## Announcements

The Third WORLD CONGRESS ON MEDICAL LAW will be held in Gent, Belgium on 19 to 23 August 1973. The topics will be:

Medicine and law versus human life; Medico-juridical problems concerning the medical act; Medical secrecy; Medico-juridical problems related to transplantation; Drugs and drug addiction; Medical science and legal proof and Social security in the field of medical care.

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The Ninth Congress of the International Academy of Legal Medicine and Social Medicine will be held at Palazza dei Congressi, Rome, from 24 to 28 September 1973. Two general reports will be developed, one regarding the social medicine in the protection of public health, and one regarding the outlines of a maritime legal medicine. The presider of the session devoted to the latter will be Professor Milton Helpern.

Round tables on the following subjects will take place: the technical organization for identifying the victims of catastrophes, the teaching of modern legal medicine and the professional activity of the legal doctor, the medico-legal and medico-social problems of abortion, the medico-legal methodology regarding the compensation of the damage to person, the ascertainment of the moment of death, and the ascertainment of paternity.

The simultaneous translation into English, French and Italian is assured; the simultaneous translation into German and Spanish may be provided for.

An international group discussion will be devoted to the most modern techniques of research applied to the medico-legal laboratory; another session will be devoted to the history of legal medicine and social medicine.

The first meeting of the European College for the study of the evaluation of the damage to person may also take place on this occasion.

Papers will be welcome on different chapters of legal medicine and social medicine and particularly on: the method and system of legal medicine; the relation of cause and effect; medicolegal psychology and psychopathology; toxicomanias; alcoholism; medico-legal traumatology; forensic thanatology; medico-legal laboratory investigations; medical deontology; medico-legal problems of criminal law; civil law; optional and compulsory insurances; the medico-legal problems of the road, air, and maritime traffic; the forensic odontology.

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MOUNT SINAI MEDICAL CENTER of Greater Miami, Miami Beach will hold the 2nd Annual "International Clinical Dialogues in Medicine and Surgery" at Chaim Sheba Medical Center, Tel-Hashomer, Israel from 20 October to 3 November 1973. Contact Mrs. Frances Richardson, Postgraduate Medical Education, Mount Sinai Medical Center, 4300 Alton Road, Miami Beach, Florida 33140.