

## Figure Captions

Figure 1. The *Boletín de la Sociedad Venezolana de Espeleología* has been printed in three different formats throughout its run. Since the 43rd issue, it is now completely online. All issues have been scanned and have been made available online.

Figure 2. Several Cuban speleologists made reference to the materiality of the *Boletín de la Sociedad Venezolana de Espeleología*. The first format of the publication contained cave maps in inserts that unfold.

Figure 3. In the 1973 International Congress of Speleology in Olomouc, Czechoslovakia, the leadership of the Sociedad Venezolana de Espeleología and the Sociedad Espeleológica de Cuba met in person. On the Venezuelan side were Juan Antonio Tronchoni (4th from left), Fernando Enrech (5th from left), and Antonio de la Rosa (6th from left). Their Cuban counterparts: Antonio Núñez Jiménez (2nd from left) and Angel Graña Gonzales (who took the photo). Of the five men, only Graña is still alive.

Figure 4. The only map resulting from an international collaboration between the SVE and another international speleology group, in this case the Grupo Cristal of the Sociedad Espeleológica de Cuba. Specifically, this is the only cave map, publishing in the *BSVE*, in which SVE members participated in the survey and mapping of a cave outside of Venezuelan territory. The cave in question is Cueva de la Fuente, in Holguín Province, Cuba (Guarch and Corella 2000: 24).