that movement. It really is a splendid initiative and I congratulate all those involved.

We have heard a lot about Charity during the course of today and I have frequently said how proud we should be of all our Charities and not just what were the big four. They all do tremendous work. You have already heard that during the course of this year the astonishing sum of £14.5 million was raised through the hard work of our brethren. The Hampshire and Isle of Wight Festival total, again as you have heard, of nearly £7.75 million is the highest ever total. Brethren, I can't believe that it was all down to me having moved into Hampshire last year; (*Laughter*) I suspect that it is coincidental. Across the board the money raised per capita by all four Provinces in Festivals during 2016 was extraordinary and of a similar level. Brethren, your generosity is not taken for granted and is greatly appreciated.

You have also heard from the Masonic Charitable Foundation about its scheme to give to your local Charities £3 million next year in recognition of both their formation and, of course, our Tercentenary. This not only shows your generosity but is also aimed at promoting our involvement in the community.

Brethren, I know that some of you have become frustrated at not being able to get hold of one of our Tercentenary Jewels. Please be assured that there are now plenty available in Letchworth's. Unfortunately, initial demand far outstripped supply. In spite of your frustration, may I ask you to beware of cheap imitations. Sadly they do exist and are being offered at a very reduced price, but they are unauthorised and unlawful copies. We are working closely with the Provinces to get them all removed.

The Deputy Grand Master mentioned in September that the Sky Documentary entitled "Inside the Freemasons" would be shown in January, however this has now been put back to sometime in the Spring. I have seen three of these so far, there are five in all and have been most encouraged at the sensitive way that we have been portrayed by Emporium, the makers of the film. I would like to thank those Provinces, Lodges and, perhaps most of all, those individuals who have so willingly participated.

This gives us a great opportunity in the early part of the year to capitalise on the publicity being generated and we anticipate that other high profile events throughout the year will keep us in the public eye and produce some really positive results. These are exciting times and let us celebrate in style by showing our pride in and talking about our membership. I am absolutely certain that we will all enjoy a splendid year in 2017.

In the meantime, I thank you all for what you have done for Freemasonry in preparing for next year. Keep the enthusiasm going and have a very happy Christmas.

(Applause)

At the close of the proceedings, the first verse of the National Anthem was sung.

The Grand Lodge was closed in ample form and with solemn prayer.

The meeting closed at 12.53 p.m.

RECORDED ATTENDANCE AT THE GRAND LODGE

Grand Officers (including Present Grand Stewards)	605
Masters, Wardens and Past Masters	603
Master Masons not qualified as Wardens	104
Visitors	17
Total	<u>1329</u>

LIST OF NEW LODGES FOR WHICH WARRANTS HAVE BEEN GRANTED BY
THE MW THE GRAND MASTER SHOWING THE DATES FROM WHICH
THEIR WARRANTS BECAME EFFECTIVE

DATE OF WARRANT/ No. AND NAME OF LODGE	LOCATION	AREA
<i>14 September 2016</i>		
9935 Lodge of Restoration	Birmingham	Worcestershire
9936 Scoutcraft Lodge	Bristol	Bristol
9937 Aedificandum Lodge	Droitwich	Worcestershire
9938 David Kenneth Williamson Lodge	London	London
9939 Hampshire and Isle of Wight Motorcyclists Lodge	Farnborough	Hampshire and Isle of Wight
9940 Middlesex Armed Forces Lodge	Twickenham	Middlesex
<i>9 November 2016</i>		
9941 Columbanus Lodge	Bristol	Somerset

APPENDIX

**GRAND LODGES RECOGNISED BY
THE UNITED GRAND LODGE OF ENGLAND**

The following is a list of all the Grand Lodges recognised by the United Grand Lodge of England as of 14 December 2016. They are listed alphabetically and according to geographical location.

These Grand Lodges are also listed with their addresses in our Masonic Year Book 2016–2017 from pages 296 to 318.

It cannot be too strongly emphasised that members of English Constitution Lodges may visit only those Lodges which are under the jurisdictions listed, and only members of Lodges under these jurisdictions are allowed to attend English Constitution Lodges. It is also important that NO attempt should be made to communicate directly with any of the Grand Lodges listed until on their territory, for to do so would contravene Masonic protocol. If Brethren have any doubt about the regularity of a particular Lodge, or whether there is recognised Freemasonry in a certain country and, if so, whether there is any particular point which should be watched, they should check (preferably in writing) with the Grand Secretary's Office at Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen Street, London, WC2B 5AZ.

