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List of Member Organisations as at December 31st 1987.

<u>Name of Organisation</u>	<u>Approximate Membership.</u>
1. The Environmental Health Officers Association. (Ireland)	350
2. The Royal Environmental Health Institute of Scotland.	650
3. The Institution of Environmental Health Officers (England, Wales & N.Ireland)	6,300
4. The Australian Institute of Health Surveyors.	2,900
5. The Society of Public Health Inspectors of Singapore.	190
6. The Association of Health Inspectors of Malaysia.	190
7. The Institute of New Zealand Health Inspectors.	350
8. The Swedish Health Inspector's Association	700
9. The Tanzania Health Inspector's Association	480

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OFFICERS OF THE FEDERATION.

President.	R. Emerson FIEH FRSH FIH.
Senior Vice President.	R. G. Spratt JP FAIHS.
Vice Presidents.	Kenneth Collins MEP. Professor Robert Blackith.
Chairman of Council.	C. Healy FEHOA.
Vice Chairman of Council.	W. A. Dunlop MBE FREHIS.
Company Secretary.	A. M. Tanner FIEH FRSH FIBM.
Honorary Executive Secretary	E.W.Foskett OBE BSc(Econ) DPA FIEH FRSH.
Honorary Editor.	F. P. O'Brien BA MBA FEHOA.
Honorary Public Relations Officer	M. Halls FREHIS.
Honorary Treasurer.	C.Wade.
Honorary Assistant Treasurers	B. R. Jones. FIEH. F. W. Osborne. DMS FIEH.
Professional Auditors.	Morrison, Stonham & Co.
Honorary Scrutineers.	M. Halls. FEHOA. F. W. Osborne. DMS FIEH.

Part 3.

INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH. ANNUAL REPORT. 1987.  
 RETURN OF ATTENDANCES OF MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE INTERNATIONAL  
 FEDERATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH FOR THE YEAR 1987

Name.	Representing	Meetings.	
		Possible	Attended.
	President	3	3
R. Emerson.			
C. Gibson	Royal Environmental Health Institute of Scotland.	3	2
W. A. Dunlop	-do-	3	3
M. Halls	-do-	3	3
C. Healy	Environmental Health Officers Association.	3	2
F. O'Brien	-do-	3	3
R. Ellard	-do-	2	1
R. G. Spratt	Australian Institute of Health Surveyors.	3	2
D. Hawkins	-do-	3	-
B. Fleming	-do-	2	1
E. W. Foskett	Institution of Environmental Health Officers.	3	3
F. Osborne	-do-	3	3
B. Jones	-do-	3	3
A. J. Pipe.	Institute of New Zealand Health Inspectors. (a)	2	1
	Society of Public Health Inspectors Singapore. (b)	3	-
	Association of Health Inspectors. Malaysia. (b)	3	-
	Swedish Health Officers Association(a)	3	-

E. W. Foskett.  
 Honorary Executive Secretary

Notes. i. This return is made in accordance with Article 19 of the Federation's Articles of Association. ii (a) entitled to three members. iii (b) entitled to two members. iv. Tanzania Health Officers Association became entitled to three members to sit with effect from 1988.

# THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH.

## ANNUAL REPORT. 1987.

### Introduction.

The Council of the Federation resolved that after the first report, which covered the period up to the end of July 1987, subsequent reports would deal with periods covering a whole calendar year. Thus, this report surveys the period of 1987, and, inevitably, there will be some overlapping with the report presented to the Annual General Meeting held in September 1987.

### Council meetings.

The Council met three times during 1987. On January 7th 1987 the meeting was held in Dublin with the Environmental Health Officers Association acting as hosts. They arranged for hospitality to be provided by Messrs Arthur Guinness and Sons Ltd.

The second meeting was arranged by the Royal Environmental Health Institute of Scotland and it took place at the Excelsior Hotel in Glasgow, and the Royal Institute had arranged for Refrew District Council to act as hosts for the meeting.

In conjunction with the Institution of Environmental Health Officers Congress in Brighton in September 1987 the Council met on September 9th at the Old Ship Hotel, Brighton and the hosts were the Institution.

In each case the hosts were thanked for their generous hospitality.

A high level of attendance of members of the Council has been a feature of the meetings and the numbers are set out in the table on page 3.

It was particularly gratifying that at the May meeting the Australian Institute of Health Surveyors was represented by Mr. Greg Murphy, acting a deputy, and the Council welcomed Mr. Ray Ellard of the Environmental Health Officers Association to his first meeting. At the September meeting the Australian Institute had two members present, (Mr. B. Fleming and Mr. R.G. Spratt) and New Zealand was represented for the first time by Mr. A.J. Pike. The Council was also pleased to extend to Professor Birgit Haglund, of the University of Umea, Sweden, an invitation to be present as an observer. Professor Haglund is much involved in the training of environmental health officers.

All members of the Federation are, of course, to be represented at Council meeting, the number of Councillors allocated to each organisation, a maximum of three, reflects the number of members in the organisation.

