



MANSA

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**Minutes of the Annual MANSA Meeting
Toronto, Canada, November 4, 1994**

In the financial report provided by the President, the current balance was \$1,006.15. Newsletter mailing is more expensive while the President is on sabbatical, but in spite of this the treasury is maintaining a balance of over \$1000.00.

Barbara Hoffman suggested that MANSA members write their e-mail addresses on their dues checks and include an e-mail address when joining or renewing their membership. [A directory is being prepared, see below.]

The President welcomed Lansiné Kaba back to ASA/ MANSA after an extended absence due to illness. A special welcome was also extended to Mouhamed Moustapha Kane, President of the West African Research Association (WARA)/Association de Recherche Ouest Africaine (AROA).

The President brought up an item of urgent new business, the question of MANSA secretary. The organization has been essentially without a secretary for three years in a row. Vice-President Marie Perinbam emphasized the fine job done by Kathy Green as organizer of the Bamako Conference in 1992. Marie asked that the record show that the MANSA membership expresses appreciation for Kathy Green's contribution to the organization.

The floor was opened to discussion on the subject of secretary. After much discussion, Jeanne Toungara moved that the organization adopt by-laws in order to deal with the issue of reconfirming or confirming new officers, seconded by Barbara Hoffman. After further discussion an amendment to the motion on the floor was made to the effect that the organization form a committee that would report back to the membership on the question of by-laws. Seconded by Ralph Austen, the amendment carried. Barbara Hoffman, Jeanne Toungara and Lansiné Kaba volunteered to look into the issue of by-laws and John Johnson agreed to supply a copy of the Somali Studies Association by-laws for reference.

Victoria Coifman suggested the organization invite a volunteer to act as temporary secretary. David Conrad

noted that since January, Laura A. Harris has already been acting as unofficial secretary, and Lansiné Kaba moved that Laura be recognized as acting secretary. Seconded by John Johnson, the motion carried.

The President suggested two additions to the MANSA Advisory Board: Lamine Sanneh of Yale University and Tèrèba Togola of ISH in Bamako. Barbara Hoffman so moved, and after it was seconded the motion carried unanimously.

Next on the agenda was the Mande Studies Conference in Leiden, The Netherlands. The President showed slides of Leiden and the conference facilities at the Rijksmuseum voor Volkenkunde, and offered information about travel and accommodations. Leiden is only a 30-40 minute train ride from Amsterdam (trains run every hour), and a list of hostels and hotels was provided for those interested (and is reproduced below in this newsletter).

Additional participants, paper titles and panel suggestions for the Leiden conference were mentioned, and those will be included in the Leiden conference up-date in this issue (see below).

The President raised the question of registration fees for the Leiden conference. After some discussion it was resolved that a registration fee of \$15.00 be charged, with students, unemployed members and African visitors exempt.

The President apologized to Jeanne Maddox Toungara, chairperson of an ASA MANSA-sponsored panel for the inadvertent omission from the last newsletter of her panel, MANDING IDEOLOGIES: POWER, STATUS AND LEGITIMACY. The presenters were Toungara, "Ideology of Conquest: Migration and Settlement in Northwestern Côte d'Ivoire;" Robert Launay, "The Division of Witchcraft Labor Among the Dyula;" Stephen Harmon, "Islamic Ideology: Status and Power in Bambara Islam During the Colonial Period;" and Barbara Lewis, "Mali's Beleaguered Democratic Transition: Conflicts Within the Revolutionary Family."

