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# Minutes of the 1st meeting of the Control Commission, Wednesday, 13 April 2011

Present: CTBTO: Ms. Glenda Wolstenholme

Mr. Helmuth Breitenfellner

DPKO: Mr. Jean-Marc Lafrenière

IAEA: Mr. Peter Patak

Mr. John Meehan

ICC: Ms. Karin Oomen
IFAD: Ms. Viviane Di Majo
OSCE: Mr. Nizar Zaher
UNHQNY: Ms. Cristina Silva

UNOV/UNODC: Mr. Daniel Bridi (Chair 2009 IAGCC)

UNIDO: Ms. Marie-Odile Dorer (Chair 2011 IAGOC, el. Chair 2011 CC)

WIPO: Ms. Natalia Deblue

# Agenda Item 1. Opening of the meeting by the Chair of the Control Commission of the 37th UNIAG

The Chair of the 2009 CC, Mr. Bridi, UNOV/UNODC, opened the meeting and asked whether there were any outstanding issues from 2009 to be discussed on an urgent basis. Nothing was raised and he handed over the floor to the chairperson of the present 38<sup>th</sup> UNIAGOC from UNIDO.

# Agenda Item 2. Welcome by the Chair of the UNIAG Organizing Committee - information about Traunsee

Ms. Dorer, UNIDO, explained the local arrangements including bus shuttle schedule, various information received by the tourism office on side events and guided tours for persons not participating in the games. The booklet with all rules and information will be distributed to all participants at their hotels.









A quick introduction round of the participants was made for those who did not know each other.

Agenda Item 3. Election of the Chair (from the Host Organization) and Vice-Chair (from the next IAG Host) of the CC

Ms. Dorer, UNIDO, was elected Chair of the 2011 IAGCC. The Vice Chair to be elected was to be from the next host organization. The representative had not yet arrived and it was agreed to postpone this item to the next meeting.

#### Agenda Item 4. Adoption of the Agenda

Ms. Oomen, ICC, requested one addition to the agenda, i.e. ICC participation to the Games. All agreed.

Agenda Item 5. Establish the Organizers of the 2012-2013 Games and resolve any issues regarding the organizations' commitments

<u>2011:</u> Mr. Bridi, UNOV/UNODC, stressed the importance for coordinators to pass on all information to participants. Ms. Dorer, UNIDO, also mentioned the visa problems encountered by participants. DPKO/UNTSO mission problems were raised. Information received from DPKO/UNTSO central office was inconsistent and confusing due to the fact that the actual duty stations of the participants are far away. **A solution had to be found for better communication lines.** 

Asked whether the UNLP could be used, Mr. Bridi, UNOV/UNODC, replied that the games were not considered an official mission therefore the LP could not be used. Special assistance given to this year's participants was described, the difficulties of obtaining Schengen visas, late applications, etc. The problem was not new.

Hotel accommodation and complaints were raised and discussed. This year there were numerous changes made at the last moment and sometimes unclear information had been provided in the registration database.

Mr. Lafrenière, DPKO/UNTSO, raised the difficulties they encountered upon arrival in Salzburg (no panel signs, indication on bus stops, lack of information, telephone nos., contacts on assistance available on the official website). Ms. Di Majo, IFAD, suggested instructing the information point at the Salzburg train station to place a sign at the info point referring to IAG. Ms. Oomen, ICC, mentioned that at Salzburg information was available. Ms. Dorer, UNIDO, took immediate action to have signs put up.









# Agenda Item 6. Message from FAO Staff-Coop

FAO had sent an email to the Chair requesting that the following message be read to the CC.

"The FAO Staff Coop would be most grateful if, at the first meeting of the Control Commission, you could officially inform all Agencies that the refunds for air travel expenses for the IAG 2010 have been completed, and we hope that we have been able to satisfy all the participants' requests from the FAO Staff Coop funds. Therefore, in order that the situation be put officially on record, would you please insert this message into the minutes of this meeting?"

Mr. Lafrenière, DPKO/UNTSO, stated that he would like to check before confirming.

