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**MINUTES  
OF THE IJF ORDINARY CONGRESS  
Saturday August, 20 2011 - Palais des Congrès, Paris, France**

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    - Mr. Larbi EL JAMALI (MORROCO)
    - Mr. MOUNWAH (MAURITIUS)
    - Mr. Stephan SOI (KENYA)

- Mr. KOULIBALY (MALI)
- 11.2. – Asian Judo Union**
- Son Excellence, Mr. Mohammed BEN THAALOUB
  - Sheikh Kalifa AL SABAH (KUWAIT)
  - Mr. Jung Huang KIM (KOREA)
  - Mr. Takao KAWAGUCHI (JAPAN)
  - Mr. Jagdish TYTLER (INDE)
  - Mr. Wei Chen LU (CHINE,TAPEI)
  - Mr. Islam KARIMOV (UZBEKISTAN)
- 11.3. – Oceania Judo Union**
- Mr. Peter HERMAN
  - Mr. John DEACON
  - Mr. ALAN BROADHEAD
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  - Mr. Christer DALSTROM (SUEDE)
- 12. Miscellaneous**
- 12.1. - “Open Limit” : Presentation**
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- 13. Closing the Congress**



**The President Mr. MARIUS VIZER opens the Congress at 10.00 a.m.**

**Point I. OPENING GENERAL REMARKS**

The President Mr. VIZER welcomes all the participants and thanks them for attending the Congress. He reminds that in the framework of the World Championships the IJF will celebrate its 60th anniversary on following day, Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, at the Paris Opéra Garnier.

He thanks Mr. HICKEY, President of the European Olympic Comity and Mr. JÄGGI, the new IJF ambassador for having accepted his invitation.

President Mr.VIZER gives the floor to Mr. UEMURA, President of the Japanese Federation.

Mr. UEMURA thanks Mr. VIZER and all the persons that have expressed their sympathy when the earthquake hit his country on March 11<sup>th</sup> 2011. 20.000 persons lost their lives. 200.000 citizens lost their homes, 80.000 are still living in hardship situations, which necessities 10 years of reconstruction.

Despite this disastrous situation, Japan has continued to regularly organize events. The centennial anniversary of its Olympic Comity, founded by Jigoro KANO, was celebrated last July and the Tokyo Judo Grand Slam will take place, as planned, next December.

Mr. VIZER informs that, as decided by the EC, 200.000 US\$ will be donated to the Japanese Judo Federation, as support.

Mr. DHOUIB makes it clear that the IJF Congress is placed under Swiss law.

**Point II. QUORUM**

The Voting Rights Credentials Commission registered the day before (August, 19): 113 countries.

- Pan America 19
- Europe 47
- Africa 20
- Oceania 9
- Asia 18

M. DHOUIB reminds that the IJF counts 179 affiliated countries.

In accordance with the article 8.15, the Chairperson of the Congress may only declare the official opening of the Congress when at least one-third (1/3) of the Member National Federations are present or represented, and when at least three (3) different Continental Union representatives are present.

As the quorum is largely met since the previous day; the conditions of the Congress opening are fulfilled.

Please note that for amendments to the Statutes, majority is at a two-thirds (2/3) of the voting rights.

Comment:

The President Mr. VIZER clarifies that Mr. CASANOVA, as President of the Pan-American Judo Union, intervned at the CAS. He asked for a decision to be taken so that the PJU shall be allowed to participate to this Congress as the only representative of the Pan-American continent.

On the 19<sup>th</sup> of August, the day before the Congress, the CAS announced its decision rejecting this request. The CAS asks that the case should not be treated during the Congress. The judgment related to the dispute between the PJU, PJC and the IJF will be ruled out by the CAS after the 25<sup>th</sup> October 2011 audience.

The Pan-American continental report will be presented by the PJC President, Mr. WANDERLEY.

Mr. VIZER declares the Congress open.



**Point III. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA OF THE IJF 2011 ORDINARY CONGRESS HELD IN PARIS**

Mr. DHOUIB asks the audience to approve the agenda of the 2011 ordinary Congress.