As the final item on the agenda, the President showed a sample of a MANSA T-shirt, suggesting that

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the sale of T-shirts would be a way of increasing the balance in the MANSA treasury. Questions were raised about the cost of production. [Information not available at the meeting is as follows: The initial MANSA T-shirt order includes a one-time fee of 42.00 for camera and screen costs in addition to the set-up fee (5.00 for each order), printing (varies according to size of order), and tax. An initial order of 24 T-shirts totals 230.59. The MANSA account would be reimbursed in full after the sale of 20 T-shirts at the introductory price of 12.00 apiece. A second order of six dozen would come to approximately 466.00 (5.00 for set-up, c. 144.00 for printing, c. 288.00 for the shirts, and tax). Following the sale of 20 T-shirts at the introductory price of 12.00 and 13 T-shirts at the regular price of 15.00, each additional sale would represent a profit to the MANSA account.] After some discussion it was moved and carried that the T-shirts be produced and offered for sale. The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Call for MANSA-Sponsored Papers ASA 1995, Orlando, Florida

At the meeting in Toronto the President inadvertently left this off the agenda. The sponsoring of panels on topics related to the Mande world has been one of the most important functions of this organization.

The 1995 annual ASA meeting will be in Orlando, Florida, November 3-6. The deadline for organized panels submitted to ASA is March 15. One MANSA panel is already being organized: THE INDIVIDUAL AND SOCIETY IN THE MANDE WORLD
Chair: Steven Wooten, University of Illinois

If you wish to participate in this panel, please contact Steven Wooten. We would like to have at least two more MANSA panels at Orlando. If you wish to organize a panel or present a paper, please contact David Conrad (415) 868-2360.

Conference on Mande Studies Leiden, 20-24 March: Panel and Paper Proposals

To participate in the conference you must: 1) Be a current member of MANSA; 2) Submit your paper title to David Conrad by 1 February; 3) Send an abstract to your panel chair by 1 February; 4) Send two copies of your paper to your panel chair (one for the chair & one for the discussant) by 15 February.

Preparation of an official program is in progress, and it will only include panels and titles submitted by 1 February. Send your submission to David Conrad, P.O. Box 72, Stinson Beach, CA, 94970, U.S.A. If your MANSA membership is not current, your dues must be paid by that time. The panel and paper proposals already submitted are as follows:

THE YOUNGER BROTHER THEME IN MANDE ORAL TRADITIONS

Co-Chairs: Jan Jansen, Leiden University
John Hanson, Indiana University.

John Hanson, Indiana University, "Social Conflict and the Younger Brother Theme in Umanian Karta"

Jan Jansen, Leiden University, "The Younger Brother and the Stranger: In Search of a Political Discourse for Mande"

Clemens Zobel, University of Vienna, "The *jeli-horon*: Ideological Contradiction and the Symbolic Construction of Mande Griot Identities"

Stephen Bulman, Newman College, "Sunjata and the Maninka Family"

MANDE-FULBE RELATIONS IN HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

Co-Chairs: Mirjam de Bruijn, Utrecht University and Han van Dijk, Wageningen University

Stephen Belcher, Pennsylvania State University, "The Fulbe Presence in Mande Epic Traditions"

Yousouff Diallo, Universität Bielefeld, "The Impact of Fulbe Domination in Samoland (Burkina Faso)"

Mirjam de Bruijn, Utrecht University, "Castes in Fulbe and Mande Society Compared"

Han van Dijk, Wageningen University, "Changes in the Institution of *yaatigi* in Central Mali"

CONQUEST, POWER AND AUTHORITY IN EARLY MANDE STATES

Chair: David C. Conrad, SUNY-Oswego

Discussant: Nehemia Levtzion, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Pekka Masonen, Tampere University, "Nothing is so Certain as Uncertainty: Ancient Ghana and the Almoravides in West African Historiography"

Eugenia Herbert, Mount Holyoke College, "Sundjata and Ogun: Mande Constructions of Power in Comparative Perspective"

Lansiné Kaba, University of Illinois - Chicago, "Mansaya and Faamaya and Political Legitimacy in Mande History"

David C. Conrad, SUNY-Oswego, "Nyaghamusoya: Sorcery and Female Power in the Politics of Early Mande"

MANDE IN THE POSTCOLONIAL STATE: ECONOMIC ADAPTATION AND POLITICAL TRANSFORMATION

Chair: Jeanne Tounkara, Howard University

Barbara Lewis, Rutgers University, "Mali's Beleaguered Democratic Transition: Conflicts Within the Revolutionary Family"