Agenda Item 7. Approval of the minutes of the 37<sup>th</sup> UNIAG CC meetings

The minutes of the 37<sup>th</sup> IAG CC meeting were approved.

Mr. Bridi, UNOV/UNODC, encouraged all members to visit the website and look at all the minutes of meetings posted there. Items raised had to be reflected in the minutes otherwise no follow-up action could be taken.

Agenda Item 8. Outstanding issues from the 37<sup>th</sup> IAG minutes

This item was merged with agenda item 9.

Agenda Item 9. Election of the Sub-Committee on verification of participants

The question of establishing a verification sub-committee to check the official HR lists was discussed. At the games held in 2009 there had been some discrepancies and not all lists had been received. Mr. Meehan, IAEA, stressed the **importance of the verification process since it could result in disqualification** and if the verification process remained without consequences such a committee was not needed. Mr. Bridi, UNOV/UNODC, requested that the CC decides on how to deal with this issue in the future. Since it was his understanding that the CC had to decide on the participants each year. Ms. Di Majo, IFAD, also agreed to the importance of this decision and was supported by Ms. Silva, UNNY, among others. **CC members agreed that they had to be consistent in their decision on this matter.** 

It was further agreed not to establish a Verification Sub-Committee.









# Agenda Item 10. Election of the Sub-Committe on Appeals

The duties of the sub-committee on appeals were briefly explained as was the fact, that the sub-committee recommends a course of action to the CC. The CC therefore elected three members: Mr. Helmuth Breitenfellner (CTBTO), Ms. Karin Oomen (ICC) and Ms. Natalia Deblue (WIPO).

Agenda Item 11. Captains' meeting (distribution of CC members among the various disciplines and to attend the first day of play at each venue)

Mr. Meehan, IAEA, informed the members that at the captains' meetings following the CC session one member of CC per meeting should be present and report back to the CC afterwards on any problems raised. The member should also see that the captains verify the names of the team members. Furthermore one CC member per discipline should be appointed to visit the discipline site. The next step would then be to verify that the names and the persons are identical by checking each player's ID.

Ms. Silva, UNNY, expressed her surprise that CC members were also active players. It was her understanding that the members were not allowed to actively participate in the games. She was informed that it was allowed for a CC member to participate in the Games as long as the organization is represented by another person in the CC.

The assignment of CC members for checking the individual disciplines was done as follows:

Athletics – Ms. Karin Oomen, ICC

Badminton – Mr. Daniel Bridi, UNOV/UNODC

Basketball - Ms. Cristina Silva, UNNY

Chess – Ms. Odile Dorer, UNIDO, later replaced by Glenda Wolstenholme, CTBTO

Darts – Mr. John Meehan, IAEA

Football – Mr. Nizar Zaher, OSCE

Golf – Mr. Jean Marc Lafrenière, DPKO/UNTSO

Petangue – Ms. Glenda Wolstenholme, CTBTO

Table tennis – Mr. Helmuth Breitenfellner, CTBTO

Tennis - Mr. Peter Patak, IAEA

Volleyball – Ms. Viviane de Majo, IFAD

#### Agenda Item 12. ICC participation in the UNIAG

The CC proceeded to discuss this item in accordance with ICC's request. Mr. Meehan, IAEA, explained that following the games in 2009 the Secretariat had been instructed to establish rules regarding the participation of organizations. The matter was looked into with the following result:









the conditions for qualifying as a participating organization were 1) inclusion in the chart of UN organizations or 2) having a joint mission with the UN. ICC were neither included in the UN chart nor did they have a joint mission with the UN. Consequently he felt that they could not participate in the future.

Ms. Oomen, ICC, strongly felt that her organization was indeed affiliated with the UN and did have a mandate from the UN. Therefore ICC wanted to continue participation in the IAG. She further stated that she was surprised that this subject had to be re-opened after the lengthy discussion held in 2009 at the IAG in Bad Kleinkirchheim. Ms. Oomen, ICC was appealing the decision taken by the secretariat and had therefore requested to include this item in the agenda.

