

**IPSA 1979 World Congress
 Visa Non-Discrimination Policy**

The Executive Committee of the International Political Science Association has published a visa non-discrimination policy for the 1979 World Congress to be held in the Soviet Union in the recent issue of its newsletter, *Participation*. The statement is as follows:

The Executive Committee of the IPSA accepts assurances by the Chairman of the Soviet Organization Committee that there will be no discrimination in the issuing of visas. It recog-

nizes that certain technical problems may arise. Participants in the Congress will be instructed to request their visas at least three months prior to the Congress. The Soviet authorities will be asked to inform applicants about the visa decision at the latest one month prior to the Congress (by July 12th, 1979) and, if possible, to indicate reasons should there be a refusal. In case of failure to obtain a visa, participants are advised to contact the Secretary-General of the IPSA one month prior to the Congress. The President and Secretary-General of IPSA will then enter into discussion with the Soviet Organization Committee and the Soviet authorities.

Regional and State Political Science Associations

At the 1977 Annual Meeting of the Association, officers of the state and regional associations again met. The meeting provided officers an opportunity to discuss mutual concerns in conducting state and regional associations as well as ways in which the organizations can be strengthened.

PS is publishing its annual list of state and regional political science associations including organizations, officers, publications, and meetings in this issue. Further information as well as additions or corrections to the list will be appreciated.

Detailed information on activities and meetings of state and regional associations for the past and forthcoming conference section of *PS* will also be most welcome.

Associations	Officers	Publications	Meetings
REGIONAL			
Midwest Political Science Association	President: Robert Sallsbury, Washington University, St. Louis Vice President: John Gillespie, Indiana University	American Journal of Political Science, W. Phillips Shively, University of Minnesota, Editor	April 20-22, 1978 Pick-Congress Hotel Chicago, Illinois
National Capital Area Political Science Association	President: Karl H. Cerny, Georgetown University 2nd Vice President: Barbara Knight, George Mason University Secretary-Treasurer: Walter E. Beach, American Political Science Association	Capsule (Newsletter), Morris Levitt, Howard University, Editor Short Essays in Political Science (Compiled from spring conference)	March 4, 1978 Georgetown University
New England Political Science Association	President: Clement E. Vose, Wesleyan University Secretary-Treasurer: Gerald J. Grady, University of Massachusetts, Amherst	Directory of Members (Survey of New England Departments of Political Science)	April 7-8, 1978 Boston College, Newton Campus
Northeastern Political Science Association	President: Marvin Maurer, Monmouth College 1st Vice President: Peter Brett, University of Hartford 2nd Vice President: Stephen Koff, Syracuse University Secretary-Treasurer: Gerald J. Grady, University of Massachusetts, Amherst	Polity, Peter Filless, University of Massachusetts, Editor	
Northern California Political Science Association	President: Charles Kunsman, San Jose State University Vice President: Harry Harding, Stanford University Secretary-Treasurer: John M. Selig, City College of San Francisco		
Pacific Northwest Political Science Association	President: Donald R. Matthews, University of Washington President-Elect: Kenneth Hossum, Eastern Washington State Secretary-Treasurer: Russell Dondero, Pacific University	Western Political Quarterly, Donald Hanson, University of Utah, Editor	April 28-29, 1978 Seattle, Washington