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FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR THE ICCA

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I am delighted to announce a most generous offer of financial support for the ICCA which has been made by Sr. Amador Cuesta, on behalf of his company "Comajesa", Madrid. Sr. Cuesta is the Spanish distributor for the Mephisto range of chess computers, and he is actively promoting computer chess in Spain in various ways. He has already started a Spanish Computer Chess Association, with a newsletter, and he has many plans to popularize computer chess in his country.

The principal aspects of Sr. Cuesta's offer are as follows:

1. A donation to the ICCA of US \$ 30,000, over a three-year period. US \$ 10,000 will be given to the ICCA by the end of 1987, and two more amounts of US \$ 10,000 at the end of 1988 and 1989.
2. Confirmation that Sr. Cuesta will be the organizer of the 1988 World Microcomputer Championships, in Spain, during August or September. In addition to making the local arrangements, Sr. Cuesta will be providing a playing hall and US \$ 5,000 towards the tournament budget.
3. An option to Sr. Cuesta, valid until late 1990, to host the 1992 World Computer Chess Championship, probably in Seville. In order to confirm this option there will be a guarantee of US \$ 80,000 for the tournament budget, and the provision of a playing hall.

On behalf of the ICCA I would like to thank Sr. Cuesta publicly for his generosity and interest in the ICCA and for his efforts to popularize computer chess in Spain. His country has a great tradition in human chess activities, including the organization of many Grandmaster tournaments and the 1987 Kasparov-Karpov match, and it is obviously a fertile area for the development of computer chess.

The ICCA has agreed to help Sr. Cuesta in his efforts in Spain.

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