Mr. Meehan, IAEA, stated that the minutes in 2009 contained a decision for the secretariat to study the ICC case and provide a recommendation to the CC. The minutes had been accepted by all members of CC. The recommendation made after 2009 was the aforementioned. Other international organizations based in Vienna had approached the Secretariat for participation and had been refused (e.g.IIASA). An example of an organization which had participated and was later on excluded was ITLOS.

Ms. Oomen, ICC, asked for a definition of 'joint mission' and the answer given by Mr. Meehan, IAEA, was that it was defined by the line of command. Mr. Zaher, OSCE, stated that his organization – for example - had a joint mission with the UN in Kosovo.

The discussion stopped here because the members of the CC had to attend the captains' meetings.

Sometime later Mr. Meehan, IAEA, reported from the darts captains' meetings everything to be correct.

## Resumed session of the first meeting of the CC

Mr. Malick, UNESCO, had arrived in the meantime.

The session was resumed in the evening to deal with the request made by **volleyball that the** coordinator be allowed to actively participate in the games as they were short of one team player. The CC unanimously approved the request.

The CC further agreed to meet the next day at 4.30 p.m. Mr. Bridi, UNOV/UNODC suggested the following agenda for the next day's meeting: 1) election of the vice-chairman; 2) host for the next IAG; 3) resume discussion on the future participation of ICC.













# Minutes of the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the Control Commission - Thursday, 14 April 2011

Present: CTBTO: Ms. Glenda Wolstenholme

Mr. Helmuth Breitenfellner

DPKO/UNTSO: Mr. Jean-Marc Lafrenière

Mr. Louis Best

IAEA: Mr. Peter Patak
ICC: Ms. Karin Oomen
IFAD: Ms. Viviane Di Majo
ITU: Mr. Leroy Brown
UNHQNY: Ms. Cristina Silva
UNOV/UNODC: Mr. Daniel Bridi

Mr. Khalid Khan

UNIDO: Marie-Odile Dorer (Chair)

Mr. Steven Eales

UNESCO: Mr. Papa Gaye Malick (Vice-Chair)

WHO: Mr. Arnaud Devilliers
WIPO: Ms. Natalia Deblue
UNON: Ms. Rhoda Atana

Agenda Item 1. Adoption of the minutes of the meeting held on 13 March

Adoption of the minutes was postponed to the next meeting.

Agenda Item 2. Next IAG host and Agenda Item 3. Election of Vice-Chair

Mr. Malick, UNESCO, expressed his organization's willingness to host the next games provided approval is received from the executive head. The Chair suggested the election of Mr. Papa Gaye Malick, UNESCO, as Vice-Chair of the CC which was agreed by the other members of the CC.









# Agenda Item 4. Continuation of discussion of ICC participation

The Chair noted that Mr. Meehan, IAEA, had requested to be present when the issue of ICC was discussed and enquired whether the matter should be discussed at this point or postponed. The CC decided to postpone discussion until his arrival since there were other items on the agenda that could be dealt with.

# Agenda Item 5. Report on the captains' meetings

<u>Athletics:</u> Ms. Karin Oomen, ICC, reported that 3 players were absent, the names would be provided to the Chair. ITU inquired whether he could participate in the 10 k run on Saturday and was informed that only registered athletes were allowed to participate.

Badminton: Mr. Bridi, UNOV/UNODC, reported everything to be correct.

<u>Basketball:</u> Ms. Cristina Silva, UNNY, reported that no captains' meeting had been held and 4 people were missing, names to be provided to the Chair.

<u>Chess:</u> Ms. Wolstenholme, CTBTO, informed in her report of the captains' meeting that the chess players did not understand the reason why the chess rules had been changed without consultation since revised rules had been applied to the chess discipline from 2007 through 2009. The rules adopted for 2011 eliminated a Blitz tournament and there were no prices/medals for the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place. The coordinator requested that the CC reinstate the rules as they had been applied in 2007.

