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Extraordinary 25th Congress of the International SAMBO Federation (FIAS)

Venue: 57, Nevsky Prospekt, St Petersburg, Russian Federation

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Time: 12:00-16:00

Attendance: out of the 78 national SAMBO federations that are members of FIAS, representatives of 56 national SAMBO federations that are members of FIAS, 11 members of the FIAS Executive Committee and invitees: Yuri Avdeyev, Chairman of the Physical Culture and Sports Committee of the Administration of St Petersburg; Andrey Selivanov, Deputy Director of the Russian Olympic Committee, Sergei Soloveichik, Chairman of Sport Accord World Martial Arts and Combat Sports Games; Ziyovuddin Khodjimiyazov, Representative of the Asian Olympic Council; Lord Simon Reading, President of the British Commonwealth SAMBO Association, and world SAMBO champions Mikhail Kokorin and Anton Novikov. A quorum is present.

V. B. Shestakov: Dear colleagues, welcome to St Petersburg. Today we are holding an Extraordinary Congress of the International SAMBO Federation (FIAS) at the request of 41 national SAMBO federations and pursuant to a decision of the FIAS Executive Committee of 31 August 2013. In accordance with the FIAS Charter, I give the floor to the Congress Chairman Roberto Ferraris, who is Acting Secretary General of the FIAS.

Roberto Ferraris: Good afternoon dear colleagues. I would like you to know that the FIAS Executive Committee has elected a Credentials Commission for this Congress consisting of: Committee Chairman, Mahmud Abdulloyev (Tajikistan), Commission Secretary, Rumon Stoilov (Bulgaria) and Commission Member, Yevgeny Selivanov (Russia). I would like to ask the Chairman of the Credentials Commission, Mahmud Abdulloyev, to report to the Congress on the results of registration of the national SAMBO federations taking part in the Congress.

Chairman of the Credentials Commission M. Abdulloyev: Good afternoon. I would like to report to you that the Credentials Commission of the 25th Congress of the International SAMBO Federation has registered 90 national SAMBO Federations representing all five continents, including:

- 56 national SAMBO federations that are members of FIAS and have all the proper authorisations to take part in the Congress;
- 34 national SAMBO federations that are not FIAS members.

The Congress is also attended by 11 members of the FIAS Executive Committee.
The total number of participants in the 25th FIAS Congress is 207.

Roberto Ferraris: As reported by the Chairman of the Credentials Commission, out of the 78 national SAMBO federations that are members of FIAS, 56 national federations that are members of FIAS and have all the authorisations to take part in the 25th FIAS Congress have been registered. A quorum for decision-making by the Congress is present. I declare the Extraordinary Congress of the International SAMBO Federation (FIAS) open.

Roberto Ferraris: I propose to approve the agenda for the Extraordinary Congress of the International SAMBO Federation (FIAS) proposed by the FIAS Executive Committee while changing the sequence of items: i.e. discuss “Financial Issues” after “Address of the FIAS President”, to consider the item “Elections” before the item “Amendments to the FIAS Charter” and to take up the items “Confirming the Chief Financial Partner of FIAS” and “Appointment of Auditors” together with the item “Report of the International Association for the Development of SAMBO.”

The following items are put before the Extraordinary Congress of FIAS:

1. Opening of the FIAS Congress
2. Verifying attendance
3. Approval of the agenda
4. Nomination and approval of the members of the Auditing Commission
5. FIAS membership
   5.1 Expulsion from FIAS (cancellation of FIAS membership)
   5.1.1 Czech SAMBO Federation
   5.1.2 Singapore SAMBO Federation
   5.1.3 Taiwan SAMBO Federation
   5.1.4 American Amateur SAMBO Federation
   5.1.5 New Zealand SAMBO Federation
5.2. Considering applications for FIAS membership 2013:
   5.2.1. Czech SAMBO Union
   5.2.2. Hungarian SAMBO Federation
   5.2.3 Singapore SAMBO Association
   5.2.4. Taiwan SAMBO Association
   5.2.5 SAMBO USA Inc.
   5.2.6. United SAMBO Federation of Canada
   5.2.7. SAMBO Federation of Antigua
   5.2.8 SAMBO Federation of Barbados
   5.2.9. SAMBO Federation of Nicaragua
5.2.10. SAMBO Federation of Guatemala
5.2.11. SAMBO Federation of Honduras
5.2.12. SAMBO Federation of Salvador
5.2.13. SAMBO Federation of Trinidad and Tobago
5.2.14. SAMBO Federation of Peru
5.2.15. SAMBO Federation of Santa Lucia
5.2.16. SAMBO Federation of Guyana
5.2.17. SAMBO Federation of Paraguay
5.2.18. SAMBO Federation of the Seychelles
5.2.19. SAMBO Federation of Mali
5.2.20. SAMBO Federation of Ghana
5.2.21. SAMBO Federation of the South African Republic
5.2.22. SAMBO Federation of Botswana
5.2.23. SAMBO Federation of Sri Lanka
5.2.24. SAMBO Federation of Congo
5.2.25. SAMBO Federation of the Democratic Republic of Congo
5.2.26. SAMBO Federation of Jamaica
5.2.27. SAMBO Federation of Surinam
5.2.28. SAMBO Federation of Cuba
5.2.29. SAMBO Federation of Ecuador
5.2.30. SAMBO Federation of Uruguay
5.2.31. SAMBO Federation of Bolivia
5.2.32. SAMBO Federation of Benin
5.2.33. SAMBO Federation of the Central African Republic
5.2.34. SAMBO Federation of New Zealand
5.2.35. SAMBO Federation of Angola
5.2.36. SAMBO Federation of Zambia
5.2.37. SAMBO Federation of Madagascar
5.2.38. SAMBO Federation of Nigeria
5.2.39. SAMBO Federation of Djibouti
5.2.40. SAMBO Federation of Burundi
5.2.41. SAMBO Federation of Tonga
6. Address by the FIAS President
7. Financial Issues
7.1. Treasurer’s report
7.2. The organisation’s balance sheet and accounting report for November 2012-October 2013