**First resolution :**

**The representatives of the Member National Federations approve unanimously the IJF 2011 ordinary Congress agenda.**

**Point IV. APPROVAL OF THE IJF ORDINARY CONGRESS MINUTES HELD IN ROTTERDAM**

Mr. DHOUIB asks the audience to approve the minutes of the 2009 IJF ordinary Congress held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of August in Rotterdam.

**Second resolution :**

**The representatives of the Member National Federations approve unanimously the minutes of the 2009 IJF ordinary Congress held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of August in Rotterdam.**

**Point V. ELECTION OF SCRUTINEERS**

Mr. DHOUIB proposes the election of scrutineers:

- Mr. EL ARABI (African Judo Union),
- Mr. MOUKESH (Judo Union of Asia),
- Mr. GALEA (European Judo Union),
- Mr. BLAS (Oceania Judo Union ),
- Ms. PENNA (Pan American Judo Confederation)

**Third resolution:**

**Les candidates are validated unanimously. The scrutineers will elect their steward.**

**Point VI. IJF EC MEMBERS' ACTIVITIES**

**6.1 – President's Report by Mr. VIZER (Annex 1)**

- Judo Elite today
- Judo for Children
- A Global Strategy
- Grand Master Judo : growing fast
- Judo for Peace
- IJF Extranet
- Extranet – RANKING live
- Live Qualification L
- Country summary
- Judo FACEBOOK & Twitter
- Judo Assurance Judo
- Video on line shop
- Olympic Qualification
- Pan-America
- World Judo Day
- Judo Team Event
- IJF Donations '08 - '09
- Training Centers
- TV and Media
- TV Partners/Territories
- TV and Media
- Judo Ambassadors
- Future Mission
- 60th Anniversary



### **In conclusion:**

Mr. VIZER gives information about competitions. The IJF intends to limit the number of athletes to 9 or 10 per delegation per gender so that small countries would not be disadvantaged.

Mr. VIZER hopes that judo would be accessible to all, and that thanks to the support of the IJF, Continental Unions and National Federations may develop. "We need to be in permanent search of evolution. All countries must progress together, big nations as well as small ones. We must help them, support them and lead them to success. All countries must have opportunities to win important Championships".

Mr. VIZER believes that these objectives may be reached through technical actions and the development of activities for all. Of course, it is necessary to keep important Championships, but also to organize other types of Championships, like Veterans and Kata.

Even if actions progress slowly, he asks everybody to rigorously work and to accept the changes of rules. "All National Federations must commit themselves fully to the development of judo, so that it could be recognized by their National Olympic Committee and official entities. We must work together. Let everyone contribute to the development of judo."

### **6.2 - General Secretary's Report: Mr. DHOUIB**

Presentation of report: Annex 2.

After 18 years at this position, since his mandate started in 1993, Mr. DHOUIB announces that this is his last report as General Secretary. Even if periods were sometimes difficult, only the best things will be remembered. He will only keep good memories. He says to be proud of having contributed to the development of judo and its return to its traditional values. He warmly thanks all the delegates for their support during all these years.

### **6.3 - General Treasurer's Report: Mr. AL-TAMIMI**

Presentation of the accounts and the provisional budget: Annex 3.

Mr. AL TAMIMI thanks the President Mr. VIZER for his support during the past 4 years. A permanent support only to the benefit of the judo's recognition. He also thanks the championships organizers and the sponsors. Without their support no sports event would be possible.

Mr. AL TAMIMI presents the accounts of the 2009 and 2010 accounting period and informs that the balance closes positively.

He then presents the provisional budget for 2011.

In conclusion Mr. AL TAMIMI congratulates and thanks all who have contributed to the good results obtained.

#### **6.3.1. Auditor's Report.**

Within his mission to audit and control the IJF accounts, Ernst & Young cabinet concludes the audit of the 2009 and 2010 accounts. Following the summary document distributed to the delegates at the entrance of the congress, Mr. ZAHID ALI, representing Ernst & Young cabinet declares that the accounts of the 2009 and 2010 accounting periods, with regard to the international rules, are regular and sincere; he suggests that the delegates validate these accounts (Art. 23 of the IJF Statutes).

### **6.4 - Sports Director's Report: Mr. BARTA**

Detailed presentation of the sports report: Annex 4.