Mr. Bridi, UNOV/UNODC, explained that the present rules were the result of the CC minutes as recorded to date. The Blitz tournament was removed to avoid additional costs to the host. He further felt it to be unfair towards the other disciplines which did not have that many prizes. The chess captains could hold a Blitz tournament without prizes or provide them by themselves. It was furthermore up to the host organization to decide on the issue.

The CC noted that 1) only one captain had attended the meeting, 2) the request was not signed by all captains. The CC decided that the chess captains should compare existing rules and submit one consistent document with their proposed changes to the CC with all required signatures for their consideration and decision. Should the request be received on time and the CC approve it the new rules could be valid at the next games.

Chess further requested that the chess coordinator actively participate in the games as they were short of one player due to a last minute cancellation. This request was similar to the one received from volleyball and the agreement which had already been granted was confirmed by the CC.

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Verification of participants was still pending.

<u>Darts:</u> Mr. Meehan, IAEA, had reported on 13 April 2011.

<u>Football:</u> Mr. Zaher, OSCE, was not present at the meeting, postponed to next meeting.

Golf: Mr. Lafrenière, DPKO/UNTSO, reported everything to be correct.

<u>Petanque:</u> Ms. Glenda Wolstenholme, CTBTO, reported everything to be correct.

<u>Table tennis:</u> Mr. Helmuth Breitenfellner, CTBTO, reported that1 team and 1 player did not show up. 1 member was assigned to the tennis team by mistake.

Tennis: Mr. Patak, IAEA, reported everything to be correct.

<u>Volleyball:</u> Ms. Vivane di Majo, IFAD, confirmed identification of volleyball players and reported one person not showing up and one person being replaced by someone else.

# Agenda Item 4. Continuation of discussion of ICC participation

Noting the absence of Mr. Meehan, IAEA, at 5.15 p.m., the Chair enquired whether discussion on the future participation of ICC in the games should be resumed. **The Commission decided to finalize this issue.** 

The Chair had been provided with a short article found in Wikipedia by ITU which she read out.

"The UN Security Council has referred the situation in Darfur to the ICC. Unlike the International Court of Justice, the ICC is legally and functionally independent from the United Nations. However, the Rome Statute grants certain powers to the United Nations Security Council. Article 13 allows the Security Council to refer to the court situations that would not otherwise fall under the court's jurisdiction (as it did in relation to the situation in Darfur, which the court could not otherwise have prosecuted as Sudan is not a state party). Article 16 allows the Security Council to require the court to defer from investigating a case for a period of 12 months. Such a deferral may be renewed indefinitely by the Security Council.

The court cooperates with the UN in many different areas, including the exchange of information and logistical support. The court reports to the UN each year on its activities, and some meetings of the Assembly of States Parties are held at UN facilities. The relationship between the court and the UN is governed by a "Relationship Agreement between the International Criminal Court and the United Nations." "

Mr. Bridi, UNOV/UNODC, suggested to re-open the discussion on the issue noting that the definition of 'joint mission' led to constant discussions. **All CC members present felt that ICC had**Hosted by the Vienna-based Organizations









indeed very close relations to the UN (expressed by 1) its ties to the UN Security Council, 2) its participation in the pension fund, 3) its staff members holding UNLPs). In addition ICC had already participated in the games four times.

The above initiated a discussion on how to increase participation in the games, how to deal with the visa issues, the location of the games, security clearances, the necessity of a strong and dedicated organizing committee, the importance of reporting to ensure knowledge transfer, lessons learned, the necessity of guidelines (ITU will provide), etc.

Referring to ICC, Mr. Brown, ITU, felt that other organizations should not be encouraged to join the games since the number of participants could increase considerably. Mr. Bridi, UNOV/UNODC, stated that acceptance or rejection of an organization would still be a decision to be taken by the CC. Over the past years very few such requests had been received. It was also a fact that presently participation was low. Mr. Brown, ITU, however felt that the low participation was due to the higher cost of the package for each participant.

The Chair stated that a further brainstorming session could be held at the next meeting and requested that a decision on ICC be taken. The CC voted unanimously for a continued participation of ICC based on the factors reflected above.

