Recruitment

Members may be interested to learn that since Ian Budge launched the recruitment campaign in late spring, 1975, the Association has gained 80 new members, of which 27 are in Polytechnics, and lost 10, through resignation, 'lapse', death and 'not known at this address'. The total membership is now 618. The EC is extremely keen to continue this upward trend, and existing members are asked to give whatever help they can to Ian Budge at Essex University in his continuing campaign.

Miscellany

An Inter-University Political Science Seminar has been formed in Dublin. It is co-ordinated by Tom Garvin, University College, Belfield, Dublin 4, and held a successful meeting in November. Another has been arranged for December 5th, at which Dr.Ron Hill (TCD) will speak on 'Party Linkage and the Soviet Communist Party' and Mr.Colm McCarthy (IPA) & Mr.Terry Ryan (TCD) on 'A Model of Voter Transitions at Recent British and Irish Elections'.

A conference on <u>Teaching Politics to Adults</u> has been arranged by Peter Wassell, Department of Extra-mural Studies, The University, Edinburgh, to be held at that University, March 25-28th, 1976. The programme includes discussion of teaching methods in the liberal adult context, new experiments, and attempts to develop wider public interest. There will also be time off to explore the city. Enquiries to the organiser (as above).

Professor Guy B.Peters, The University of Delaware, is a Visiting Fulbright Lecturer at Strathclyde University during 1975-76. He has written on long term trends in public expenditure on welfare in Sweden, Britain, France and the USA.

Theodore (Ted) Lowi, John L.Senior Professor of American Institutions at Cornell University, wishes to study and teach in a British department of politics for an academic year. Anyone interested in welcoming Professor Lowi should contact Dr. W.Wallace, RIIA, Chatham House, 10, St.James's Square, London SW1Y 4LE, in the first instance. He is particularly interested in the policy studies field.

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THE SUBSCRIPTION FOR 1976 IS £5. If you have not already paid please EITHER SEND A CHEQUE PAYABLE TO THE ASSOCIATION to the Treasurer (Dr.W.P.Grant, Department of Politics, The University of Warwick, Coventry CV4 7AL) OR COMPLETE AND SEND THE NEW BANKER'S ORDER, which you should have received recently, TO YOUR BANK. FAILURE TO CHANGE OLD BANKER'S ORDERS CAUSES THE TREASURER TROUBLE AND COSTS THE ASSOCIATION MONEY.

* as only five entries have been received for the competition to find a name for the <u>Newsletter</u> the closing date is now to be the start of the Conference. Entries to Jeffrey Stanyer.