NEWS OF THE MEMBERS

- Werner Sigg has been appointed Ambassador of Switzerland to the People's Republic of China.
- Franz Rosenthal will be the sixth recipient of the Giorgio Levi
 Della Vida Award in Islamic Studies. This honor will be
 presented to him at the Gustave E. von Grunebaum Center for
 Near Eastern Studies, UCLA, May 13, 1977.
- James A. Bill, Professor Government and Associate Director of the Center for Middle Eastern Studies at the University of Texas at Austin has been awarded a National Endowment for the Humanities grant to direct a seminar in the 1977 Summer Seminars for College Teachers program. The subject of Dr. Bill's seminar is "Middle Eastern Political Systems."
- Richard W. Cottam has recently published, FOREIGN POLICY MOTIVATION:

 A GENERAL THEORY AND A CASE STUDY, University of Pittsburgh
 Press, Pittsburgh, PA 15260. (\$12.50).
- Alexander Melamid of the Department of Economics of New York University will be Visiting Professor at the University of Sydney (Australia) 1975/6; teaching Middle East and Geography and Economic Development Research in the development of Australian dry regions. Professor Melamid was Visiting Professorial Fellow at the University of Durham (England) during the summer of 1976; research on Middle East economic development. Research on Cyprus: Economic aspects of the evolution of territorial status, May 1976.
- Lawrence Rosen has recently been appointed to the faculty of Princeton University as Professor of Anthropology.
- Muhammad Umar Memon of the University of Wisconsin, Madison,
 Department of South Asian Studies has recently published
 Ibn Taimiya's Struggle against Popular Religion, with an
 Annotated Translation of his Kitab iqtida' aş-şirat almustaqim mukhalafat ashab al-jahim (The Hague: Mouton &
 Co., 1976).
- Tawfic Farah and Faisal Al-Salem of the Political Science Department of Kuwait University, have recently published Research Methods in Political Science (in Arabic). To order send a check for \$7.00 to T.E. Farah, PO Box 5486 Kuwait.