The CC further decided that any request by an organization not included in the UN chart should be made to the IAG Secretariat who would gather the information on the requesting organization and submit its recommendation to the CC for a decision. General rule no. 6 would be amended accordingly.

#### Agenda Item 6. HR lists

The Chair had received original lists from the following organizations: OSCE, UNICEF New York, UNHQ NY, ICC, WIPO (including medical certificate for one cancellation), IFAD, CTBTO, UNMIC, UNOV/UNODC, WHO, UNOG (including JIU and UNDP), IAEA, ITU, UNMIS, IMO (petanque), UNAMID (football). UNIDO provided a copy as the original was left in Vienna and would provide them to the Secretariat.

The meeting closed at 5.45 p.m. and the next meeting was set for 4.30 p.m. on 15 April 2011.













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# Draft Minutes of the 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Control Commission – Friday, 15 April 2011

Present:

CTBTO: Mr. Helmuth Breitenfellner DPKO/UNTSO: Mr. Jean-Marc Lafrenière

Mr. Louis Best

IAEA: Mr. Peter Patak

Mr. John Meehan

ICC: Ms. Karin Oomen
IFAD: Ms. Viviane Di Majo
ILO: Mr. Bill Ratteree
ITU: Mr. Leroy Brown
OSCE: Mr. Nizar Zaher
UNHQNY: Ms. Cristina Silva
UNOV/UNODC: Mr. Daniel Bridi

Mr. Khalid Khan

UNIDO: Marie-Odile Dorer (Chair)

Mr. Steven Eales

UNESCO: Mr. Papa Gaye Malick WHO: Mr. Arnaud Devilliers WIPO: Ms. Natalia Deblue

Mr. Eales, UNIDO, proposed a motion prior to adopting the agenda, namely expelling Mr. Meehan from the CC because of his behaviour at the meeting on the previous day. The request needed secondment by another member of CC. While Mr. Bridi, UNOV/UNODC, expressed understanding for the request he did not want to second it nor did any of the other CC members present. Mr. Meehan provided an explanation. **The motion did not carry**.









# Agenda Item 1. Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda was adopted.

# Agenda Item 2. Adoption of the minutes of the meetings held on 13 and 14 April

The CC went through the minutes item by item. The minutes were adopted with the inclusion of some changes.

## Agenda Item 3. UNIAG 2010: FAO reimbursements

Ms. Dorer enquired on the status of the FAO reimbursements and requested each organization present to confirm that reimbursements had been made. All present did confirm except for Mr. Lafreniere (DPKO) who wanted to check prior to confirming.

## Agenda Item 4. Darts: verification of participants

Except for 1 player everybody was verified.

#### Agenda Item 5. Brainstorming session on conditions for IAG

The Chair opened the floor for ideas, suggestions, improvements enhancing participation.

Mr. Meehan, IAEA, reported that the statistics of the last four years showed a decrease in participation. Mr. Bridi, UNOV, suggested undertaking a world-wide survey of all UN staff. Ms. Di Majo, IFAD, suggested a stronger involvement of the management of each organization.

Mr. Lafrenière, DPKO, felt that cancellations, as in 2010, should be avoided. Mr. Bridi, UNOV/UNODC, clarified that, according to information available to the Secretariat, that the Staff Coop of FAO had been instructed by their administration to cancel the games. They had asked for clarification, which to date has not been provided. Mr. Brown, ITU, enquired on the number of participants in 2010. It was agreed to ask FAO for the approximate number of registrations received.

Mr. Ratteree, ILO, felt the survey to be a good idea but doubted that it would be completed by many staff members. His suggestion was to ask the members of CC and the members of the organizing committee to make a thorough analysis. Mr. Bridi, UNOV/UNODC, thought the survey to be a useful tool to increase awareness of the IAG with staff at large. Prior approval would have to be obtained by the individual administrations of the organizations participating in the survey. Mr. Malick, UNESCO, supported the idea of ILO. Ms. Silva, UNNY, supported the idea of a survey. Mr. Brown, ITU, found that the opinions of many staff members would be interesting. For him it was important to address staff representatives first and then staff at large. He further felt that the involvement of high-level management had to be on equal levels in all organizations. Mr. Bridi, UNOV/UNODC, stated that his administration was not at all interested in the organization of the IAG. The CC agreed that the secretariat should design a draft survey and send it to the CC members for input and approval. Ms. Di Majo, IFAD, requested a simple survey to be issued soonest.