Jeanne Tounkara, Howard University, "Lineage, Tradition and the Democratic Process in Northwestern Côte d'Ivoire"

CONTEMPORARY MANDE MUSIC

Chair: Eric Charry, University of North Carolina at Greensboro

Lucy Duran, SOAS, "A Comparison of *jelimusow* and Female Wasulu Singers"

Rainer Polak, Universität Bayreuth, "Jenbe Performance in Mande"

Yacouba Konaté, Université Nationale Côte d'Ivoire, "Les Ballets Africaines de Keita Fodeba"

Cheick M. Chérif Keita, Carlton College, "The Lyrics of Salif Keita"

Eric Charry, UNC-Greensboro and Namankoumba, Kouyaté, Ministère des Affaires Etrangères Conakry, "The Growth of Modern Music in Mali and Guinea from the 1950s to the Present"

POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC INFLUENCES IN ANCIENT MANDE

Chair: Ralph Austen, University of Chicago

Seydou Camara, Institut des Sciences Humaines, "Evolution politique du Manden de Kangaba après la dislocation de l'empire"

Ralph Austen, University of Chicago and Jan Jansen, Leiden University, "The Mali Empire and Muslim Historiography: the Case of Ibn Khaldun"

Maghan Keita, Villanova University, "The Development of a Political Economy of Urban Culture in the Medieval and Renaissance Western Sudan"

Michael Schlottner, Institut für Historische Ethnologie, "Myths and Reality of the Mande Diaspora East of the Black Volta River"

MATERIAL ARTS IN THE MANDE WORLD

Chair: Sarah Brett-Smith, Rutgers University

Ingse Skattum, University of Oslo, "Stylistic Features of a Bamana *máana*"

Fredrick Lamp, The Baltimore Museum of Art, "Malinke Form in Headdress of the Baga"

Sarah Brett-Smith, Rutgers University, "The Meaning of the Komo Mask"

Priscilla Colt, New York City, "Representations of Physical Anomalies in 'Djenne' Figural Terracottas"

Peter Mark, Wesleyan University, "Architecture & Identity: 16th & 17th Century Houses in Senegambia"

ARCHAEOLOGY IN THE MANDE WORLD

Chair: Roderick McIntosh, Rice University

Kevin MacDonald, Cambridge University, "When Worlds Collide: A Consideration of the Holocene Peopling of Sub-Saharan West Africa"

Roderick McIntosh, Rice University, "Jenne and the Mande Sacred Landscape/Jenne en het Symbolische Landschap van de Mande"

Tèrèba Togola, l'Institut des Sciences Humaines, Bamako, "Toward an Understanding of Iron Age Occupation in The Mema Region (Mali)"

AGRARIAN RITUALS AND SOCIAL DIFFERENTIATION

Chair: Sabine Luning, Research School, CNWS

Ferdinand de Jong, Amsterdam School for Social Science Research, "Ritual and the Construction of a Manding Ethnic Identity in Casamance, Senegal"

Sabine Luning, CNWS, "Immigrants and Autochthones in the Agrarian Ritual Cycle Among Moose of Maane, Burkina Faso"

Wouter van Beek, Utrecht University, "Dogon and Mande Rewriting History"

INSIDE MANDE LANGUAGES

Chair: Valentin Vydrin, Museum of Anthropology and Ethnology, St. Petersburg, Russia

Valentin Vydrin, St. Petersburg, Russia, "Verbal Derivation in Bamana"

Gérard Dumestre, INALCO, Paris, no title

R. Kastenholz, J. Gutenberg-Universität, no title

ISLAM IN THE MANDE WORLD: DEBATE AND PRACTICE

Co-Chairs: Berend Timmer and Ed van Hoven, Research School, CNWS

Ed van Hoven, CNWS, "Islam and Society in Senegal"

Berend Timmer, CNWS, no title

PRESENTERS WITH NO PAPER TITLE:

