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Member of The Board of Directors 2008-2009) – Radioscientist Emeritus, Comm. Research Centre Canada. Licensed Radio Amateur since 1947; BAsC/MASc, U of British Columbia-1945/51; PhD Cantab, Cambridge U - 1953/58. Many peer reviewed papers, articles & technical correspondence, relevant to the field of radio comm & history of wireless; author of a chapter in The (1983) Handbook on Antenna Design, and a 2006 John Wiley Book on The History of Wireless. Life Senior Member IEEE A&P Society, Technical Advisor ARRL, Life Member Quarter Century Wireless Association, Member Antique Wireless Association.

Position Statement

In my Position Statement for my first term (2008-2009) as a Member of the Board of Directors, I addressed specifically my concerns that the number and the quality of technical contributions published in our **Proceedings** had decreased significantly, particularly compared with early years, but compared with the time when I joined The RCA, in May 1992.

I was also concerned with the lack of knowledge about our Club, even the existence of our Club, amongst non-members, radio amateurs, and scientists and engineers in my areas of interest (antennas and propagation, and the history of wireless).

During my term as a Member of our Board of Directors, I had foreseen difficulties in accomplishing what I said I would do, but I never foresaw the difficult year we had in 2008, difficulties that resulted in an expulsion and resignations of members that held similar interests and views as mine.

On the more positive side, our **100th Anniversary** year was a challenge. I talked myself into soliciting and editing a set of contributed papers for our **Platinum Jubilee Yearbook**, which I did, 12 papers written by professional radio amateurs, university professors, engineers in research laboratories and industry, and one by myself. And, as you will know, this special issue of our Yearbook will be published on a DVD, along with a scanned copy of everything that The RCA has published since c1914, including the Golden and Diamond Jubilee Yearbooks (a thank you for an enormous job well done by Ron Jakubowski, K2RJ).

In my view we accomplished more than I foresaw at the outset. This DVD which will certainly be read by many who are not members of The Club, by radio amateurs, researchers, and particularly by historians. Recall that our **Proceedings** have been available only to Members of the Club. It should be the best Promotional Package to attract new Members, and to inform whoever about our Club, that we have had since I do not know when.

During my term as a Member of the Board in 2010-2011, if elected, I will continue to solicit papers for our **Proceedings**, and to emphasize attachment to amateur radio organizations and scientific societies that I am a member of or a respected contributor to (the ARRL, the RSGB, the QCWA, the AWA, and the IEEE A&P Society).