

International Area Borders Committee Report
November 30, 2108

Due to scheduling conflicts, the committee did not meet this month.

The members of the committee are:

Ara H – Area 1

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Even though the international areas generally are organized by one area for each country, there still exists a number of countries that are split across various areas. The pattern seems to be more prevalent with the international areas that were first added.

Canada was the first international country to be added and is split into 8 areas.

Australia is split into 3 areas.

Brazil is split into 2 areas.

Russia has one area, but centers around the Moscow area. To understand the size of Russia, just keep in mind that there are 11 time zones in Russia

Ireland has 1 area, but there is competition with those GA rooms and regions that are currently affiliated with GA of the United Kingdom.

For these area definitions, we will be working with provinces, rather than counties, as is the case with the United States. There will be language problems, which may be a bit more challenging than some may think. Our biggest obstacle is that we don't know anyone that speaks Canadian (a simple attempt at levity).

We will initiate contact with the International Relations Committee to see if they can recommend people with whom the committee members can speak, in order to find those who can speak English when the native languages are not English.

The committee will follow many of the procedures established by the Domestic Area Borders Committee. Although no meeting was held, it appears on the surface that because of the fewer number of affected countries, that the committee's work might be concluded by Louisville. More to follow on that concept over the next few months.

Submitted by

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