MINUTES
of the XXVIII Congress
of
The International SAMBO Federation (FIAS)
Hotel Ramada, Sofia, Bulgaria on 10th November 2016

Present: Representatives of 77 National SAMBO Federations, as under:

72 FIAS Member National SAMBO Federations from:

Europe: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Finland, France, FYROM, Georgia, Germany, Great Britain, Greece, Hungary, Israel, Italy, Lithuania, Moldova, Netherlands, Poland, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Switzerland, Ukraine.


Africa: Algeria, Cameroon, Mauritius, Morocco, Niger, Seychelles, Tunisia.

Pan America: Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Trinidad and Tobago, USA, Venezuela.

5 FIAS Candidate Member and invited National SAMBO Federations from: Canada, Costa Rica, Macau SAR China, Philippines, Sri Lanka.

13 members of FIAS Executive Committee
Mr. Vasily Shestakov, Mr. Andrey Klyamko, Mr. Roberto Ferraris, Mr. Sergey Eliseev, Mr. Alamjon Mullaev, Mr. Dalil Essakali Sidi Mohammed, Mr. Cesar Chu Gomez, Mr. Roumen Stoilov, Mr. Arteaga Vargas Cesar, Mr. Nobuyuki Asai, Ms. Monique Athanase, Mr. Chong Keum Moon, Mr. Viktor Savinov.

I. Opening of the XXVII FIAS Congress

Speaker: Mr. V. Shestakov

Mr. V. Shestakov, President of FIAS welcomed the members present at the XXVIII Congress and handed over the floor to Mr. R. Ferraris, Secretary General of FIAS to proceed as per the proposed Congress Agenda.
II. Roll-call

Speaker: Mr. R. Ferraris

Mr. R. Ferraris informed the Congress that FIAS Executive Committee had elected a Congress Registration Commission, comprising of Mr. R. Ferraris of Italy as the Chairman of the Commission with Mr. S. Gopi of India and Mr. O. Lopera of Columbia as Registration Commission Members, empowered to monitor and record the mandated rights of members participating in the said XXVIII FIAS Congress.

Mr. R. Ferraris announced that the Registration Commission had diligently verified mandates presented and had duly registered all members eligible to participate in the XXVIII FIAS Congress. He detailed that participants were present from 77 National SAMBO Federations and from five continents, including:
- 72 representatives of Member National SAMBO Federations – who are full FIAS members, duly authorized to participate and vote in the Congress;
- 5 representatives of Candidate Member and invited National SAMBO Federations, duly authorized with the right to participate but without right to vote in Congress.

13 out of 16 Members of the FIAS Executive Committee were present at the Congress.

Based on the above, Mr. R. Ferraris declared that quorum for decision-making was adequate and that the XXVIII Congress of International SAMBO Federation was declared open.

III. Nomination of stewards and scrutineers

Speaker: Mr. R. Ferraris

Mr. Ferraris proposed a motion that a Ballot Scrutiny Commission be constituted to count and record the votes of the Congress Participants and informed members present that the FIAS Executive Committee had nominated Ms. Susan Cheah (Malaysia), Mr. Jean Claude Cerutti (France) and Mr. Mikhail Kozitsky (USA) for the said Ballot Scrutiny Commission and requested the members present to vote and ratify the said nomination.

Ballot: 71 members voted for the Motion, Nil Against, 1 Abstained.
Resolved that the Motion be adopted by absolute majority.
IV. Approval of the Minutes of the FIAS Congress 2015

Speaker: Mr. R. Ferraris

Mr. R. Ferraris proposed that the Minutes of FIAS XXVII Congress held at Casablanca (Morocco) on November, 12, 2015 shall be ratified and approved and requested the members present to vote and ratify and approve the said Minutes.

Ballot: 72 members voted for the Motion, Nil against, Nil abstained. Resolved that the Motion be adopted unanimously.

V. Adoption of the XXVIII FIAS Congress Agenda

Mr. R. Ferraris proposed the motion that the members present adopt the Agenda for the XXVIII Congress of the International SAMBO Federation, as proposed by the FIAS Executive Committee:

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Ballot: 70 Members Voted for the Motion, Nil against, 2 abstained Resolved that the Motion be adopted by absolute majority.
Mr. R. Ferraris then proposed that the members vote to approve the Regulations for Conducting the Congress: Time limit of 15 minutes for the reports on the Agenda, time limit of up to 3 minutes for making representations.

Ballot: 72 members voted for the Motion, Nil against, Nil abstained. Resolved that the Motion be adopted unanimously.

VI. FIAS membership

Speaker: Mr. S. Gopi

Mr. Suresh Gopi informed the Congress that in his capacity as the Chairman of the FIAS Legal Commission, he proposed to submit the following membership approvals to the FIAS Congress, after careful due diligence and legal verification of all membership documents as submitted by the parties concerned:

Approval for grant of Full FIAS Membership is proposed as under to:
1. SAMBO Federation of Sri Lanka headed by its President Mr. Kithsiri De Zoysa
2. All Indonesia SAMBO Federation [PP PERSAMBI] headed by its President Senator Jazil.
3. United Canadian SAMBO Federation headed by its President Mr. Aaron Davidson.
4. Philipinas SAMBO Federation Inc. headed by its President Mr. Pedro Quitaine.

Approval for grant FIAS Candidate Membership to:
   1. Associacion de SAMBO Costa Rica presided by Mr. Guillermo Sanchez Castelliano
   2. Macau SAMBO Association presided by Mr. Alex Jorge.

