MEDICAL COMMISSION of the CZECH MOUNTAINEERING FEDERATION SOCIETY FOR MOUNTAIN MEDICINE, Czech Republic

REPORT ON THE ACTIVITY 2000-2001

The Medical Commission of the Czech Mountaineering Federation

The commission continues its activity and informs regularly more than 300 mountaineering clubs in the Czech Republic as well as all physicians and mountaineering clubs in the Slovak Republic by means of special newsletters as well as new Internet home page of the Federation (http://www.horosyaz.cz).

Again, in 2001, more than 100 new mountaineering instructors closed their education. The Medical Commission still updates lectures notes on basic knowledge in first aid, high altitude medicine and accident prevention for these courses.

Information Sheet — "Bulletin of the Medical Commission and Society for Mountain Medicine 2001" with reports on Health Problems in Mountaineering is available on the web site (detailed medical expedition reports, report on the Cold Congress Bruneck 2000, documents of the UIAA MedCom on Women in Mountaineering, Sports Climbing and Competitions, Portable Hyperbaric Chambers) and will be printed in September 2001.

Society for Mountain Medicine in the Czech Republic

At the present there are 90 members in the Society. The 11th Jiří Pelikán Memorial Mountain Medicine Seminar on "Contemporary Problems of Mountain Medicine" took place in 29.9. – 1.10.2000 in Makov (Slovakia). The main topics were first and foremost:

- Health education in Czech Mountaineering Federation,
- Medical reports of the mountaineering and wilderness expeditions in 2000 (Broad Peak 2000 - Dr. Vrbka, Cho Oyu 2000 - Dr. Chrastil, Bolivia 2000 ("Following the Incans' footsteps") - Dr. Holub, Irian Jaya 2000 (an attempt to reach Carstenz Pyramid) -Dr. Říhová, Dr. Herrmann, Peru 2000 (Alpamayo) - Dr. Bloudková),
- Detailed report on the Meeting of the UIAA Medical Commission and Cold Congress in Bruneck 2000,
- Discussion on the medical kits for mountaineers and physicians in mountains inclusive a compendium how to use medicaments by non-medical persons.

The Society has established his new own web homepage – www.horska-medicina.cz (Webmaster Dr. Petr Machold) and operating web site www.volny.cz/i.rotman.

The president of the Commission and of the Society took part in the Meeting of the UIAA Medical Commission and Cold Congress in Bruneck 2000.

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