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Date: January 31, 2002

To: National Committees for Mathematics
    Adhering Organizations

From: IMU Secretariat

RE: Travel Grants to the Abel Conference
    Important Upcoming Deadlines

1) GRANTS FOR YOUNG MATHEMATICIANS FROM DEVELOPING COUNTRIES TO
PARTICIPATE IN THE ABEL BICENTENNIAL CONFERENCE 2002, OSLO,
NORWAY, JUNE 3-8, 2002: The candidates should send a brief CV, with a list of
publications/papers published and/or accepted for publication to Prof. Jacob Palis and Prof.
Phillip Griffiths, President and Secretary of IMU, by e-mail to imu@impa.br, before March
25, 2002. Please see attachment for further details.

2) GENERAL ASSEMBLY DELEGATES--Deadline March 1, 2002: The 14th General
Assembly of the International Mathematical Union (IMU) will be held in Shanghai, China,
August 17-18, 2002, before the International Congress of Mathematicians (ICM-2002). The
meeting will take place at Pudong Shangri-La Hotel, 33 Fu Cheng Road, Pudong New Area,
Shanghai 200120, China, telephone 86-21-68828888, fax 86-21-68829998. The procedures
for room reservations will be announced with the invitation letters from the Local Organizing
Committee to the delegates appointed by the Adhering Organizations/National Committees.
More information can be found at www.mathca.com/ICM2002.html. You are hereby
requested to designate the delegation of your country. Please enter on the attached form the
names of your delegates, with alternates if any, together with their addresses and return the
form to the Secretariat by March 1, 2002, fax number, 1 (609) 683-7605.

3) AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY: The Executive Committee of IMU
invites you to suggest agenda items for the General Assembly in August in Shanghai. Please
send your suggestions to IMU Secretariat at the address below or fax them to 1 (609) 683-
7605 or e-mail to imu@ias.edu.
4) **ELECTIONS:** The National Committees are invited to send suggestions before March 15, 2002, for the composition of the next Executive Committee (EC), the Commission on Development and Exchange (CDE), the International Commission on Mathematical Instruction (ICMI), and the International Commission on the History of Mathematics (ICHM), which is a joint Commission of IMU and the International Union of the History and Philosophy of Science (IUHPS). Information is available on the IMU website at: http://www.mathunion.org/election_procedures.html

5) **SPECIAL DEVELOPMENT FUND (SDF)/TRAVEL GRANTS FOR YOUNG MATHEMATICIANS:** IMU is making a major effort to bring as many qualified young mathematicians as possible from developing countries to the International Congress of Mathematicians-2002 in Beijing, China, August 20-28, 2002 (http://www.icm2002.org.cn). For ICM-98 in Berlin, the IMU financed the trips of 99 young mathematicians and the German Organizing Committee covered local expenses. We hope to increase this number to 110 or even 120 in 2002. Donations to the SDF may be sent at any time and in any convertible currency to the following account:

IMU account at Institute for Advanced Study
PNC Bank
76 Nassau Street
Princeton, NJ 08540
ABA # 031207607
Account # 8011913872

Please see the IMU website for the list of member countries that have contributed to SDF in the period 1991-2000: http://www.mathunion.org/Travel_Grants_DC/fund.html.

Thank you very much for your attention and cooperation,

Yours truly,

Phillip A. Griffiths