## Special Notes

## ISI Section on Official Statistics

The International Statistical Institute has established a new Section named International Association for Official Statistics (IAOS).

The objectives of the Association shall be to promote the understanding and advancement of official statistics and related subjects, and to foster the development of effective and efficient official statistical services through international contacts among individuals and organizations including users of official statistics as well as research institutes.

The IAOS is an international association which is thus open to all those who are interested in official statistics in the broadest sense; the membership is not to be restricted to official statisticians but in particular academic statisticians and others using official statistics are also encouraged to join the IAOS.

The ISI Bureau has appointed a Provisional Executive Committee charged with the task of making the IAOS operational. The Committee is composed of: Chairperson V. Nyitrai (Hungary), M. Beyene (Ethiopia), J.L. Bodin (France), T.N. Güner (Turkey), T. Nakamura (Japan), J.L. Norwood (USA), L. Klaassen (Netherlands), E. Lunenberg (ISI-ex officio).

The annual membership dues for 1986 and 1987 are fixed at 35 Swiss francs. Those enlisted as members and having paid the 1986 dues before June 1, 1986, will be designated as IAOS Founder Members. UNESCO coupons may be used for dues payments.

Further information and application forms may be obtained from:

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## The 39th Annual Summer Institute in Survey Research Techniques

The Survey Research Center of the Institute for Social Research (ISR), The University of Michigan, will hold its 39th annual Summer Institute in Survey Research Techniques at ISR during the summer of 1986. Two fourweek sessions, beginning June 30th and ending August 22nd, will be offered. The program emphasis is on the sample survey as a basic measuring instrument for the social sciences. Teaching faculty in the Summer Institute are drawn primarily from the research faculty of the Departments of Sociology and Psychology of the University. Participants in the program gain familiarity with the application of survey research methods, including research design, sampling, measurement, questionnaire design, field methods, data management, and the statistical analysis of data. In addition to the nine graduate-level courses, the 1986 Summer Institute will offer two five-day short courses on the use and interpretation of survey data.

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