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Report of the Study Group in Group Analysis Committee

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In principle since Lisbon our Committee has been working with Dr. Antonio Guilherme Ferreira from Portugal and Francesco di Maria on a co-chairmanship basis. I met with the latter in Palermo last April and we have corresponded plenty with other members of the Study Group. We are hoping to arrange a meeting during the next Board of Directors meeting and if possible as well during the Heidelberg Symposium.

The two aims agreed at the Montreal meeting as published by the Forum are well on the go. We will bring to Heidelberg the questionnaire on "the identity of the group analyst" produced by the Laboratorio de Gruppo Analisi di Palermo and also the proposal made by Alfreda Galt of the Lifwynn Foundation to pursue and concretize the general theme we agreed on for a Symposium in Buenos Aires. To concretize the theme of study for the next two years, she suggests a group-analytic research addressed to answer the important two questions raised by Malcolm Pines and Max Rosenbaum at the Montreal Plenary, namely and respectively *"to think... why we as group therapists haven't been called upon in the effort to understand the terrible tragedies that are going on in the world"* and *"It is kind of ironic that we have a Conference here on "Love and Hate" and yet we are not called upon why a nation fragments, why people are killing one another and why children are dying in Somalia Somewhere we are failing and I think that is what Tringant Burrow was asking us to explore"*. I will bring copies of both proposals with me to the Board of Directors to be distributed

Signed Prof. Dr. Juan Campos-Avillar

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