The question of the aim of the survey was raised by Mr. Brown, ITU. Ms. Oomen, ICC, felt an increased participation to be the aim. Mr. Meehan, IAEA, said that increased participation would result in higher competition and more teams. Mr. Eales, UNIDO, stated that for him non-awareness of the games was a big problem.

Ms. Silva, UNNY, repeated suggestions made by players to add other sports like cricket. The athletes, for example, had only two races in four days and could participate in other disciplines. Mr. Best, UNAMID Sudan, stated that the number of participants would increase considerably if the games were held in Africa. He knew a number of colleagues who were interested but did not participate due to the expected visa problems. Mr. Meehan, IAEA, said that the location of Africa was against the rules. Mr. Brown, ITU, opposed this statement.

Ms. Dorer, UNIDO, drew the attention to the security issues if the games were to take place in Africa. Mr. Bridi, UNOV/UNODC asked who would be the organizer in Africa. Ms. Atana, UNON, stated that Nairobi had expressed its interest. Mr. Bridi, UNOV/UNODC, replied that no invitation had been received and encouraged her to have an official invitation sent.

Mr. Malick, UNESCO, thought that the venue would define participation. Ms. Silva, UNNY, stated that New York would also like to host the games in a few years.

Mr. Ratteree, ILO, felt that there were three main factors determining the level of participation: venue, date and cost. Beaches would always attract people. As to the date, he found late spring to be the best period. He was in favour of the idea of expanding to other venues, i.e. Africa or USA. He finally suggested that the secretariat looked at possible proposals.

Mr. Brown, ITU, proposed to ask for a letter of reference from the mayor of the host city for future organizers.

It was felt that the difference in hotel accommodation created many complaints. Ms. Dorer, UNIDO, explained the difficulty in finding a venue where all hotels were close to each other and all at the same accommodation level. When a bidding exercise was completed for IAG 2011 it was found that many other locations were much more expensive. Mr. Eales, UNIDO, stated that the rental of sports sites and transportation were the cost intensive factors when calculating the package for the staff. Reimbursement for cheaper hotels or cheaper disciplines was felt to be impossible. Mr. Malick, UNESCO, underlined that the solidarity among the players had to be maintained.

## Agenda Item 6. Situation at the various disciplines

Ms. Oomen, ICC, reported a lady named Ms. Murphy had arrived from New York and claimed to be part of the athletes' team. **The registration database did not show her name**.

Ms. Silva, UNNY, reported one basketball player to be injured seriously, he had been operated instantly. Ms. Atana, UNON, reported one Nairobi football player to be injured. The question was raised whether he could be replaced by a Nairobi tennis player who had already played. The CC agreed on this arrangement.









Mr. Zaher, OSCE, reported all football players' IDs as verified. He further reported that a team from Kosovo was playing in a very agressive and rude manner. There was a further complaint about one referee who did not get engaged in the game at all. After the football coordinator spoke to him there was a slight improvement. As mentioned before one Nairobi football player was seriously injured and taken to hospital. Although this incident was not the result of a foul, the CC members felt that rules should exist to expel players involved in severe fouls.

The yellow card rule was changed in a captains' meeting with the referee. A player with three yellow cards received during the whole tournament would not be allowed to continue playing. Many CC members felt that no rules should be changed without permission of CC but Mr. Zaher, OSCE, replied that the use of yellow cards was defined by the referee before the play.

Mr. Breitenfellner, CTBTO, announced that scores would be put on the website.

Mr. Eales, UNIDO, made some announcements concerning the evening program.

The next meeting was set for 16 April 2011 at 3 p.m.

