HISTORY IS REPEATING ITSELF …

This year’s NUMIZMATIČKE VIJESTI is the eighteenth number of our periodical that I have edited and headed, starting in 1999. During those years NUMIZMATIČKE VIJESTI brought works by many Croatian and foreign authors on almost 5000 pages, so these numbers alone make up a respectable library. It must be added that our NUMIZMATIČKE VIJESTI has been coming out since 1939 and that during its 77 years it has published a large number of valued numismatic works.

I leaf through and read back numbers of NUMIZMATIČKE VIJESTI, including the editorial of six years ago. In it I find that the situation with respect to the periodical was almost the same then as it is today. Then I wrote: “I kept putting off writing this editorial because I was waiting for information about how much money the Ministry of Science, Education and Sports would provide for this year’s NUMIZMATIČKE VIJESTI. All that Ministry let us know was that we would certainly get something ..” Today, too, this Ministry (one of the funders of our NUMIZMATIČKE VIJESTI) is giving us the same answer, adding that we will know everything at the end of November or the beginning of December 2016. The Ministry of Culture, the second co-funder of our NUMIZMATIČKE VIJESTI, paid in 80% of their contracted funding for this year’s number long ago.

I hope that we will find out how much money we will get from the Ministry of Science and Education in several days’ time and print the number, which is completely ready. However, I will determine its exact size depending on the amount of money the Ministry approves.

And so, as we eagerly wait for the results of the competition for periodicals of the Ministry of Science and Education, we can only hope that this will happen soon and that we will soon be able to realise our great annual project for this year, putting out the periodical NUMIZMATIČKE VIJESTI no. 69.

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