7.3. Auditors’ statement for 2011-2012

7.4 Preliminary budget for 2014.

8. Approval of the Minutes of the previous FIAS Congress

9. Elections

9.1. Election of the President of FIAS

9.2. Election of the members of the FIAS Executive Committee, FIAS Secretary-General, FIAS Vice-Presidents

9.3. Elections of the members of the FIAS Compliance Committee and Chairman of the FIAS Compliance Committee

10. Amendments to the FIAS Charter

11. FIAS Special Programmes


13. Report of the International Association for the Development of SAMBO. Approval of the chief financial partner of FIAS. Appointment of auditors

14. Date and venue of the next FIAS Congress

15. Any other business

16. Closure of the FIAS Congress.

Would anyone like to make any remarks concerning the agenda of the Extraordinary Congress?

Voting: 56 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions. Passed unanimously.

Roberto Ferraris: We have to approve the procedure. 20 minutes for reports on agenda items. 3 minutes for interventions. 30 minutes’ break. Who is in favour of this procedure?


Roberto Ferraris: I suggest that we nominate the tally commission.

The FIAS Executive Committee proposes electing a tally commission consisting of: Board Chairman Ravshan Akhmedzhanov (Uzbekistan), Commission members: Svetlana Sokolik (Austria) and Emil Rashi (Georgia).

Voting: 56 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions. Passed unanimously.

Roberto Ferraris: I ask the tally commission to start its work.

Roberto Ferraris: I give the floor to Sergei Yeliseyev, FIAS Vice-President on the item: “FIAS membership.”

Sergei Yeliseyev: The Executive Committee of the FIAS recommends the Congress to consider admitting and expelling the following national SAMBO federations. During the
past two years, the SAMBO Federation of the Czech Republic (headed by Wladislaw Kohout) has not been promoting SAMBO, has not been holding national championships and has not been taking part in world tournaments and championships (the documentary evidence is in the materials of the Congress). The Czech Republic SAMBO Federation has not yet been recognised by the National Olympic Committee and the Ministry of Education, Youth and Physical Culture of the Czech Republic. The Czech SAMBO Union (headed by Pile Lukáš) has been officially recognised by the top sports governing body in the Czech Republic, has 112 branches across the country where more than 700 athletes engage in SAMBO. Pile Lukáš is the mayor of the city of Milowica. We propose to expel the SAMBO Federation of the Czech Republic (headed by Wladislaw Kohout) from the FIAS as a disciplinary measure for the above-mentioned serious derelictions and to admit to the FIAS the Czech SAMBO Union (headed by Pile Lukáš).

**Voting:** 54 for, none against, 2 abstentions. Adopted by a majority of votes.

**S. V. Yeliseyev:** The FIAS Executive Committee recommends expelling the following SAMBO federations from the FIAS for omissions in the development of SAMBO and as a disciplinary measure for the derelictions set forth in the memorandum: the SAMBO Federation of Singapore, the SAMBO Federation of Taiwan, the American Amateur SAMBO Federation, the National SAMBO Federation of New Zealand.

