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## Thanks to "Swiss Review"

I would like to thank you for sending "Swiss Review", which maintains the connection with our beloved homeland and keeps us informed about events there.

*Daisy Papaammanud, Greece*

Many thanks for "Swiss Review". When one is so far away from home, one reads the news from Switzerland with great pleasure.

*Hemmi family, New Caledonia*

Thanks to "Swiss Review", we are kept informed about the most important events in Switzerland. The level of the publication is also very high.

*B. Laeser, France*

## Voting (SR 3/98)

By now the knowledge must have got through that food that is genetically manipulated, supplemented with flavors from the laboratory and enriched with soya, is unhealthy. What will those who are allergic be able to eat and drink in the future? On visits to the homeland it has always seemed a good habit to buy

special foods to bring home. The question is now open whether I will still be able to do this after this referendum.

*Ursula Jahnz Buess, Germany*

## Economic areas instead of cantons? (SR 2/98)

Concerning Mr. Pidoux' pitch for revising the political setup of Switzerland there is but one conclusion: Cultural, social, and traditional values are totally ignored. What is it that holds Switzerland together? It's not language, not uniformity, not a "Führer-Prinzip" it's a sense of individual and regional identity that cherishes and respects the variety thereof.

*Walter S. Horchler, USA*

## For a Switzerland in favor of taking risks (SR 6/97)

Is it a coincidence that this article was written by a Swiss living abroad? My personal experience shows that such thoughts are often formulated by exile-Swiss. Can it be that only an uncluttered and direct view of Switzerland from outside its frontiers allows such a view, or is it rather that only flight from Switzerland remains open

## Readers' letters

The editors of Swiss Review are delighted with the numerous echoes they receive from readers. In particular, on the subject "Switzerland Second World War", we receive letters on a daily basis. In SR 1/98, we published two pages on this subject. We would now like to treat other subjects under "dialog". We ask for your understanding that not all letters can be published and that some must be shortened. We do not engage in correspondence about readers' letters.

to critical and uncomfortable Swiss citizens.

*Patricia Furrer, Finland*

That an official organ of Switzerland should print such a contribution gave me a pleasant surprise. It gives reason to hope that Switzerland is opening up a bit instead of behaving like a fearful hedgehog.

*D. Rosenbach, Germany*

## Women's archive (SR4/97): correction

Mrs. Marthe Gosteli attaches value to the fact that she presented the property, including the plot of land, to the Berne citizens' corporation, but not to the archive itself, which is run as a foundation independent from the citizens' corporation.

## Political advertisements

I am disconcerted to find regular CINS advertisements, although it seems to me that the aims of this organization do not at all coincide with the content of Swiss Review. Have the editors no influence on the acceptance of advertisements, do they have relations with the CINS, or do they have a politically neutral attitude to advertisers?

*Markus Wagner, Germany*

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*The Editors and the Publisher*

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