

International Mountain Society Formed

Overuse and abuse of mountain lands throughout the world has led to organization of the International Mountain Society, P.O. Box 3148, Boulder, CO 80307, "to strive for a better balance between human welfare, mountain environment, and development of resources."

Jack Ives, professor of mountain geocology at the University of Colorado, is the Society's first president. The \$25 membership includes a subscription to the quarterly Journal, *Mountain Research and Development*, co-published by United Nations University and the Society, with support from UNESCO. Journal contents will embrace a wide range of disciplines in the natural and human sciences, medicine, architecture, engineering and technology as they apply to highland areas.

Society aims are to further international collaboration for the protection of mountain lands and peoples and for the rational development of natural resources, to encourage basic and applied interdisciplinary research throughout the mountain world, to disseminate and apply knowledge that may help solve mountain land-use problems, and to help create research centers and national institutions throughout the world.