**Voting:** 54 for, 0 against, 2 abstentions. Passed by a majority vote.

**S. V. Yeliseyev:** The Executive Committee of the FIAS recommends admitting the following national SAMBO federations to the FIAS: the SAMBO Federation of Hungary, the SAMBO Association of Singapore, SAMBO USA Inc., the SAMBO Federation of Nicaragua, the SAMBO Federation of Guatemala, the SAMBO Federation of Salvador, the SAMBO Federation of Trinidad and Tobago, and the SAMBO Federation of the Seychelles.

**Voting:** 51 for, 1 against, 4 abstained. Passed by a majority vote.

**S. V. Yeliseyev:** The Executive Committee of the FIAS recommends admitting the following National SAMBO Federations as alternative members of the FIAS: the Taiwan SAMBO Association, the United SAMBO Federation of Canada. The SAMBO Federation of Antigua, the SAMBO Federation of Barbados, the SAMBO Federation of Honduras, the SAMBO Federation of Peru, the SAMBO Federation of Santa Lucia, the SAMBO Federation of Guyana, the SAMBO Federation of Paraguay, the SAMBO Federation of Mali, the SAMBO Federation of Ghana, the SAMBO Federation of the South African Republic, the SAMBO Federation of Botswana, the SAMBO Federation of Sri Lanka, the SAMBO Federation of Cuba, the SAMBO Federation of Ecuador, the
SAMBO Federation of Uruguay, the SAMBO Federation of Benin, the SAMBO Federation of the Central African Republic, the SAMBO Federation of Angola, the SAMBO Federation of Burundi, the SAMBO Federation of Tonga and the SAMBO Federation of New Zealand.

Voting: 52 for, 0 against, 4 abstained. Passed by a majority vote.

**Roberto Ferraris:** I ask the authorised representatives of the nine new members of the FIAS – the Czech SAMBO Union, the SAMBO Federations of Hungary, the SAMBO Association of Singapore, SAMBO USA Inc., the SAMBO Federation of Nicaragua, the SAMBO Federation of Guatemala, the SAMBO Federation of Salvador, the SAMBO Federation of Trinidad and Tobago and the SAMBO Federation of the Seychelles to collect their voting cards from the Credentials Commission.

**Roberto Ferraris:** The President of the International SAMBO Federation (FIAS) Vasily Shestakov will now deliver the keynote report.

**V. B. Shestakov:** Good afternoon, esteemed delegates. I am glad to welcome you to the FIAS Congress, which is being held in the city of St Petersburg on the 75th anniversary of SAMBO. The four years since my election as FIAS President and of the team of experts representing the Executive Committee have sped by. Today we are reviewing the results and I would like to say from this podium, looking straight at you, that we are not ashamed of what we have accomplished in developing our favourite sport -- SAMBO. We have prepared for this meeting a booklet in four languages reflecting the results of FIAS activities in the outgoing year. I will, therefore, focus only on the main aspects of our work.

Joining the Olympic family.

For many SAMBO enthusiasts, the big red-letter day for this type of sport is that when it joins the world Olympic family. FIAS is committed to promoting SAMBO actively for the programme of the Olympic Games.

On 8 August 2013, I had a meeting at the FIAS Office with the Sports Director of the International Olympic Committee, Christophe Dubi. During this meeting, Mr Dubi made some recommendations for finalising the application book in accordance with the latest IOC requirements and an algorithm was determined for promoting SAMBO to temporary membership of the IOC.

The recent IOC session in Buenos Aires saw the election of a new IOC President, Thomas Bach, a distinguished figure in the German and international Olympic movement. “We are sure that we will be able to build a solid relationship with the new IOC President and we look forward to close cooperation with him in promoting SAMBO to the Olympic family.”
In accordance with IOC recommendations, this Congress is to introduce a number of changes. Specifically, the Executive Committee will have significantly increased representation of various National Federations, women will join the FIAS governing bodies, a commission of athletes will be set up to work with the FIAS Executive Committee, and a Code of Ethics will be approved.

One major area where a great deal more needs to be done is our interaction with WADA and work in the anti-doping field.

Unfortunately, WADA specialists find positive doping tests among our athletes at virtually every official competition. We are, of course, only at the beginning of the road and the culture of professional training and use of pharmacology potential have not yet been formed within the SAMBO environment.

All the FIAS anti-doping activities are conducted in close interaction with the Doping-Free Unit of SportAccord. A long-term programme has been developed for preventing and tracking drugs banned by WADA. For example, in a week’s time, at the junior world championship in Salonika (Greece), SportAccord specialists will carry out educational activities among experts and athletes and our sport reserve for the coming years.

This slide shows an international video link analysing a doping case.

A FIAS anti-doping commission is working actively under the leadership of Alexander Leseinskins, a lawyer from Latvia. I would like to express gratitude to the representatives of the Latvian SAMBO Federation.

