

Letter from PROFMEX President James W. Wilkie

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In reporting on PROFMEX activities, I am pleased to announce eight important advances for the organization.

First, the full name of PROFMEX has been modified from "The Consortium of U.S. Research Programs on Mexico" to "The Consortium for Research on Mexico." This change is necessitated by the expansion of PROFMEX in Mexico.

Second, there are three changes on the PROFMEX Board of Directors. **Silvia Ortega Salazar** has been elected by the Board to represent the Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana - Azcapotzalco (UAM-Azc). **Cathryn L. Thorup**, who formerly represented the Overseas Development Council (ODC), has been elected to represent the University of California, San Diego. **Albert E. Utton** has been elected to the Board to represent the Transborder Resource Center.

Third, the PROFMEX Board has approved the creation of a secretariat in Mexico under the direction of Edmundo Jacobo Molina at UAM-Azc. As Secretario General, he will share duties with Executive Secretary George Baker. Lic. Jacobo heads the Department of Economics at UAM-Azc and his university will copublish volumes with PROFMEX and will distribute the *Mexico Policy News*. Further, UAM-Azc will copublish with PROFMEX and ANUIES the results of the bilateral university meetings, beginning with the volumes from the V Conference held in Mexico City in 1988 and the VI Conference held in Mazatlán in October 1990.

Fourth, through its secretariats in Mexico and the United States, PROFMEX is organizing MEXNET, an organization based upon the PROFMEX and ANUIES memberships. MEXNET is a network of U.S. and Mexican institutions and individuals interested in Mexico and U.S.-Mexican interactions, in developing research and exchange programs, and in Mexican grassroots development, and public policy.

Fifth, PROFMEX members will regularly receive a number of free periodicals, listed in the PROFMEX membership form in this issue of the newsletter.

Sixth, PROFMEX members will receive sample issues of the following periodicals in order to be able to consider subscribing:

- El Cotidiano (published bimonthly by UAM-Azc)
- Revista Mexicana de Comunicación (published bimonthly by the Fundación Manuel Buendía)

Seventh, PROFMEX members will continue to receive the proceedings of the PROFMEX-ANUIES conference series and discounts on the PROFMEX Monograph Series.

Eighth, I am pleased to invite you to attend the VI PROFMEX-ANUIES Conference, to be held in Mazatlán, October 3-7, 1990. The program and registration form are listed elsewhere in this newsletter. The complete conference registration fee and hotel package is very

attractive, \$250 (single) and \$300 (double) for four nights, banquet and receptions.
PROFMEX looks forward to seeing you in Mazatlán.