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Correspondence of IASA; Correspondence of Claes Cnattingius, Stockholm, 968-1978

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In the 51th issue of the *Phonographic Bulletin* the first group of documents from the History Committee archives was published.

The second group contains correspondence of Claes Cnattingius, Grammofonarkivet of Swedish Radio in Stockholm. The correspondence covers the first ten years of IASA, 1968-1978.

The collection begins with some letters related to the establishment of IASA. When FIP, the Fédération Internationale des Phonothèques (see Phonographic Bulletin no. 51), did not seem to function, a Provisional Council of FIP with Israel Adler in the chair decided to establish a new organisation which resulted in the founding in Amsterdam of IASA, 1969.

Several members of IAML were involved, amongst them Claes Cnattingius. He became the first Treasurer of the new Association (till 1975) and a lively correspondence came into being with the first secretary, Rolf Schuursma, then in Utrecht. Amongst other correspondents were Don Leavitt, first President of IASA, Tim Eckersley who succeeded him as President in 1972 (Bologna) and David Lance who succeeded Rolf Schuursma as secretary in 1975 (Montreal). Many more familiar names are to be found in the letters, such as Dietrich Lotichius, Harald Heckmann and Dietrich Schüller, who succeeded Tim Eckersley as President in Montreal, 1975. In 1978 Claes Cnattingius became chairman of the Joint IAML/IASA Commission on Music and Sound Archives which was founded during the IAML/IASA conference in Lisbon in the same year.

A letter with information about the Commission ends the present group of documents.