

## Aerospace And Electronic Systems Society Chapters Committee Report

Following are the highlights of the AESS Chapter Committee;

### General:

- a- Chapters are in general doing well
- b- More chapters have been sending L31 reports
- c- All 2002 Chapter L31 reports are being evaluated for awards
- d- Region 5 Chapter operation and activities have been enhanced since 2002 chapters chairs training meeting in April 2002
- e- New chapters are doing well. Enquiries have been received from two locations in R1-R4 for new chapter formation.
- f- Russia Joint Chapter is changing to solo
- g- 18 chapter reports have been received compared to 16 last year
- h- Letters were mailed to all the sections with feasibility of forming AESS Chapters. Several section leaders have shown interests in new chapters. One of the attractions is distinguished speakers program. Additional visits should be encouraged to cover more chapters(may be funding issue).
- i- Region 9 AESS Chapter formation. After about a years coordination with Region 9, special visits to three sections in Region 9 have been finalized in mid-May. The agenda includes

Visiting sections in Buenos Aires , Rio and Sau Paulo to focus on the following

- 1- Meeting the section/chapter leaders and unaffiliated AESS members (Currently there are no AESS Chapters in Region 9)
- 2- Making a 2-3 hour workshop/information presentation. One of the exercise will be to organize a joint Aerospace and Systems related conference or mini-symposium in South America.
- 3- A Presentation on Space Station Subsystems. I am also looking at other additional ideas

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