Our steps to promote SAMBO in multi-sport events.

In 2013, SAMBO was, for the first time, included in the programme for the world summer university games (Universiade) in Kazan, Russia. In terms of the number of participants (255 athletes) and countries (44), SAMBO outstripped WRESTLING, which is an Olympic discipline. Every day, between 5000 and 7000 fans filled the Tamef stadium. I must thank the President of the SAMBO Federation of Tatarstan, Mr Egorov, for his contribution to the holding of these competitions.

I am pleased to note that SAMBO students from 24 countries came away with medals. During the University Games, a meeting was held with FISU President Mr Claude-Louis Gallien, which outlined the main steps to promote SAMBO to the programme of world champions among students. Under that programme, a world SAMBO Cup among students sponsored by FISU will be held in Limassol (Republic of Cyprus) in 2014 and the first FISU World SAMBO Championship among students will be held in Bulgaria in 2016.

President of the SAMBO Federation of Cyprus Marius Andreu and President of the Bulgarian SAMBO Federation Rumen Stoilov have some serious work to do in organising these events,
which, I hope, will provide the arguments for FISU on the issue of including SAMBO in the University Games' main programme.

In May 2013, a FIAs delegation took part in the SportAccord Convention, which also featured an exhibition and elected a new SportAccord President. As you know, the new President is the President of the International Judo Federation, Marius Vizer. Mr Vizer is an ambitious and experienced man who has covered the path from coach and President of the National Judo Federation to President of the International Federation. The programme he presented when elected President of SportAccord inspires us to scale new heights in the future. We certainly associate our future projects with his name. Present at the congress today is Mr Sergei Soloveichik, Chairman of SportAccord at the World Martial Arts Games-2013. Fifteen world federations in various martial arts will take part in the Second World Martial Arts Games of SportAccord here in St Petersburg.

This grand event is only ten days away. SAMBO opens the games at the new Spartacus sports arena. We are sure that it will be a spectacular event.

During the SportAccord Convention in St Petersburg, a meeting was held with the International World Games Association under its President Ron Freuhlitch and a package of corresponding FIAS documents was prepared for the IWGA. As a consequence, in August this year, SAMBO made its debut as a presentation sport at the World Games in Cali (Columbia). Demonstration performances, master classes and a team SAMBO tournament in which Russian, Columbian and Venezuelan athletes took part attracted great interest among the officials of the International World Games Association, the media and fans. I would like to thank the Secretary-General of the Pan-American SAMBO Federation, Omar Lopcro, whose country hosted the tournament, for the high standard at which these competitions were prepared and held. The International Military Sports Council (CISM) is one of the biggest interdisciplinary organisations in the world. It organises various sports events for the armed forces of its 133 member countries. The FIAS is seeking to have SAMBO included in the programme of Military Games.

Similar work is under way to get SAMBO included in the programme of world games among policemen and firemen. In September this year, for instance, our athletes Alexander Perepelyuk and Ivan Morozov held seminars and master classes for policemen and FRI members in the USA. The interest displayed by the members of military structures in various countries gives us hope that one of our mottos (SAMBO for members of military and security structures) will be put into practice in the near future.

The FIAS is cooperating closely with the Asian Olympic Council (AOC). FIAS officials held a number of meetings with Sheikh Ahmad al-Fahad al-Sabah, President of the Association of National Olympic Committees (ANOC), who is also the head of the Asian Olympic Council.
praised the activities of the FIAS, recognising the uniqueness of SAMBO and noting the interest this martial art is attracting in the modern sports world.

Agreements have been reached to include SAMBO in the programme for major Asian multi-sport competitions and on a presentation at the Indoor Games.

The FIAS is developing fruitful relations with the European Olympic Committee (EOC). EOC President and member of the IOC Executive Mr Patrick Hickey has confirmed inclusion of SAMBO in the programme for the first ever European Games, to be held in Baku (Azerbaijan) in 2015.

Negotiations are under way on including SAMBO in the Pan-American and All-Africa Games.

Admission of SAMBO to the Programme of International Multi-sport Events should give an additional impetus to promoting and developing our sport in the world.

In 2012, the FIAS initiated establishment of a British Commonwealth SAMBO Association which is headed by Simon Reading, a member of the House of Lords of Great Britain. He contributes personally to active development of SAMBO in the Commonwealth countries.

Under the leadership of President of the African SAMBO Federation Mr Dalil SKALLI, in spite of the difficult economic situation in the region, SAMBO is actively developing on that continent. African SAMBO athletes are constant participants in world championships. Beginning from this year one of the stages of the world SAMBO Cup, Africa Open, will be held in Casablanca (Morocco) every year.

FIAS sports calendar.