Accordingly, Mr. R. Ferraris proposed the motion that the Congress approve:

- the inclusion of the following National SAMBO Federations as FULL Members of FIAS
  1. SAMBO Federation of Sri Lanka headed by its President Mr. Kithsiri De Zoysa
  2. All Indonesia SAMBO Federation [PP PERSAMBI] headed by its President Senator Jazil.
  3. United Canadian SAMBO Federation headed by its President Mr. Aaron Davidson.
  4. Philipinas SAMBO Federation Inc. headed by its President Mr. Pedro Quitaine.

- grant Provisional Candidate Membership to:
  1. Associacion de SAMBO Costa Rica presided by Mr. Guillermo Sanchez Castelliano
2. Macau SAMBO Association presided by Mr. Alex Jorge.

Ballot: 71 Members Voted for the Motion, Nil against, 3 abstained
Resolved that the Motion be adopted by absolute majority.

VII. FIAS President’s report

Speaker: Mr. V. Shestakov

Mr. V. Shestakov, FIAS President, spoke in length informing the members present of various aspects of SAMBO development on a global level.

Mr. R. Ferraris proposed that the motion that the members present adopt the FIAS President’s report, he also expressed his appreciation to the President on the high achievements made by FIAS in this year.

Ballot: 74 Members Voted for the Motion, Nil against, Nil abstained
Resolved that the Motion be adopted unanimously.

VIII. Report by the FIAS Secretary General

Speaker: Mr. R. Ferraris

Mr. Ferraris, FIAS Secretary General, spoke in length informing the members present of preparing of on line registration database for all out future International competitions.

Mr. Ferraris reminded all FIAS members to ensure that payment in full of their Annual FIAS membership Fee of USD 300/ year is paid in full along with all arrears and stressed on that failure to pay FIAS Membership in 2017 will attract severe sanctions.

Mr. Ferraris reminded that it is mandatory to conduct Annual National SAMBO Championships in their Nations and requested to forwards details and pictures of such National Championship and SAMBO events to the FIAS headquarters so as to upload the same on FIAS Website and Social Media.
IX. Report of the FIAS Commissions

Speaker: Mr. M. Buchel

Mr. Buchel made a detailed report of FIAS Commissions work during 2016.

Mr. R. Ferraris proposed the motion that the members vote to adopt the report of the FIAS Commissions.

Ballot: 74 Members Voted for the Motion, Nil against, Nil abstained.
Resolved that the Motion be adopted unanimously.

X. Report by FIAS Finance Commission

Speaker: Mr. A. Klyamko

Mr. A. Klyamko gave a detailed report on the financial status of FIAS and then Mr. Ferraris proposed the motion that the Members present vote to FIAS Balance Sheet for 2016, FIAS Auditors Report, Provisional FIAS budget for 2017.

Ballot: 71 Members Voted for the Motion, Nil against, 3 abstained
Resolved that the Motion be adopted by absolute majority.

XI. Report by FIAS Official Lawyer

Speaker: Mr. P.-O. Wellauer

Mr. P.-O. Wellauer gave a detailed report on the legal status of FIAS including the situation with Court Cases.

XII. Amendments to the FIAS Statutes

Speaker: Mr. S. Gopi

Mr. S. Gopi informed the Congress about amendments to FIAS Statute proposed by FIAS Executive Committee.

Mr. R. Ferraris proposed the motion that the members vote to ratify and adopt the amended FIAS Statute.

Ballot: 72 Members Voted for the Motion, Nil against, 2 abstained
Resolved that the Motion be adopted by absolute majority.
XIII. Change of FIAS Auditor to PriceWaterHouseCoopers PWC

Speaker: Mr. R. Ferraris

Mr. Ferraris informed that in order to attain more transparency and confirm best standards of global accounting FIAS Executive Committee proposes the appointment one of the world’s leading audit firm PWC as FIAS auditor.

Mr. R. Ferraris proposed the motion that the members vote to approve PWC as FIAS Auditor.

Ballot: 72 Members Voted for the Motion, Nil against, 2 abstained
Resolved that the Motion be adopted by absolute majority.

XIV. FIAS Calendar of Events 2017

Speaker: Mr. S. Eliseev

Mr. Ferraris announced that the above report was just for information and asked the Members to take the report into consideration.

XV. Issues raised by national sambo federations

Speaker: Mr. R. Ferraris

Mr. R. Ferraris announced the proposals from French Committee of SAMBO.

Mr. R. Ferraris proposed to take announced proposals into consideration.

XVI. Issues raised by the FIAS Executive Committee

Speaker: Mr. R. Ferraris

Mr. Ferraris proposed the adoption of the new FIAS Ethics Code.

Ballot: 70 Members Voted for the Motion, Nil against, 4 abstained
Resolved that the Motion be adopted by absolute majority.
XVII. Date and place of the 2017 FIAS Congress

Speaker: Mr. R. Ferraris

Mr. R. Ferraris proposed a motion that the Members present vote to hold the next FIAS Congress in November 2017 in the city of Sochi (Russia) one day prior to the start of the World SAMBO Championship 2017

Ballot: 69 Members Voted for the Motion, 1 against, 4 abstained
Resolved that the Motion be adopted by absolute majority.

XVIII. Any Other Business

Speakers: Mr. Shestakov, Mr. R. Ferraris, Mr. Eliseev

Questions from FIAS Congress delegates.

XIX. Closure of FIAS Congress

Vote of thanks was given and the XXVIII FIAS Congress was declared as closed.

President
International SAMBO Federation (FIAS):
V. Shestakov

Secretary General
International SAMBO Federation (FIAS):
R. Ferraris