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SYNOPSIS OF THE ORGANISATION AND ACTIVITY  
OF THE B.S.C. BELGIUM IN 1974-1975  
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1. A Belgian bird Strike Committee has been installed in 1975,. Representatives of the Belgian Air Staff, of the Tactical H.Q., of the Training Group, of the Meteorological Wing, of the Radar Stations and civil ornithologists are members of this Committee. Chairman is Major W. LEMAIRE, Chief of the Meteo Wing. Delegates of this B.S.C. Belgium will continue to participate in B.S.C.E. activities as during the past.
2. In 1974 new maps and information concerning bird-hazards (concentrations and migrations) have been introduced for the BELGIUM military A.I.I.
3. Directives concerning vegetation-cultures and distress-methods have been issued and distributed for application to the authority of all military airfield.
4. The investigations and experiments on Beauvechain airfield concerning the environmental vegetation and the presence of lap-wings, carried out during 1973-1974-1975 are concluded in 1975. A report concerning this investigations is presented in annex A.

5. A draft of a single European Bird movement/ bird concentration map has been issued within the framework of the Bird Movement Working Group of the B.S.C.E.  
This map should have a scientific background and will be useful for pilots i.e. for low level flights;  
Annex B represents the Belgian contribution to this map.
6. An experiment of electronic bird-counting is carried out by the Radar and Computer Center of SEMMERZAKE.  
The aim of the project is to obtain by automatic electronic counting the up-to-date bird intensity at any moment and in any area within the RADAR-coverage. (using the B.S.C.E conventional 0 to 8 scale). A report concerning the programming of this Bird-counting experiment with a real-time computer is prescuted in annex C.
7. On some military-airfields a local birdpopulation study will be undertaken by establishing a synoptic daily bird-counting procedure and an environment investigation.
8. A special effort is made to obtain a more accurate identification of bird-species by bird-strikes.

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