The Council is aware of course that cost of travel to meetings precludes some organisations from nominating members but this is a wrong view point. When a Councillor is appointed by his organisation arrangements are made for him to have copies of Committee papers etc and this should stimulate interest in the affairs of the Federation, and, secondly, the Council has resolved to allow members to send deputies to meetings if an appointed Councillor cannot attend. Thus, all member organisations are urged to nominate as many Councillors as they are entitled.

#### Membership.

During 1987 the Federation welcomed five new members. The applications received from the Swedish Health Officers Association, the Association of Public Health Inspectors of Singapore, the Association of Health Inspectors of Malaysia, the Institute of New Zealand Health Inspectors, at the January meeting and, in July, the Tanzania Health Officers Association were all approved and welcomed into membership by the President.

The Council is pleased that such progress in membership has been possible but is anxious that there should be a continued increase.

At each of its meetings it receives a report on the activities which have taken place to promote membership. The Council's officers are diligent in following up leads, and the Council is also very grateful for the efforts made by other people, and by member organisations themselves. The Council recognizes that progress will be slow but that there will be an expansion as the Federation is seen to be involved in practical environmental health promotion.

At present there are a number of major organisations which could be members but which have not yet joined. The Federation would be strengthened by their presence and the Council's view is that they, too, would benefit greatly by being in membership.

The Council is also aware of the existence of a number of smaller bodies, and is also aware of environmental health officers in some countries not having a professional organisation. It is the intention to help them all take up a meaningful membership in the Federation.

It is also understood that there will be excellent opportunities for interesting other bodies in membership whilst their representatives are attending the Inaugural International Congress in Sydney in 1988.

### Associated Body status.

At its meeting in September 1987 the Council considered a suggestion, which had arisen out of some of the publicity work carried out by the Federation, that there should be some opportunity for organisations operating in the field of environmental health, but not comprising environmental health officers, to become associated with the work of the Federation. A small sub committee was set up to consider this issue and when it reported back to the adjourned Council meeting its proposals were adopted. Thus there is now the opportunity for such bodies as academic institutions teaching or researching in environmental health related work to become associated with the Federation.

### Publicity: Public Relations

At the beginning of its operation the Council made no appointment to the post of Public Relations Officer, not because it failed to recognize the importance of the topic but simply because it was unsure as to how proceed. However, at its meeting in January the Council appointed Mr. Michael Halls, of the Royal Environmental Health Institute of Scotland to be its Public Relations Officer, and he is now in charge of this important branch of the the work.

In this more general field both the Honorary Editor and the Honorary Executive Secretary have need to undertake work of a publicity nature and this supplements the work of the PRO, and requires the three officers to work together.

In addition to producing a pamphlet about the work of the Federation the PRO has produced an excellent poster and circulates a periodical news bulletin. Needless to say this type of work has to gather momentum.

The Federation's public relations activities extend to the despatch of information letters to persons and organisations who ought to be informed about the Federation's existence, and it provides information for officers wanting to know about work opportunities or simply travelling abroad, and it facilitates experiential visits by making contacts between interested parties.

### Publications.

The Federation has set it self the target of publishing an International Journal of Environmental Health. So far this ambitious project has not been fulfilled and no one is more disappointed than the Honorary Editor, Mr. Fred O'Brien.

Despite the set backs with th Journal under Mr. O'Brien's direction the Federation produced in the autumn of 1987 an excellent 12 page brochure about its formation, structure and activities.

This brochure, supported by a generous sponsor, has been widely distributed and has been of great help to the PRO and Honorary Executive Secretary in the work they have been doing in the field of publicity.

Although the International Journal remained an unfulfilled objective at the end of 1987 it had not been shelved and the Honorary Editor was optimistic that 1988 might well see the launching of such a publication.

#### Other Activities.

The Federation must, of course, be seen to be an effective promoter of environmental health issues, and it is embarking on some work which will enable it to provide information for its members.

As the Federation is an association of bodies representing environmental health professionals it is important that the constituent members should know how each organisation secures the training of its members.

The Federation has, therefore, initiated a survey of the training methods of member organisations and the result of this survey will be conveyed to each member body.

There has also been generated a substantial international interest in the irradiation of food and member bodies have been invited to submit the views of their organisations and the practices which are permitted in their countries. This survey is to be conducted for the Federation by two of the environmental health lecturers at Salford University, England - Miss Denise Rennie and Mrs. Norma Ford.

#### International Congresses.

Through the initiative of the Australian Institute of Health Surveyors the Inaugural International Environmental Health Congress will be held in Sydney Australia in September 1988. The preliminary reports suggest that this venture will be an outstanding success.

At its meeting in September the Council agreed to invite the Institution of Environmental Health Officers to submit a detailed proposal for the second International Congress to be held in the United Kingdom in 1991 in conjunction with the Institutions's Annual Congress. Further, it was decided to invite all members to indicate whether they would wish to organise a similar event at some time in the future. The information so obtained will be considered by the Council in early 1988.