The FIAS sports calendar is being fulfilled faultlessly, with world championships in all age groups being held. According to the statistics for the last 4 years, the 2012 World Championship in Minsk gathered a record number of competitors (400). It also set a record in terms of the number of countries represented (55). The FIAS is rendering assistance in terms of organisation and financing and in the holding of continental championships. Continental SAMBO championships this year were well organised and made history in terms of the number of participating countries and the geography of the teams. Asia accounted for 13 countries, followed by Africa and 15 participating countries representing Pan-American SAMBO determined the strongest among the 25 SAMBO powers. The leader is Europe, whose championship held in Italy gathered athletes from 29 European countries.

Educational aspects of FIAS activities.

This is our future, our contribution to SAMBO as a sport that needs to be popularised and introduced into our lives. In accordance with the educational programme of the Sports and Technical Department, FIAS specialists are holding numerous study seminars and SAMBO presentations.
Support of national federations:

The FIAS is implementing a programme for assisting national federations. The programme involves providing free mats and sports kit for SAMBO classes in accordance with needs and the number of registered athletes.

Since December 2012, 1800 sets of SAMBO kits, about 100 sets of umpire kits and more than 50 SAMBO mats have been provided for the national federations.

In addition, regular financial support is rendered to continental championships, tournaments, world championships and other events on the FIAS calendar. The FIAS also funds the purchase of tickets, accommodation and meals for judges, coaches, athletes and representatives of National SAMBO Federations.

Coverage of SAMBO events by world and Russian media has improved significantly. Since 2011, the FIAS has been cooperating actively with the International Association of Sports Press (AIPS), which is helping promote SAMBO in the world of sports journalism today. The renovated official FIAS Internet site presents SAMBO and FIAS news in 4 languages: Russian, English, French, and Spanish. At present, all the main international and continental SAMBO championships, as well as SAMBO world cups, are broadcast live on the FIAS website. At all the key events of the sports calendar, the FIAS organises international television broadcasting of the events. For two years, the European Broadcasting Union has been beaming the programmes of SAMBO competitions to the countries of the world. The FIAS has significantly increased its presence on the social networks: it is currently represented on 4 service social networks (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Vkontakte) and has its own YouTube channel. The number of subscribers to the FIAS on the social network is constantly growing, thus increasing the audience of Internet users who get accurate and prompt information about the activities of the FIAS and development of SAMBO on line.

In 2013, the FIAS launched a television project, “Official FIAS TV Journal”, which covers key events in the SAMBO world, the activities of national SAMBO federations and the FIAS.

The FIAS is actively promoting in the world such projects as “How to Fall” and “A Safe Living Package”. Fyodor Yemelyanenko, a noted SAMBO athlete and a SAMBO face, is a member of the “Champions for Peace” Club run by the Peace and Sport Organisation. The FIAS also takes an active part in the annual “Friendship Games” held under World and Sport auspices. We have started building an international SAMBO development centre; the project and cost documentation has been prepared. I am sure that the ground-breaking ceremony for the future centre in the year of SAMBO’s 75th anniversary will be a long-awaited gift for all followers of our favourite sport in the world.
All the SAMBO events in 2013 are dedicated to the 75th jubilee of SAMBO. An official logo: “75 years of SAMBO” and proprietary stylistics for all the jubilee events have been developed. Russia will issue a “75 years of SAMBO” stamp and a stamped envelope. The ceremony of the memorial cancellation of the stamp will be timed for the World SAMBO Championship and will be held in St Petersburg in November. The Central Bank of Russia is planning to issue memorial gold and silver coins devoted to the jubilee.

The FIAS is planning to organise a “75 Years of SAMBO” photo exhibition. As part of the world championship (November, St Petersburg, Russia), jubilee celebrations will be organised, with the Presidents of the national SAMBO federations, honorary guests, SAMBO veterans, heads of sports Federations and Associations, sponsors and media representatives to be invited.

All the National SAMBO Federations that are FIAS members have taken an active part in the preparation and holding of the 75th SAMBO anniversary. In the majority of countries where SAMBO is practised, cultural and sporting events to mark the SAMBO jubilee have been organised in 2013.

I am pleased to remind you that Vladimir Putin, President of the Russian Federation and SAMBO Master of Sport, met with FIAS activists in March this year.

During that meeting, a number of practical issues were decided, including the key issue of building an International SAMBO Centre, which I referred to earlier. In conclusion of the meeting, Vladimir Putin said: “I hope that, someday, SAMBO will become an Olympic sport. That would be fair and justified…” Unfortunately, some self-styled “SAMBO officials” have begun pursuing a destructive policy within the Federation, thereby tarnishing SAMBO’s image in the world. They have shown no intention to sit down at the negotiating table and settle all the differences within the organisation.

