INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

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This report will provide information concerning my efforts as International Representative to assist the work of libertarian political parties and activists throughout the world.

- 1) Geoff Neale, chair of the International Alliance of Libertarian Parties (and immediate-past LNC chair), has informed me that the IALP has had difficulty in establishing a bank account for the organization. Specifically, he said that changes in U.S. banking laws have turned U.S. citizens into "persona non grata" in banking. Because of this, efforts by European members of IALP to establish a Swiss bank account for the organization have been made difficult. (Apparently, Swiss banks are hesitant to open an account if U.S. citizens are signatories; the IALP chair and secretary are US citizens.)
- 2) Mr. Neale raised the possibility of holding an IALP meeting concurrent with the LP national convention in Orlando next year. He noted that the IALP is aware there are financial restrictions that may come into play, such as prohibitions on donations from non-U.S. citizens to the LP.
- 3) I am pleased to report that I gave addresses at the European Students For Liberty regional conferences in Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina (Sept. 26) and Istanbul, Turkey (Oct. 31). Unfortunately, due to scheduling conflicts, I had to decline invitations to address ESFL conferences in Paris, Sofia, Copenhagen, and Wroclaw.
- **4)** At this time, I consider it likely that I shall meet with libertarians in Prague next year. Since I was unable to visit either Brazil or Australia this year, I hope to be able to visit at least one of these countries in 2016.