The Chair closed the meeting













# Draft Minutes of the 4th meeting of the Control Commission – Saturday, 16 April 2011

Present:

CTBTO: Mr. Helmuth Breitenfellner

Ms. Glenda Wolstenholme

DPKO/UNTSO: Mr. Jean-Marc Lafrenière

Mr. Louis Best

IAEA: Mr. Peter Patak

Mr. John Meehan

ICC: Ms. Karin Oomen
IFAD: Ms. Viviane Di Majo
ILO: Mr. Bill Ratteree
ITU: Mr. Ravindra Chopra
OSCE: Mr. Nizar Zaher
UNHQNY: Ms. Cristina Silva
UNOV/UNODC: Mr. Daniel Bridi

Mr. Khalid Khan

UNIDO: Marie-Odile Dorer (Chair)

Mr. Steven Eales

UNESCO: Mr. Papa Gaye Malick WHO: Mr. Arnaud Devilliers WIPO: Ms. Natalia Deblue

## Agenda Item 1. Adoption of the Agenda

The following issues were added to the Agenda:

- 1) suggestions of IAEA on penalties for breach of agreed norms
- 2) Change of Basketball rules
- 3) Host for IAG 2013









Ms. Oomen, ICC, reported that at Athletics one team was short of an athlete, a golf player volunteered to help the team. The CC approved this arrangement.

One athlete from IAEA was donated to another discipline to complete the team. His request was to be allowed to participate in the prize giving ceremony of his original team. The CC voted on this request as follows: ITU yes, ILO yes, CTBTO no, UNIDO yes, WHO abstain, UNESCO abstain, WIPO yes, IFAD no, IAEA no, ICC yes, OSCE yes. As the majority of CC members were in favour of the request, it was approved.

# Agenda Item 2. Minutes of third meeting of the CC

The Chair stated that the minutes of the third and fourth meetings of the CC would be distributed electronically for adoption.

#### Agenda Item 3. Proposal by UNIDO to deal with injuries and medical emergencies

Mr. Eales, UNIDO, recommended to introduce a system whereby each participant to the interagency games should carry the most important medical data in a closed envelop and hand it over to a person authorized to open it in case of emergency. This would enable quick action by the medical personnel. Mr. Devilliers, WHO, suggested a form with details to be filled in by each participant. Mr. Malick, UNESCO, supported the idea of Mr. Devilliers and added that the completed forms should be given to the captains. Mr. Eales, UNIDO, proposed that the Secretariat develop a form with a process that would ensure confidentiality and submit the proposals to the CC for decision. The CC agreed.

#### Agenda Item 4. Registration database and Games 2013

Mr. Bridi, UNOV/UNODC, strongly recommended to always use the same database for registration of participants.

The Games 2013 should be hosted by ILO Geneva. Mr. Malick, UNESCO, enquired why it had not been possible for Geneva to host the games in the recent years. Mr. Ratteree, ILO, answered that the administrations of the various UN bodies were reluctant to get involved and were not interested. He expressed the hope that with the coming change in administration of ILO at the end of this year the situation might change. He further promised to forward the request for hosting the IAG 2013 to the relevant staff associations in Geneva. Mr. Meehan, IAEA, asked for an answer by September 2011. Mr. Ratteree, ILO, could not promise to keep the deadline. Mr. Lafrenière, DPKO, suggested to address Nairobi in case of a negative reply from Geneva. Mr. Meehan, IAEA, stated that the Secretariat could send letters to both Nairobi and New York provided that the addressees were known. Ms. Silva, UNNY, repeated her intention to follow-up on the matter and see whether the games could be organized by them.









Mr. Bridi, UNOV/UNODC, enquired about the newly established sports committee in Geneva. Mr. Ratteree, ILO, was not aware of such a committee but assumed that it could have been established by UNOG.

The CC agreed to delete the last sentence of general rule 2 of the Games should Nairobi send an official invitation to host the Games 2013.

# Agenda Item 5. Results of various disciplines

Mr. Breitenfellner, CTBTO, stated that the results were placed on the website and he read them for those who did not have computer access.

