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## ACCOUNTING AND MODERNITY CONFERENCE

The Academy of Accounting Historians is sponsoring a conference entitled "Accounting and Modernity" on Saturday, August 12, 1995, immediately prior to the 1995 AAA annual meeting. The conference will be held at The University of Central Florida, Orlando, Florida. Registration and accommodation details may be obtained from the organizers listed below.

This conference will explore accounting as an expression and instrument of modernity. Modernity is defined, for purposes of the conference, as confidence in rationalism, science and technology to solve mankind's material and social problems. Examples of topics that might be explored are ways in which modernity has shaped contemporary accounting systems; how modernity has infused contemporary accounting research; what contemporary accounting systems—as modernist projects—do not account for; how contemporary accounting systems—as modernist projects—affect human behavior; the role of accounting in a postmodern world; accounting's relationship to other expressions of modernity such as modernist art, literature, and architecture; and the legitimacy of a modern/postmodern dichotomy and of theorizing accounting from such a perspective. An objective of the conference is to produce a monograph on the topic of accounting and modernity for the Monograph Series of the Academy of Accounting Historians.

The organizers and data for obtaining registration materials and hotel information

for the conference are:

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