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### PUBLIC RELATIONS

The principle roles of the Public Relations Officer during the past year have been twofold. Firstly, to keep individual members of organisations in membership of the Federation appraised of activities and, secondly, to help other officers of the Federation, mainly the Honorary Executive Secretary, to attract new members.

To achieve the first objective, a series of Newsletters has been produced during the year, and these have been sent to the Editors of Journals published by member organisations who, generally speaking, gave very full coverage to the Federation's activities in their publications.

Additional copies of these Newsletters have been sent to the Publishers of Technical Journals circulating in countries where contacts have been established.

Success in having the role of the Federation publicised in such magazines has not been as successful as it had been hoped, but it is intended that this form of publicity should be continued, and Newsletters will be sent to such Editors on a regular basis.

To attain the second goal, periodic contact has been made with known correspondents in various parts of the World, and encouraging signs have been received from North America (Canada and the U.S.A.), from several countries of the Commonwealth (Hong Kong, Kenya and Nigeria, etc.) and from other parts of the World (e.g. Israel, Greece, Iceland etc.).

Approaches have been made to educational establishments in several member countries to try to interest colleges, universities and the like into membership of the Federation under the category of "Associated Members". Indications are that this form of membership may be attractive to such institutions.

A publicity poster has been circulated to all member organisations, and these are starting to appear at events promoted by these bodies.

Considerable effort has also gone into ensuring that the Federation's stand in the exhibition at the Inaugural Congress in Sydney in September 1988 is "eye catching" and can provide publicity sufficiently well designed to attract other organisations into membership. A plentiful supply of application forms and other information will also be available so that every opportunity to enlarge membership will be grasped by those in attendance at this event.

MICHAEL HALLS  
Public Relations Officer. *B*

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1987

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REPORT OF THE COUNCIL

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1987

The council present their report and audited financial statements for the year to 31st December 1987.

1. REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of The Federation is to provide a focal point for national organisations of officers whose concern is the control of the environment in the interests of public health.

2. COUNCIL MEMBERS

F Osbourne	B Jones	E Foskett	R Spratt
D Hawkins	B Flemming	W Dunlop	G Gibson
M Halls	C Healy	F O'Brien	
A J Pipe	Koh Geok Beng	K Regner	B Mwambela
Haji bin Haji A Kassim			

3. AUDITORS

Morison Stoneham have indicated their willingness to continue in office and offer themselves for re-election.

Chadwick House  
Rushworth Street  
London  
SE1 ORB

BY ORDER OF THE COUNCIL

SECRETARY

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REPORT OF THE AUDITORS

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

We have audited the financial statements set out on pages 3 to 5 in accordance with approved Auditing Standards.

In our opinion the financial statements, which have been prepared under the historical cost convention, give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of The Federation at 31st December 1987 and of the surplus for the year then ended, and comply with the Companies Act 1985.

805 Salisbury House  
31 Finsbury Circus  
London EC2M 5SQ

MORISON STONEHAM

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH  
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BALANCE SHEET - AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 1987

	<u>Note</u>	<u>1987</u> £	<u>1986</u> £
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>			
Cash and bank balances		1,455	576
<u>CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year</u>	3	<u>1,470</u>	<u>1,113</u>
<u>NET CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>		£(15) ==	£(537) ===
Represented by:			
<u>CAPITAL ACCOUNT</u>			
Balance at 1st January 1987		(537)	-
Transfer from income and expenditure account		<u>522</u>	<u>(537)</u>
		£(15) ==	£(537) ===

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..... ) Council Members  
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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1987

	<u>1987</u>	<u>1986</u>
	£	£
<u>INCOME</u>		
Subscriptions received	1,490	576
Bank interest	<u>42</u>	<u>-</u>
	1,532	576
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		
Company formation expenses	-	766
Audit and accountancy	345	287
Miscellaneous expenses	123	60
Administration expenses	50	-
Printing, postage and stationery	481	-
Corporation tax	<u>11</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>1,010</u>	<u>1,113</u>
<u>EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE</u>	£522 ===	£(537) ===

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1987

1. STATUS OF THE FEDERATION

The Federation was incorporated as a private company limited by guarantee on 6th June 1987, the word "limited" being omitted by virtue of S.30 Companies Act 1985. Under the Memorandum of Association of The Federation, the liability of individual members is restricted to a maximum of £5.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies of The Federation confirm with generally accepted principles. Where these policies are judged material in determining the result for the period and in stating the financial position of The Federation details are disclosed in these notes.

3. CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year

	<u>1987</u>	<u>1986</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
The Institution of Environmental Health Officers	826	826
Other creditors and accruals	633	287
Corporation tax	<u>11</u>	<u>-</u>
	£1,470	£1,113
	=====	=====

4. CORPORATION TAX

As a mutual trading association, a liability to corporation tax only arises on interest received during the period at current rates of taxation.

5. DIRECTORS

All members of The Council are considered directors under the provisions of the Companies Act 1985. None of them received any remuneration for their services as directors or executives of The Federation.

6. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

These financial statements were approved by The Council on