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Wednesday August 30, 1989 —
Golden Tulip
Barbizon Center Hotel

18.00 Opening session and official welcome
by Prof. G. N. J. Tytgat and Prof. M. N. van der Heyde
followed by cocktails

Friday September 1, 1989 —
Golden Tulip
Barbizon Center Hotel

20.00 Congress buffet
Welcome Letter

Dear Colleague

Most welcome to Amsterdam. The Organising Committee of the 1st Meeting of the International Gastro-Surgical Club (IGSC) wishes you a pleasant and fruitful participation at this Congress.

When we founded the IGSC our aim was to create a joint venture between surgeons, gastroenterologists and hepatologists in order to promote a better understanding and close interdisciplinary co-operation.

We thought that by working together we could succeed in giving answers to a number of controversial questions.

To this aim we organise planned publications in our journal Hepato-Gastroenterology and arrange a number of co-ordinated postgraduate courses in an attempt to offer a system of CME and postgraduate education for our members.

One year after the foundation of IGSC we are organising the present meeting for which we seek your understanding and co-operation.

- Today we have with us in Amsterdam representatives from all over the world.
- Today is an opportunity to meet old friends and to create new friendships.
- Today we have the opportunity to build a basis for the future of this organisation.

The success of this meeting will be the landmark for our union.

We rely on your enthusiasm and on your support to make this meeting successful. As you will see from the enclosures, for 1990 we already arranged the second of our yearly meetings. Also for 1990 we settled seven satellite meetings in Salonica, Budapest, Padova, Madeira, Munich, Madrid, and Brussels.

For 1990 we are asking you to give us your proposals for potential clinical trials with items of your preference and to join our section “Medicine without frontiers”. It is time to realize that we should offer our up-to-date medical expertise in form of lectures, operative and endoscopic demonstrations to a number of countries where this knowledge is really requested. On the occasion of this meeting we display a list of volunteers for this humanitarian purpose.

The committees for both the “Clinical trials” and the “Medicine without frontiers” will consider your proposals carefully. Today the IGSC already speaks and acts for nearly 1000 members. It's up to us to make the IGSC active, creative and successful!

Thanking you in advance for your support.

The Organizing Committee

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