The saying “Do not wash your dirty linen in public” is not adhered to in this case; these types unabashedly offer the public distorted information, faking documents and placing calls with all the Russian and international organisations. I am sure that, in the year of the 75th anniversary and that is a long time even by the measure of a person’s life – we should overcome our personal ambitions, rethink our past and move forward with confidence. I have the strength, I know what is to be done and most important, I have a team of like-thinking people -- and that is all of you.

With this team, Olympic heights can be reached. Thank you for your attention.

**Roberto Ferraris:** There is a suggestion to go straight to the report on financial issues by Senior Vice-President of the International SAMBO Federation (FIAS) Andrei Klyamko. Then you may put questions to the speakers, if any. Any objections? Adopted.

I give the floor to Andrei Klyamko, Senior Vice-President of the International SAMBO Federation (FIAS), who will present a report on financial matters.
Andrei Klyamko: Esteemed Colleagues, between November 2012 and 30 September this year, the funding of the activities of the International SAMBO Federation amounted to 3.400 million USD. As part of its core activities, the International SAMBO Federation spent 3.200 million USD, including:

- the remuneration fund and payments under contracts amounting to 470,000 USD;
- office rent of 380,000 USD;
- administrative costs of 95,000 USD;
- per diem and hospitality expenses amounting to 204,000 USD.

The total spending on organizing and holding events was 2,015 million USD, including:

- about 600,000 USD spent on sports equipment, of which 460,000 USD was spent to buy and deliver SAMBO mats for the national SAMBO Federation, with a total of 52 SAMBO mats acquired during this period.

Also, to provide the National Federation with sports kit, more than 1800 SAMBO kits, as well as 100 outfits for judges, to the tune of 140,000 USD were purchased.

- Production of souvenirs cost 165,000 USD;
- Production of films and video clips cost 50,000 USD;
- Support for organization and holding of continental and international competitions held by the national SAMBO federations cost 1.2 million USD.

Under contracts with the international sports organisations, such as SportAccord and WADA, 45,000 USD was spent.

The planned budget for 2014:

Revenues, including dues, donations and sponsorship: 6 million USD. The projected expenditure for 2014 is also 6 million USD.

Roberto Ferraris: Let us now pass on to the discussion of the reports. Who would like to speak?

Contributions by: R. Stoilov (Bulgaria), V. Yaprintsev (Belarus), D. Scali (Morocco), Chairman for Physical Culture and Sports at the St Petersburg Administration Yu. Avdeyev, Deputy Executive Director of the Russian Olympic Committee A. Selivanov, Chairman of the SportAccord World Martial Arts Games S. Soloveichik.

Roberto Ferraris: I propose to approve the reports by President of the International SAMBO Federation (FIAS) Vasily Shestakov and Senior Vice-President of the International SAMBO Federation (FIAS) Andrei Klyamko and appraise the work of International SAMBO Federation (FIAS) as satisfactory.
Voting: 63 for, 0 against, 2 abstained. Adopted by a majority vote.

Roberto Ferraris: Our next item is Approval of the Minutes of the previous FIAS Congress held on 7 November, 2012 in Minsk (Belarus). I propose to approve the Minutes of the FIAS Congress (Minsk, Belarus) of 7 November, 2012.

Voting: 58 for, 0 against, 7 abstained. Passed by a majority vote.

Roberto Ferraris: The meeting of the FIAS Executive Committee held on 22 March 2013 decided to suspend former members of the FIAS Executive Committee: Secretary-General Nikolai Lents, Vice-Presidents David Rudman, Mikhail Schultz and Fazilitdin Pulatov. I ask for your approval of the decision of the FIAS Executive Committee of 22 March 2013.

Voting: 61 for, 1 against, 3 abstained. Adopted by a majority vote.

Roberto Ferraris: Our next item is election of the FIAS President. The Executive Committee of FIAS has received a proposal from 46 national SAMBO federations nominating Vasily Shestakov for the post of President of the International SAMBO Federation. The Executive Committee of the FIAS proposes Vasily Shestakov as candidate for the post of President of the International SAMBO Federation. Are there any other nominations?

No other proposals were put forward.

Roberto Ferraris: We have to decide on the voting procedure to elect the FIAS President, whether it will be by secret ballot or by show of hand.

Whoever is in favour of electing the President of the FIAS by show of hand, please indicate so.

Voting: 61 for, 4 against, 0 abstained. Passed by a majority vote.

Roberto Ferraris: Who is in favour of electing Vasily Borisovich Shestakov as President of the International SAMBO Federation (the FIAS) for a period of four years? Please vote.