AFRICA

Benin, Grand Lodge of
Burkina Faso, Grand Lodge of
Cameroon, Grand Lodge of
Congo, Grand Lodge of
Gabon, Grand Lodge of
Ghana, Grand Lodge of
Guinea, National Grand Lodge of
Ivory Coast, Grand Lodge of
Liberia, Grand Lodge of the Republic of
Madagascar, National Grand Lodge of
Mali, National Grand Lodge of
Mauritius, Grand Lodge of
Morocco, Regular Grand Lodge of
the Kingdom of
Nigeria, Grand Lodge of
Sénégal, Grand Lodge of
South Africa, Grand Lodge of
Togo, National Grand Lodge of

ASIA

China, Grand Lodge of
(Reconstituted In Taipei In 1954)
India, Grand Lodge of
Israel, Grand Lodge of the State of
Japan, Grand Lodge of
Philippine Islands, Grand Lodge of the

AUSTRALASIA

New South Wales and the ACT,
United Grand Lodge of
New Zealand, Grand Lodge of
Queensland, Grand Lodge of
South Australia and Northern Territory,
Grand Lodge of
Tasmania, Grand Lodge of
Victoria, United Grand Lodge of
Western Australia, Grand Lodge of

EUROPE

Albania, Grand Lodge of
 Andorra, Grand Lodge of
 Armenia, Grand Lodge of
 Austria, Grand Lodge of
 Belgium, Regular Grand Lodge of
 Bosnia and Herzegovina,
 Grand Lodge of
 Bulgaria, United Grand Lodge of
 Croatia, Grand Lodge of
 Cyprus, Grand Lodge of
 Czech Republic, Grand Lodge of the
 Denmark, Grand Lodge of
 (The Danish Order of Freemasons)
 Estonia, Grand Lodge of
 Finland, Grand Lodge of
 France, National Grand Lodge of
 Germany, United Grand Lodges of
 Greece, Grand Lodge of
 Hungary, Symbolic Grand Lodge of
 Iceland, Grand Lodge of
 (Icelandic Order of Freemasons)
 Ireland, Grand Lodge of
 Italy, Regular Grand Lodge of
 Latvia, Grand Lodge of
 Lithuania, Grand Lodge of
 Luxembourg, Grand Lodge of
 Macedonia, Grand Lodge of
 Malta, Sovereign Grand Lodge of
 Moldova, Grand Lodge of
 Monaco, National Regular Grand Lodge
 of the Principality of
 Montenegro, Grand Lodge of
 Netherlands, Grand East of the
 Norway, Grand Lodge of
 (The Norwegian Order of Freemasons)
 Poland, National Grand Lodge of
 Portugal, Regular Grand Lodge of
 (Legal)
 Romania, National Grand Lodge of
 Russia, Grand Lodge of
 San Marino, Grand Lodge of the
 Most Serene Republic of

EUROPE (*continued*)

Scotland, Grand Lodge of
 Serbia, Regular Grand Lodge of
 Slovakia, Grand Lodge of
 Slovenia, Grand Lodge of
 Spain, Grand Lodge of
 Sweden, Grand Lodge of
 (The Swedish Order of Freemasons)
 Switzerland, Grand Lodge Alpina of
 Turkey, Grand Lodge of
 Ukraine, Grand Lodge of

NORTH AMERICA**CANADA**

Alberta, Grand Lodge of
 British Columbia and Yukon,
 Grand Lodge of
 Canada, Grand Lodge of
 (In the Province of Ontario)
 Manitoba, Grand Lodge of
 New Brunswick, Grand Lodge of
 Newfoundland and Labrador,
 Grand Lodge of
 Nova Scotia, Grand Lodge of
 Ontario, Prince Hall Grand Lodge of
 Prince Edward Island, Grand Lodge of
 Quebec, Grand Lodge of
 Saskatchewan, Grand Lodge of

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Alabama, Grand Lodge of
 Alaska, Grand Lodge of
 Alaska, Prince Hall Grand Lodge of
 Arizona, Grand Lodge of
 Arizona, Prince Hall Grand Lodge of
 Arkansas, Grand Lodge of
 California, Grand Lodge of
 California, Prince Hall Grand Lodge of
 Colorado, Grand Lodge of
 Colorado and its jurisdiction,
 Prince Hall Grand Lodge of
 Connecticut, Grand Lodge of

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA *(continued)*

Connecticut, Prince Hall Grand Lodge of
 Delaware, Grand Lodge of
 Delaware, Prince Hall Grand Lodge of
 District of Columbia, Grand Lodge of the
 District of Columbia,

Prince Hall Grand Lodge of the
 Florida, Grand Lodge of
 Georgia, Grand Lodge of
 Hawaii, Grand Lodge of
 Hawaii, Prince Hall Grand Lodge of
 Idaho, Grand Lodge of
 Illinois, Grand Lodge of
 Illinois,

