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Nepal Studies Association

Member Alert

Constitutional Amendment Proposed:

Should The Nepal Studies Association become the Association for Nepal and Himalayan Studies?

Members of the Nepal Studies Association are asked to consider the following amendment to the association's constitution:

Amend the Nepal Studies Association's constitution to change the name of the organization to Association for Nepal and Himalayan Studies and reconcile the language of the constitution relating to the organization's mission to reflect this wider scope.

According to the procedure described in the NSA Constitution, this amendment was proposed for preliminary approval by the Executive Council at the October, 1999 NSA Member's Meeting, and passed without opposition. It is now placed before the membership for consideration and final vote.

The Executive Council proposed the change in name in order to better reflect the expertise and interests of the organization's members. The question of the organization's name has roused lively debate in past discussions; NSA's officers want to assure all interested members their opportunity to be heard on the question. Members are thus invited to present arguments for and against the proposed name change. Any letters received before March 20, 2000 will be published in the next issue of *Himalayan Research Bulletin*, and members will then be asked to vote (a ballot will be sent with subscription renewal notices to current members following the publication of Volume XIX Number 2).

The constitution follows. Deletions called for by this amendment are indicated by [square brackets], changes to language to accommodate the amendment are in **BOLD CAPITALS**.