Business Meeting of CCM during the IMA general meeting in Edinburgh.

The open Commission meeting was held on the 3rd of September 2002.

The preliminary information issued with the agenda included a report of our activity between the two IMA meetings with emphasis on the principles of classification of mineralogical groups, the discussion of new advances in the classification of minerals and a review of the most recent publications in this field (D.Yu.Pushcharovsky). Ernest Nickel summarized the classification principles employed in the new version of Mineralogical Tables, with emphasis on the classification of mineralogical

groups. Andrew McDonald, in his presentation, considered the principles used in the classification of minerals employed at ICDD. Prof. I.Kostov (Bulgaria), in a written submission, attracted attention to some shortcomings in the various classifications of minerals.

The following candidates were recommended as the officers of CCM for the period 2002-2006:

D.Yu.Pushcharovsky - chairman:

E. H. Nickel - vice chairman;

A. M. McDonald - secretary.

All candidates were elected at the IMA business meeting on the 5th of September, 2002.

Some more immediate aims of the activity should be the following:

- 1) The CCM emphasized the necessity of getting the membership list in order.
- 2) A microsymposium entitled "Crystal structures of minerals: topology and classification" is included in the program of 32 IGC in Florence (2004). CCM should participate in its organization.
- 3) In cooperation with CNMMN, it is planned to provide expertise in the reconsideration of mineralogical groups and their nomenclature, based on the general principles elaborated by CCM and CNMMN in 2001.

A microsymposium entitled "Crystal structures of minerals: topology and classification" is included in the program of 32 IGC in Florence (2004). CCM will organize it.

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