P. F. De Moraes Farias, University of Birmingham

Mamadou Diawara, Berlin Inst. for Advanced Study

Gérard Dumestre, INALCO

John W. Johnson, Indiana University

Raimund Kastenholz, University of Cologne

Martin Klein, University of Toronto

Dorothea Schulz, Yale University

Julianne Short, Indiana University

Berend Timmer, CNWS

Accommodations at Leiden

Participants are asked to arrange for their own accommodations based on the information provided on the enclosed flier. If you need additional information or help with your bookings, contact Jan Jansen: Berkelstraat 65, 3522 EL Utrecht, The Netherlands; Tel. 030 71 27 2987; (home) 87 0586; e-mail han.vandijk@alg.ar.wau.nl

Airfares to Amsterdam

Several airlines (KLM, Air France, British Air, Northwest) offer low season travel (before March 31), roundtrip economy class, advance ticket purchase and a minimum 7-day/maximum 1-month stay in the range of: Chicago - Amsterdam \$608-658; New York or Boston - Amsterdam \$538-588 (some airlines offer a special rate of \$418-468 from NY); San Francisco - Amsterdam \$758-808. These prices do not include tax and security charges (c. \$35).

Baobab Jammin'

"The Baobab" is the name of a foundation in Leiden that occupies itself with the promotion of African culture. It is prepared to host a performance of Mande music on Thursday during the week of the Mande Studies Conference. "The Baobab" will provide the concert site and publicity. Musicians must bring their own *kora*, *bala*, *jembé*, *ngoni*, etc. Git down!

Distribution of Leiden Conference Papers

Laura Harris, Acting MANSA Secretary, will do everything possible to arrange for distribution of the conference papers, but this will require the cooperation of presenters to make it work. An order form for photocopies of papers will be prepared in advance and made available at the conference and in the newsletter following the conference. To have your paper included, submit the title and the number of pages by March 1 to: David Conrad, P.O. Box 72, Stinson Beach, CA 94970. For the photocopying, a clearly printed, complete copy of the paper must be received by April 1.

Schedule of Deadlines for the Leiden Conference

- 1 February: Paper title received by D. Conrad.
- 1 February: Abstract received by panel chair.
- 15 February: Two copies of paper received by panel chair.
- 1 March: Paper title and # of pages received by D. Conrad.
- 1 April: Copy of paper received by D. Conrad.

Vote for Mary Jo! MANSA's ASA Board Representative

Mary Jo Arnoldi has been nominated for the ASA Board of Directors. She would appreciate MANSA members' support. The MANSA Newsletter enthusiastically endorses Mary Jo Arnoldi's candidacy for the ASA Board.

Correction

In Newsletter #25, Rogier Bedaux was inadvertently promoted to Director of the Rijksmuseum voor Volkenkunde. In fact, he is Conservator of the Africa Department. (Nevertheless, Rogier is still our most important person at that museum.)

Book, Journal, and Article Releases

BOOKS

1994. Jan Jansen (ed. & co-translator with Esger Duintjer and Boubacar Tamboura), *Het Sunjata-Epos* as told by Lansiné Diabaté of Keyla. Pp. 127. Leiden: Paradox/Pan Records [Postbus 155, 2300 AD Leiden]. [First Dutch edition of the Sunjata epic]

1994. Junzo Kawada (ed.), *Boucle du Niger : approaches multidisciplinaires* vol. 4, Pp. 418. Tokyo: Institut de Recherches sur les Langues et Cultures d'Asie et d'Afrique [Tokyo University of Foreign Studies, 4-51-21 Nishigahara, Kita-Ku, Tokyo, 114 Japan].