Voting: 65 for, 0 against, 0 abstained. Passed unanimously.

Vasily Shestakov: Thank you for your confidence in me and, of course, I expect all possible help from you in developing SAMBO.

Roberto Ferraris: Under the FIAS Charter, the numerical strength of the Executive Committee is decided by the Congress. During the reporting period, the Executive Committee consisted of 17 persons. There is a suggestion to retain this number of Executive Committee members.

M. Clark (UK) asked a question for clarification.

Roberto Ferraris: Who is in favour of having the FIAS Executive Committee consist of 17 persons? Please vote.

Voting: 62 for, 3 against, 0 abstained. Adopted by a majority vote.

Roberto Ferraris: We now have to approve the membership of the Executive Committee. The national SAMBO federations have tabled the following proposals regarding the composition of
the FIAS Executive Committee, which are also recommended by the current FIAS Executive Committee:

1. Vice-President: Andrei Klyamko, Russia
2. Vice-President: Dalil Scali, Morocco
3. Vice-President: Sergei Yeliseyev, Russia
4. Vice-President: Alamzhon Mullayev, Uzbekistan
5. Vice-President: Cesar Orlando Chu Gomez, Panama
6. Vice-President: Rumen Stoilov, Bulgaria
7. Secretary-General: Roberto Ferraris, Italy
8. Member of the Executive: Vladimir Yaprintsev, Belarus
9. Member of the Executive: Mahmud Abdulloyev, Tajikistan
10. Member of the Executive: Moon Jeong Gim, Korea
11. Member of the Executive: Asai Nobuyuki, Japan
12. Member of the Executive: Cesar Ortega Yargaz, Venezuela
13. Member of the Executive: Merambi Iliadis, Greece
14. Member of the Executive: Viktor Savinov, Ukraine
15. Member of the Executive: Monica Antanaz, Seychelles
16. Member of the Executive: Svetlana Neubauer-Sokolik, Austria.

**Roberto Ferraris:** How shall we vote on the candidate members of the Executive Committee, personally or as a list? Who is in favour of electing the Executive Committee as a list? Please vote.

**Voting:** 39 for, 8 against, 8 abstained. Adopted by a majority vote.

**Roberto Ferraris:** Who is in favour of electing the following persons to the Executive Committee of the International SAMBO Federation (the FIAS) for four years?

1. Vice-President: Andrei Klyamko, Russia
2. Vice-President: Dalil Scali, Morocco
3. Vice-President: Sergei Yeliseyev, Russia
4. Vice-President: Alamzhon Mullayev, Uzbekistan
5. Vice-President: Cesar Orlando Chu Gomez, Panama
6. Vice-President: Rumen Stoilov, Bulgaria
7. Secretary-General: Roberto Ferraris, Italy
8. Member of the Executive: Vladimir Yaprintsev, Belarus
9. Member of the Executive: Mahmud Abdulloyev, Tajikistan
10. Member of the Executive: Moon Jeong Gim, Korea
11. Member of the Executive: Asai Nobuyuki, Japan
12. Member of the Executive: Cesar Ortega Vargaz, Venezuela
13. Member of the Executive: Merambi Iliadis, Greece
14. Member of the Executive: Viktor Savinov, Ukraine
15. Member of the Executive: Monica Antanaz, Seychelles
16. Member of the Executive: Svetlana Neubauer-Sokolik, Austria.

**Voting:** 61 for, 1 against, 3 abstained. Adopted by a majority vote.

**Roberto Ferraris:** The following proposals have come from the national SAMBO federations concerning the composition of the FIAS Compliance Committee, which have also been recommended by the Executive Committee of the FIAS,

1. Chairman of the Committee: Soso Liparteliani, Georgia;
2. Secretary of the Committee: Omar Lopera, Columbia;
3. Member of the Committee: Munkh-Ochir Enebish, Mongolia;

Who is in favour of electing to the Compliance Committee of the International SAMBO Federation (the FIAS) for four years:

1. Chairman of the Committee: Soso Liparteliani, Georgia;
2. Secretary of the Committee: Omar Lopera, Columbia;
3. Member of the Committee: Munkh-Ochir Enebish, Mongolia?

**Voting:** 58 for, 0 against, 7 abstained. Adopted by a majority vote.

**Roberto Ferraris:** I suggest we now take a 30-minute break.

A break is announced.

**Roberto Ferraris:** I give the floor to Artur Melikyan on the item “Amendments to the FIAS Charter”.

**Artur Melikyan:** The ad hoc commission to prepare amendments to the FIAS Charter on the basis of proposals from national SAMBO federations has drafted amendments to the FIAS Charter, which have been sent out to all the national SAMBO federations for consideration. Remarks have been made by the SAMBO federations of Great Britain, Mauritius, Morocco, France and other countries. The final draft of the amendments has been distributed to all the representatives of the national SAMBO federations present at the Congress. Clarification questions have been asked by Daciano Ojeda (Paraguay), Martin Clark (Great Britain) and Suresh Gopi (India).

