

# 41st Inter-Agency Games

# 23-26 April 2014 – Hempstead, Long Island, NY, USA

# **Record of Control Commission (CC) Decisions**

# Election of the Chairperson and Vice-Chair of the Control Commission (CC) of the $41^{\rm st}$ IAG

Cristina Silva, Chair of the UNNY Organizing Committee, was elected Chairperson by acclamation. The CC decided not to appoint a member of the Secretariat as Vice-Chair. (1st CC meeting, 23 April, 3 pm)

#### Approval of the agenda

The CC agreed to the proposed agenda subject to dealing with proposed new items on the selection of duty stations and improvements in the Games under the existing agenda items 14 and 16. The CC decided on the time of its subsequent meetings to be held on 24, 25 and 26 April. (1st CC meeting, 23 April, 3 pm; 3<sup>rd</sup> CC meeting, 24 April, 5 pm)

## Report on the list of participants by the UNNY Organizing Committee and Secretariat

In the absence of final, certified participants' lists from some organizations, the CC decided to authorise the beginning of the disciplines on 24 April, but those organizations that did not present certified lists by the next CC meeting would risk that their participants would be declared ineligible and the results of their individual participants or teams would be forfeited. (1st CC meeting, 23 April, 3 pm)

# CC members designated to represent it at the Captains meetings

The CC agreed on the following representatives:

**Athletics:** Arnaud Devilliers (WHO)

**Badminton**: Pilar Chiang (UNESCO) and Benito Jimeno (UNOG)

Basketball: Bill Ratteree (ILO) Chess: Sudhir Singh (ICC) Cricket: Brian Seales (UNNY) Darts: Silvana Scalzo (IFAD)

Football (Soccer): Jalil Housni (WMO)

Golf: Francis Gichomo (UNON)

**Petanque**: Steven Eales (UNIDO)

**Squash**: no formal competition, friendly competition among 6 participants

Swimming: Anja Sedic (UNIDO)

**Table Tennis**: Marielle Winsford-Browne (IAEA)

**Tennis**: Natalia Deblue (WIPO) and Leroy Brown (ITU) **Volleyball**: Eva de Carvalho (WHO, Mozambique)

(1st CC meeting, 23 April, 3 pm)

## Approval of the minutes of the 2013 IAG in Marina D'Or

The CC approved the minutes of the 2013 IAG as amended and recorded in the Minutes of the present sessions. (4th CC meeting, 25 April, 5.30 pm)

#### **Election of the Sub-Committee on Appeals**

The CC appointed Silvana Scalzo (Rome), Anja Sedic (Vienna) and Jalil Housni (Geneva) to the Sub-Committee on Appeals. (1st CC meeting, 23 April, 3 pm)

#### **Election of the Sub-Committee on Rules of Procedures**

The CC appointed Daniel Bridi (Vienna), Marielle Winsford-Browne (Vienna, as part of her learning more about the work of the CC); Leroy Brown (Geneva) and Silvana Scalzo (Rome) to the Sub-Committee on the Rules of Procedures. (1st CC meeting, 23 April, 3 pm)

# Participation of other organizations/individuals in the 41st IAG

The CC decided not to agree to a UNIDO request to allow eligibility of an individual who was present at the Games and originally intended to participate but had become a consultant when sponsorship of a project collapsed, given the definition of those eligible in the General Rules and the need to avoid creating a special exception. (1st CC meeting, 23 April, 3 pm)

## Control of identity for all discipline participants

The CC decided that discipline coordinators would be responsible for controlling the identity of all discipline participants, using official UN badges or if not available, a suitable piece of identity with photo. (2<sup>nd</sup> CC meeting, 23 April, 6 pm)

## Review of the 2013 IAG Financial Statement and Audit Report

The CC agreed to amend the agenda item and following discussion accepted the 2013 unaudited Financial Statement transmitted by the Chair of the 2013 Organizing Committee as presented by the Secretariat. (3rd CC meeting, 24 April, 5 pm)

# **Report of the IAG Secretariat**

CC members requested that the Secretariat look into unclear categories and as appropriate make changes in the registration database for future IAGs. (3rd CC meeting, 24 April, 5 pm)

## **Report of the IAG Secretariat Treasurer**

The CC agreed to appoint members from Rome (Silvana Scalzo), Paris (Pilar Chiang) and Vienna (Anja Sedic) to audit the Financial Statement.

The CC unanimously approved the resolution proposed by the IAG Secretariat to open a bank account with the UNFCU.

The CC approved a contribution fee of 10 USD for the 2014 Games and decided that it would make a decision at the 2015 IAG concerning continuation of the fee, its amount and the currency if maintained.

The CC then accepted the Treasurer's Report, including the budget proposed for 2014 with amendments to double the amount for this secretariat assistance to 2015 hosts and reduce the savings line in order to maintain the same overall figure proposed by the Treasurer.

(3rd CC meeting, 24 April, 5 pm)

## Questions related to participants and discipline issues

The CC approved the compromise in golf worked out in the spirit of the Games between the captains and the CC representative to the discipline for two golf participants from Liberia to continue as official participants following presentation of handicap certificates and for the third Liberia golf participant to provide the certificate after the Games but to finish playing the competition from scratch; the decision reversed the decision taken at its 2<sup>nd</sup> Session.

The CC approved a proposal for the Secretariat Chair to meet with captains of the women's volleyball teams to work out a compromise concerning requests by some female participants not attached to teams to join other teams; the CC also approved a request by one participant registered as a female volleyball player to change to darts.

(3rd CC meeting, 24 April, 5 pm)

## **Cycle of the Games**

2015

Following the IFAD confirmation that Rome would not be able to organize the 2015 Games, the CC agreed that the previous decisions for inviting bids (to be made by the Secretariat) and informing the CC for a decision on the 2015 Games should be followed, subject to the following amendments proposed by CC members during the discussion:

- the Secretariat should send out the bids by the first week of June
- the bids may propose a date between June and Oct 2015 as the process was a case of "force majeure", therefore General Rule 2 of the Games, which called for the IAG to be organized preferably between April and May of each year, should be relaxed
- the deadline for receipt of the bids should be fixed for the end of June 2014
- the Secretariat would then compile the bids and make recommendations on the most appropriate bid to be decided on by the CC at the latest by the first week of July 2014.

#### 2016

The CC agreed that the Chair of the Secretariat would request written confirmation from UNON that it proposed to hold the 2016 Games.

(4<sup>th</sup> CC meeting, 25 April, 5.30 pm)

## **Organization of future Games**

The CC requested the Secretariat to prepare a list of instructions or guidelines on how to organize the IAG to help organizations which had little or no experience. (4<sup>th</sup> CC meeting, 25 April, 5.30 pm)

# **Report of the Sub-Committee for Appeals**

The CC decided that since 1 badminton player who had registered for cricket but played a badminton match for the eventual 2<sup>nd</sup> place team, plus 1 player who played 3 games instead of a maximum of 2 required by the Rules, the UNAMID team in question would forfeit one encounter, 3 points less would be accorded to UNAMID and the overall results would be changed accordingly. (5<sup>th</sup> CC meeting, 26 April, 2 pm)

# Report of the Sub-Committee on Rules of Procedure

The CC agreed that the written report of the Sub-Committee would be distributed to CC members after the Games. (5<sup>th</sup> CC meeting, 26 April, 2 pm)

## Any other business, followed by a Group photo

The CC decided that the flag for the Games would be passed to the Secretariat for holding until a host organization is designated for the 2015 Games. (5<sup>th</sup> CC meeting, 26 April, 2 pm)