TABLE DES MATIERES

I. La Boucle du Niger: perspectives historiques

1. "Le Sahel et le Swahili: les deux zones de contacts afro-arabes" Junzo Kawada
2. "La céramique à travers les âges dans la Delta intérieur du Niger" Kléna Sanogo
3. "Les modes d'inhumation dans la Boucle du Niger" Kléna Sanogo
4. "Les Saints de Sinsani: Le rôle politique des marabouts-soufis de la ville de Sinsani à l'époque précoloniale" Shinzo Sakai

II. Les activités de subsistance et leurs dynamiques

5. "Essai de mise au point d'une carte agricole de la République du Mali: Le cas de la culture des mils" Toshiaki Ohji
6. "De la grande senne (*jo ba*) au filet recouvrant (*birijo*), ou les déterminants techno-sociologiques d'une innovation en milieu pêcheur" Bréhima Kassibo
7. "Techniques du corps et modes de subsistance de cinq groupes ethniques d'Afrique occidentale" Michiyo Hosaka, Junzo Kawada, Kumi Ashizawa, Ayano Kusumoto and Kazutaka Adachi
8. "Caractères physiques des populations de cinq groupes ethniques d'Afrique occidentale comparés avec ceux des Japonais" Kumi Ashizawa, Ayano Kusumoto, Kazutaka Adachi, Michiyo Hosaka and Junzo Kawada
- III. Transformations et danger subis par le patrimoine culturel

9. "Eléments de réflexion sur les souhaits en guise d'Introduction à l'étude des genres de communication"

Moussa Sow

10. "*Tariku* pour un Blanc: sur la fin d'une histoire orale mande" Yusuke Nakamura
11. Le pillage des sites archéologiques au Mali: cas du Delta intérieur du Niger" Mamadi Dembele

Jarich G. Oosten (ed.), *Text and Tales: Studies in Oral Tradition*. Pp. 144. Leiden: Research School CNWS [P.O. Box 9515 2300 RA Leiden, The Netherlands].

[A collection of nine essays including three on Mande topics: Karim Traoré, "Relevance and Significance of the Sunjata Epic"; Ed van Hoven and Jarich Oosten, "The Mother-Son and the Brother-Sister Relationships in the Sunjata Epic"; Jan Jansen, "The Dynamics of 'Sunjata': Reports About the Past in Kela (Mali)"]

ARTICLES

Eric Charry, "West African Harps," *Journal of the American Musical Instrument Society* 20 (1994), 5-53

-----, "The Grand Mande Guitar Tradition of the Western Sahel and Savannah," *The World of Music* 36 (1994), no. 2

Mamadou Diawara, "La quete de l'ancetre historique: le paradigme de Sunjata dans les traditions orales du sahel (XIIIe-XIXe siecle)," *Bayreuth African Studies Series* 37 (1994)

-----, "La traditon orale de l'aire culturelle Mande a l'épreuve des médias électroniques," *Cahiers d'Etudes Africaines* forthcoming

-----, "Oral Sources and Social Differentiation in the Jaara Kingdom (Mali, Mauritania) from the Sixteenth Century: A Methodological Approach," *History in Africa* 22 (1995)

James Fairhead and Melissa Leach, "Contested Forests: Modern Conservation and Historical Land Use in Guinea's Ziama Reserve," *African Affairs* 93 (1994), 481-512

Dierk Lange, "From Mande to Songhay: Towards a Political and Ethnic History of Medieval Gao," *Journal of African History*, 35 (1994), 275-301.

Reports on Dissertation Field Research

The Mande Studies Association has many student members who in the past few years have accomplished very significant, interesting field research and who are now in the process of writing their dissertations. While they are at this stage of their work, MANSA would like to recognize their accomplishments by publishing a brief report on what they learned in the field, or any particularly interesting experiences they would like to share with us.

MANSA T-Shirts

An introductory offer of 12.00 per T-shirt (plus 2.40 each for mailer and postage) will be valid on all orders received before February 15, 1995. The price per T-shirt on orders received after that will be 15.00 (plus 2.40 each for mailer & postage). Please use the enclosed form to order your MANSA T-shirt.

MANSA Membership Directory

MANSA's acting secretary Laura Harris will be compiling an up-to-date directory of members. Please send your e-mail address, phone number, current mailing address and research interests to: MANSA

Membership Directory, c/o D. Conrad, P.O. Box 72, Stinson Beach, CA 94970.

New & Renewed MANSA Members & Address Changes

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Joining MANSA and Renewing Membership

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