ABS RELIGIOUS STUDIES SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP, BI-ANNUAL SEMINAR NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE, December 20-22, 2002

PROGRAMME

FRIDAY, December 20th

Session I
7.00 pm  Introduction and History of the UK Seminars
7.30 pm  Todd Lawson (Montreal, Canada)
          “Lawh in Bahai Usage”
8:30 pm  Work in Progress, Miscellaneous Reports and Discussion

SATURDAY, December 21st

Session II
9:30-10:30  Ismael Velasco (Nottingham, UK)
            “The medium is the message”. Reflections on Kerygma
            (Proclamation) as a Conceptual Tool in Babi-Baha’i Studies.
10:30-11:00 BREAK
11:00-11:30 Masoud Afnan (Birmingham, UK)
            “Embryos and all that: Some Further Considerations”
11:30-12:30 Seena Fazel (Oxford, UK)
            “Trends in Baha’i Studies - An Examination Using Citation Analysis”
12:30-2:00 LUNCH

Session III
2:00-3:00  Will van den Hooaard (New Brunswick, Canada)
            “Siegfried (‘Freddie’) Shopflocker and Florence (‘Lorol’)
            Shhopflocker: Cases of Biographical Zoning.”
3:15-4:15  Lil Abdoo (London, UK)
            “Two Churchmen”
4:15-4:45  BREAK

SUNDAY, December 22nd

Session IV
9:30-10:30  Sholeh Quinn (Ohio, USA)
            “Some Historical Figures in the Kitab-i Iqan: Karim Khan Kirmani
            and the Irshad al-da‘wah”
10:30-11:00 Betsy Omidvaran (Dublin, Ireland)
            “Self-Narrative in Egypt in the Early Twentieth Century”
            Break
11:30-12:30 Stephen Lambden (Newcastle upon Tyne, UK; Ohio, USA)
            “Baha’u’llah and the Hebrew Bible: Citations and Tablets to Jews”

Session V
12:30-2:00 LUNCH
2:00-3:00  Panel/Group Discussion/Open Forum

4:45-5:45  Moojan Momen (Cambridge, UK)
            “Usuli, Akhbari, Shaykhi, Babi: The Tribulations of a Qazvin
            Family”
5:45-7:00  Panel Discussion: Wendi Momen (Northill, UK), George Ballentyne
            (BPT, Oakham) and others
            “Babi-Baha’i Literatures, Book Collecting, Publishing, and Sources”
7:00      DINNER