Prince Hall Grand Lodge of the State of
 Indiana, Grand Lodge of
 Indiana, Prince Hall Grand Lodge of
 Iowa, Grand Lodge of
 Iowa, Prince Hall Grand Lodge of
 Kansas, Grand Lodge of
 Kansas and its jurisdiction,

Prince Hall Grand Lodge of
 Kentucky, Grand Lodge of
 Louisiana, Grand Lodge of
 Maine, Grand Lodge of
 Maryland, Grand Lodge of
 Maryland, Prince Hall Grand Lodge of
 Massachusetts, Grand Lodge of
 Massachusetts and its jurisdiction,

Prince Hall Grand Lodge of
 Michigan, Grand Lodge of
 Michigan, Prince Hall Grand Lodge of
 Minnesota, Grand Lodge of
 Minnesota and its jurisdiction,

Prince Hall Grand Lodge of
 Mississippi, Grand Lodge of
 Missouri, Grand Lodge of
 Missouri, Prince Hall Lodge of
 Montana, Grand Lodge of
 Nebraska, Grand Lodge of
 Nebraska and its jurisdiction,

Prince Hall Grand Lodge of
 Nevada, Grand Lodge of

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA *(continued)*

Nevada, Prince Hall Grand Lodge of
 New Hampshire, Grand Lodge of
 New Jersey, Grand Lodge of
 New Jersey, Prince Hall Grand Lodge of
 New Mexico, Grand Lodge of
 New Mexico,

Prince Hall Grand Lodge of the State of
 New York, Grand Lodge of
 New York, Prince Hall Grand Lodge of
 North Carolina, Grand Lodge of
 North Carolina,

Prince Hall Grand Lodge of
 North Dakota, Grand Lodge of
 Ohio, Grand Lodge of
 Ohio, Prince Hall Grand Lodge of
 Oklahoma, Grand Lodge of
 Oregon, Grand Lodge of
 Oregon, Prince Hall Grand Lodge of
 Pennsylvania, Grand Lodge of
 Pennsylvania,

Prince Hall Grand Lodge of
 Rhode Island, Grand Lodge of
 Rhode Island,

Prince Hall Grand Lodge of
 South Carolina, Grand Lodge of
 South Dakota, Grand Lodge of
 Tennessee, Grand Lodge of
 Texas, Grand Lodge of
 Texas and jurisdiction,

Prince Hall Grand Lodge of
 Utah, Grand Lodge of
 Vermont, Grand Lodge of
 Virginia, Grand Lodge of
 Virginia, Prince Hall Grand Lodge of
 Washington, Grand Lodge of
 Washington and its jurisdiction,

Prince Hall Grand Lodge of
 West Virginia, Grand Lodge of
 Wisconsin, Grand Lodge of
 Wisconsin, Prince Hall Grand Lodge of
 Wyoming, Grand Lodge of

CENTRAL AMERICA

Costa Rica, Grand Lodge of
Cuscatlan of El Salvador,
Grand Lodge of
Guatemala, Grand Lodge of

MEXICO

Mexico, York Grand Lodge of
Vera Cruz, Grand Lodge of the State of
Panama, Grand Lodge of

WEST INDIES

Bahamas, Prince Hall Grand Lodge of
the Commonwealth of the
Caribbean and jurisdiction,
Prince Hall Grand Lodge of the
Cuba, Grand Lodge of
Dominican Republic,
Grand Lodge of the
Haiti 1824, Grand Orient of
Puerto Rico, Grand Lodge of

SOUTH AMERICA

Argentina, Grand Lodge of
Bolivia, Grand Lodge of

BRAZIL

Brazil, Grand Orient of
Espírito Santo,
Grand Lodge of the State of
Mato Grosso Do Sul,
Grand Lodge of the State of
Rio de Janeiro,
Grand Lodge of the State of
Rio Grande do Sul, Grand Lodge of the
State of
São Paulo, Grand Lodge of

Chile, Grand Lodge of

COLOMBIA

Colombia,
Grand Lodge of, at Barranquilla
Colombia, Grand Lodge of, at Bogotá
Colombia, National Grand Lodge of,
at Cartagena
Colombia, Occidental Grand Lodge of,
at Cali
Colombia 'Francisco De Paula
Santander', Grand Lodge Oriental of
Los Andes, Grand Lodge of

Ecuador, Grand Lodge of
Paraguay, Symbolic Grand Lodge of
Peru, Grand Lodge of
Uruguay, Grand Lodge of
Venezuela,
Grand Lodge of the Republic of