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The Proceedings of the Third International Conference on Easter Island Research: Rapa Nui Rendezvous 1993

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This issue of RNJ contains a second part of the papers presented at the third international conference on Easter Island research, the Rapa Nui Rendezvous, held in Laramie, Wyoming, August 3-6, 1993. The conference was sponsored by the University of Wyoming, and was the first of the Easter Island conferences to be hosted in the United States. Sixty papers were presented by researchers from 18 countries. Over 250 participants attended the conference which was held in recognition of the contributions to Easter Island research made by the late William T. Mulloy, Wyoming anthropologist, and his colleagues of the 1955-56 Norwegian Expedition.

The conference was made possible by generous funding from the University of Wyoming Research Office and was strongly supported in numerous ways by members of the Easter Island Foundation, University of Wyoming Department of Anthropology, University of Wyoming College of Arts and Sciences, and University of Wyoming Office of Conferences and Institutes.

Thirty-one of the 60 papers were submitted for publication. Two were published previously in *Rapa Nui Journal*: "Reconstruction of the transport of the *moai* statues and *pukao* hats" by Pavel Pavel, (*RNJ*9(3): 67-72); and "*Jubaea*, the Palm of Chile and Easter Island" by Juan Grau, (*RNJ*10(2): 37-43). The first eight papers were published in the December issue of *Rapa Nui Journal*. This issue contains a second group which may not be in the order listed below as some are still incomplete. The last group of papers will be presented in the June or September issues of *Rapa Nui Journal*.

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