**Roberto Ferraris:** I propose introducing amendments and addenda into the Charter of the International SAMBO Federation (the FIAS) in accordance with the draft distributed to you and adopting the new version of the Charter of the International SAMBO Federation (the FIAS). Who is in favour of introducing the amendments indicated?
Voting: 61 for, 0 against, 4 abstained. Adopted by a majority vote.

Roberto Ferraris: Sergei Tabakov now has the floor on the item “FIAS Special Programmes”.

Sergei Tabakov: The President of the FIAS mentioned in his report the programmes we are to launch in accordance with the recommendations of the International Olympic Committee. These have to do, among other things, with creating a Commission of Athletes and approving an FIAS Code of Ethics. The handouts you have received contain the draft documents on the FIAS Commission of Athletes and the FIAS Code of Ethics.

Roberto Ferraris: I propose approving the Code of Ethics of the International SAMBO Federation (the FIAS).

Voting: 63 for, 0 against, 2 abstained. Adopted by a majority vote.

Sergei Tabakov: Please address your proposals for the FIAS Commission of Athletes to the FIAS office before the world SAMBO championship to be held in St Petersburg in November this year. Thank you.

Roberto Ferraris: I give the floor to Sergei Eliseyev, Vice-President of the FIAS, on the Calendar of the FIAS competitions in 2014-2017.

Sergei Yeliseyev: The FIAS Executive Committee has proposed the following Calendar of FIAS Competitions for 2014.

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The Calendar of the FIAS competitions for 2015-2017 will be finalised by the FIAS Executive Committee and approved at its session during the World SAMBO Championship in St Petersburg.

Roberto Ferraris: I propose approving the FIAS Calendar for 2014.

Voting: 65 for, 0 against, 0 abstained. Adopted unanimously.

Roberto Ferraris: Artur Melikyan will have the floor on the issues of the SAMBO Worldwide Development Association, confirming the Main Financial Partner of the FIAS and appointment of auditors.

Artur Melikyan: As you know, because of the recent developments at the FIAS connected with the actions of the persons suspended on 22 March 2013, the FIAS has had no opportunity to conduct financial operations. The SAMBO Worldwide Development Association, registered in Luxembourg, came to the rescue. That organisation ensured compliance by the FIAS with all its obligations to partners and national SAMBO federations. International practice shows that many Federations have a financial partner that fund the activities and implementation of the Federation’s programmes. The proposal now is to appoint the SAMBO Worldwide Development Association as the chief financial partner of the FIAS.

Also, in accordance with the FIAS Charter, it is necessary to appoint an FIAS auditor. Previously, the auditor of the FIAS was the company FIREX AUDIT & CONSULTING SA.
That company has conducted an audit and the results have been sent to the national SAMBO federations. The audit report has also been published in the Congress Journal, which all the national SAMBO federations have received in one of the four official languages of the FIAS. We recommend that the Congress retain the company FIREX AUDIT & CONSULTING SA as the official auditor of the FIAS.

Roberto Ferrarisi: I propose appointing the SAMBO Worldwide Development Association as the chief financial partner of the FIAS.

Voting: 65 for, 0 against, 0 abstained. Adopted unanimously.

Roberto Ferrarisi: I propose appointing the company FIREX AUDIT & CONSULTING SA as the auditor of the FIAS.

Voting: 65 for, 0 against 0 abstained. Adopted unanimously.

Roberto Ferrarisi: I propose that the next Congress of the International SAMBO Federation (the FIAS) be held in November 2014 during the World SAMBO Championship in Japan.

Voting: 65 for, 0 against, 0 abstained. Passed unanimously.

Roberto Ferrarisi: The next item is “Any Other Business”.

Contribution by Lord Simon Reading, President of the British Commonwealth SAMBO Association.

Roberto Ferrarisi: As recommended by the FIAS Executive Committee, I propose admitting, as an associated FIAS member, the British Commonwealth Association, which is rendering practical assistance in promoting SAMBO in the 54 British Commonwealth countries.

Voting: 65 for, 0 against, 0 abstained. Adopted unanimously.

Roberto Ferrarisi: This brings us to the end of the agenda of the Extraordinary Congress of the International SAMBO Federation (the FIAS). I declare the Congress closed. Thank you for your work.

Secretary-General, International SAMBO (FIAS) Roberto Ferrarisi

President, International SAMBO Federation (FIAS) Vasily Shestakov