NOTE OF THE DIRECTION COMMITTEE

With its 305 book abstracts, the 29th volume of the *International Bibliography of Military History* is particularly voluminous. We received even more, but because of our limited means, we needed to put around 50 aside for the next volume. We hope that this does not annoy our correspondents, who we thank for their precious collaboration. We also thank Ciro Paoletti, member of our Bibliographical Committee, for his thematic report on Italy’s military history during the last years. Count Niccolo Capponi provided the English translation which was reviewed by Nathaniel Powell.

From the financial standpoint, the Bibliography has had trouble. Due to further budgetary restrictions in the Swiss Ministry of Defence, its existence under the current format is threatened. Through these financial cuts, we have lost half of our financial resources in only three years. Consequently, the future looks uncertain and the Direction Committee is searching for new long term solutions. Nevertheless, we are certain to publish next year volume 30 under the current format.

Fortunately, we were able to obtain generous financial support this year. Particularly, we would like to express our gratitude to the Saint-Cyr and Sandoz foundations, thanks to whom we could publish the present volume. Of course, we cannot forget all the other institutions and sponsors who have supported us for many years. We also express our sincere thanks to them.

We have the sad duty to inform you about the passing of Commander Igor Amosov. He was a member of the Committee and our Russian correspondent for many years. Despite the Russian Commission of Military History’s difficulties, he continued to work with us. Through these few lines, we would like to convey a final tribute to him and thank him for his collaboration.

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