#### Agenda Item 6. Improvement of communication lines

Due to time constraints the **CC felt that inputs for this item should be made electronically**. Mr. Lafrenière, **DPKO**, was asked to suggest better ways of communication for the peace-keeping entities.

Agenda Item 7. Other business

# Suggestion of IAEA on penalties for breach of agreed norms

These proposals had been put on the website but the link did not work. The CC agreed on a deadline for submission of comments/recommendations until mid-May2011. **The Secretariat would send out a reminder.** 

#### Suggestion of IAEA on group system and minimum/maximum (see attachment)

Mr. Meehan, IAEA, explained that the proposed amendment meant a break up in groups only when it was not possible to play as one group. It was felt by all CC members that the captains had to be consulted on all decisions related to change in rules and the establishing of the teams. **The CC reached consensus on the proposal of IAEA.** 

The proposal on minimum and maximum participation was not discussion.

#### Suggestion of ILO to change basketball rules and the General Rule on eligibility of participants

Mr. Ratteree, ILO, reminded the CC members that since 2004 it had been tried to change the basketball rules. Due to some procedural mistakes it never happened and he now proposed to formally endorse these changes. Mr. Ratterree stated that all captains were in agreement. The CC decided to have this proposal distributed to all members by the Chair and to set a deadline for decision for mid-May 2011. Mr. Ratteree, ILO, stressed that the new rules should be in place for the next games.









Mr. Ratteree, ILO, further proposed to expand competition through giving allowance for spouses and children of staff members to actively participate in the games. He asked to reconsider the eligibility criteria. Maybe also to allow participation for consultants, interns, etc. He suggested to start a pilot project, show more flexibility and evaluate the results after a certain period of time. This would also help to increase the number of participants. Mr. Eales, UNIDO, remarked that family members could be professional players in a discipline.

A discussion on the eligibility criteria started among the representatives of IAEA, UNESCO, IFAD, UNOV/UNODC as the contractual situation in the various UN organizations differed considerably. It was felt that there was an urgent need for clarification on this issue.

Mr. Ratteree, ILO, finally proposed to ask the Secretariat for clarification of the rule on the basis of the discussion held and have the CC members vote on it. **He promised to send the ILO proposal to the Chair for further distribution.** 

The Chair closed the meeting at 5 p.m.









#### Proposals from the IAEA

# (1) Group system:

The IAEA proposes that all disciplines, in conformity with rule 1 of the General Rules and in the spirit of the Games, should play all other teams in their specific discipline. Only when, because of the number of participating teams and the limited time available, this would be impossible then and only then should the discipline be formed into groups.

To this end the IAEA requests that the SECRETARIAT examine all the discipline rules where a group system is proposed to ensure that at the point where a group system is put into operation the number should not be less than that number where it is possible to play all the other teams in the competition. If this is not the case then the number of teams decided upon to establish groups should be changed accordingly. Wording could be added to rule five of the General Rules so that any future discipline has a principle by which it should organize its playing schedule.

#### (2) Minimum and Maximum designations:

The IAEA proposes that the definition of "Minimum" players shall refer to the minimum number of players required to fulfil all the playing requirements in any encounter. "Maximum" number of players shall mean the largest number of players permitted in a team including reserves/substitutes.

In this context the IAEA has no objection to a team which has less than the minimum number of participants taking part. However, there must be strict guidelines in such cases and the IAEA proposes the following:

- a) A team may compete with less than the minimum required players only if the discipline is made up of different individual events. In this context the de facto minimum would become that number by which the team has a mathematical possibility of winning the encounter.
- b) In disciplines where teams play other teams as a one-off team event this possibility is not an option.

The IAEA proposes that for each discipline, in which the possibility arises to compete with less than the "minimum" number of players the rules for such a situation be added to the existing discipline rules if they are not already included. These additional rules will specifically explain the scoring procedures and forfeit rules for such occasions.

The discipline coordinators and teams can discuss this at these Games and their proposals can be given to the Control Commission/Secretariat for inclusion in the discipline rules for future Games.







