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Ethiopian manuscripts

Robert Beylot informed the Journal (by letter March 4, 1999) about the following manuscripts:

1. À **Prague**: Oriental Institute (Orientalni Ustav) AV ČR – Library exchange – Pod Vodárenskou Vezi 4/182 08 Praha 8 – Czech Republic.
Cet Institut de l'Académie des Sciences, selon le Directeur de sa Bibliothèque, le Docteur David Chaloupka, lettre du 22/10/1998, garde plus de 130 manuscrits et fragments éthiopiens. Les fragments sont dans un état variable. Orientalia Mappe N° VI, fragments from private collection of Professor Th. Hopfner. Ils n'ont pas été catalogués.
2. À **Budapest**: Magyar Tudományos Akadémia Könyvtára-Library of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, H-1245 Budapest, PO Box 1002: Six manuscrits géez, catalogués en 1979 par le Docteur William F. Macomber de Colledgeville (Lettre de la bibliothèque du 28/05/1998).
3. À **Oslo**: Etnografisk Museum, Frederiksgate, 2, N-0164 Oslo: seraient exposés 2 ou 3 manuscrits éthiopiens. Le musée ne m'a pas répondu.
4. À **Neuchâtel**, le Musée d'Ethnographie de Neuchâtel, 4 Rue Saint Nicholas, CH-2000 Neuchâtel (Suisse): conserve des bijoux éthiopiens et une douzaine de peintures qui parfois portent des inscriptions, qui ne sont pas toujours en amharique (lettre du 20/11/1998).

International Conferences

In view of the circumstances currently affecting the relations between Ethiopia and Eritrea, the editorial committee of AETHIOPICA would like to make the following call:

Everything possible should be done to avert the break down of relations between the scholars of the two countries; the transfer of academic knowledge should by no means be hampered; international conferences and meetings should be neutral and must remain uninfluenced by the prevailing political developments.

January 11–17, 2000 Asmara (Eritrea): *Against all Odds: Languages and Literatures into the 21st Century*

November 2000 Addis Ababa (Ethiopia): *XIVth International Conference of Ethiopian Studies*

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