

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

As your new President, I have been thinking for some time about what I would like to see happen with the International Academy of Pathology during my tenure. While mulling this over in my mind, it became apparent to me that some prioritization is needed lest too much emphasis and time is spent focusing on issues of lesser importance while at the same time missing opportunities for greater impact on the Academy as a whole. To this end, I have developed a plan for helping to move the Academy ahead, for helping to more clearly define the role of the IAP for the Pathologist of the future, and for helping to clarify the role of Pathology in the medicine of the future. My plan has 4 major elements:

1. To create an effective communication network between the Division Presidents and the IAP President.
2. To create an electronic file for the purpose of having a quarterly update/briefing among the Division Presidents and the IAP President.
3. To create an official *ad hoc* committee called The President's Task Force on the Way Ahead, which will be composed of Dr. Florabel G. Mullick, Dr. David Hardwick, Dr. H.K. Ng, Dr. Robert Osamura, and Dr. Eduardo Santini-Araujo. The purpose of this Task Force will be to objectively review the overall status of the IAP; that is to say, the budget, the constitution and by-laws, communications issues, etc. and make recommendations.
4. To schedule a physical meeting of the Task Force at a location to be determined on a date to be determined.

To close, I would like to ask all of the Vice Presidents to think about the IAP Divisions within their regions. Identify each specific IAP Division you have under your Vice Presidential region and I would encourage you to actively engage in obtaining information about and from each one of your regional IAP Divisions. The task I propose for you for the next meeting is to prepare a listing of all these IAP Divisions within your region and send a complete list to me. Email is quickest: [mullick@afip.osd.mil](mailto:mullick@afip.osd.mil)

Thank you again for your confidence in me and the very great honor of being your president.

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