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## THE INTERNATIONAL TASK FORCE ON WOMEN IN CARTOGRAPHY

The Secretariat of The International Task Force on Women in Cartography, established in Ottawa, Canada early in 1989, is now embarking on its survey, report and recommendations on the status of women in cartography. The survey will examine societal trends in equality of the sexes, measure the status of women in cartography, provide an overview of the involvement of women in the ICA, determine what kinds of barriers have contributed to the disproportionately low participation of women in the ICA and in cartographic activities internationally, propose strategies for change, and make a variety of recommendations.

Created by ICA President D.R.G. Taylor, the Task Force is cochaired by Dr. Eva Siekierska of the Canada Centre for Mapping, Energy, Mines and Resources, Canada, and by Ms. Edel Lundemo, Head of the Norwegian Exhibition, Norwegian Mapping Authority.

The Task Force itself is international, with members from ten