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# **Communications of the Secretariat** of the Swiss abroad



## **Good News**

Both Federal Chambres – the National Council and the Council of States – have passed the federal law on the political rights of the Swiss abroad. This law provides the latter with the possibility to participate, while staying in Switzerland, in national votes and federal elections, as well as to sign petitions for federal initiatives and referenda.

According to article 89 of the Constitution, the new law is now submitted to a three months delay, expiring on March 29th, 1976.

If the referendum is not demanded until that date, the Federal Council will have to determine when it shall take effect and marke provisions for enforcing it.

We look forward to giving you details, in due time, about the law and its application.

### Assembly of the Swiss Abroad 1976

The 54th Assembly of the Swiss abroad will take place in the beautiful town of Morat in the Canton of Fribourg. The main theme will be «Educating young Swiss from abroad in Switzerland».

We are looking forward to welcoming you on 27th, 28th and 29th August at Morat. The detailed programme and application form will be published on our June number.

#### **Book Review**

#### «La Cathédrale de Lausanne»

This work enables the reader to find out all about the archaeological and historical details of this astonishing architectoral masterpiece. The book has 300 pages, 322 illustrations, of which 16 are in colour and 4 on folding prospect. Issued by the Society for History and Art in Switzerland. Published by Payot SA.

Price: Fr. 69.— (In French only)

## MUBA 1976 (Swiss Industries Fair in Basle)

A well-established tradition: The gathering of Swiss from abroad at the Industries Fair in Basle. We hope to see large numbers of compatriots from outside Switzerland. This year, Friday,

#### 30th April 1976

has been reserved. We invite you to return your application on the slip below to the Secretariat of the Swiss abroad, Alpenstrasse 26, CH–3000 Berne 16, not later than 9th April 1976, so that we can let you have details regarding the meeting, as well as to reserve admission tickets which you will receive free of charge. The communal luncheon will be charged to individual participants.



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