Information about the system in place for London 2012 Olympic Games given by Ms. ALLAN, "OG Judo Competition Manager". Presentation: Annex 5

### **6.5 - Refereeing Director's Report: Mr. BARCOS**

Detailed presentation of the refereeing activity: Annex 6.

### **6.6. - Education and coaching Director's Report: Mr. MERIDJA**

Detailed presentation of the Education and coaching activities report: Annex 7.

### **Comments:**

Mr. VIZER informs that the site previously meant to host the Coach Academy in Tunisia has been cancelled.



**6.7. - African Judo Union President's Report: Mr. PALENFO**

Presentation of the African Judo Union President's Report (2009-2011 periods): Annex 8.

**6.8. Asian Judo Union President's Report: Mr. AL-ANZI**

Presentation of the Asian Judo Union President's Report: Annex 9.

**6.9. European Judo Union President's Report: Mr. SOLOVEYCHIK**

Presentation of the European Judo Union President's Report: Annex 10.

**6.10. Oceania Judo Union President's report: Mrs HARGRAVE**

Presentation of the Oceania Judo Union President's report: Annex 11

**Comment:**

Mr. VIZER states that the presentation does not reflect OJU real situation.

**6.11. Pan American Judo Confederation President's Report: Mr. WANDERLEY**

Presentation of the Pan American Judo Confederation Director's Report: Annex 12.

After hearing the President's report, the General Secretary's report and the General Treasurer's report, Mr. DHOUIB submits to the Congress, for approval, the aforementioned reports.

**Fourth resolution :**

**The President's report, the General Secretary's report and the General Treasurer's report are unanimously validated.**

The General Secretary, Mr. DHOUIB, submits to the Congress, for approval, the accounts of the 2009 accounting period, the accounts of the 2010 accounting period and the 2011 provisional budget.

**Fifth resolution:**

**The accounts of the 2009 accounting period, the account of the 2010 accounting period and the 2011 provisional budget are unanimously validated.**

The General Secretary proposes that the discharge for good political and financial management shall be given to the IJF Executive Committee.

**Sixth resolution:**

**The Congress unanimously gives the discharge to the Executive Committee for its good political and financial management.**

**Point VII. RULES CHANGES**

**7.1. Sports rules : Mr. BARTA**

Mr. BARTA reminds that from now on the competitor wearing the white judogi would be called first.

**7.2. Refereeing rules: Mr. BARCOS**

No changes, due to the proximity of the Olympic Games time limit.

**7.3. Judo for Peace. Presentation made by Mr. MESSNER, who apologized for Mr. SCHIOTZ's absence.**

Presentation of the report: Judo for Peace - Annex 13.

**7.4. Amendments of the Statutes proposed by the EC: Mr. BENONE**

Decision procedure specified in the article 26.1

In order to ensure better understanding of the statutory modifications, Mr. BENONE informs that the amendments have been regrouped in 7 separate themes distributed to all the delegates in French, English and Spanish. He proposes to the delegates to take a stand, when each theme is mentioned, and to vote all the amendments in one vote.

**Seventh resolution :**

**The IJF statutory modifications voting procedure is unanimously validated by the delegates.**

**Theme 1 : Amendment on good functioning of Member Federations (Article 2 and article 3.2)**

No comment on the delegates' part.



Theme 2 : Associated members (Article 4)

No comment on the delegates' part.

Theme 3 : IOC Anti-doping rules (Article 8.3)

No comment on the delegates' part.

Theme 4 : Convening to the Congress by email (Article 8.5)

No comment on the delegates' part.

Theme 5 : Disciplinary procedures (Articles 10.2, 29.1, 29.2, 29.3, 29.4, 29.5, 30.2, 31.2, 32.2)

**Comments :**

Mr. BENONE clarifies that to avoid additional costs the EC has decided to suppress the IJF International Court of Arbitration and to refer only to Court of Arbitration for Sport.

No comment on the delegates' part.

Theme 6 : Grades and « dan » (Article 24.1)

No comment on the delegates' part.

Theme 7 : Put in conformity with the IOC text (urgent matter) : sport betting (New article 33: 33.1 ,33.2, 33.3 )

**Comment:**

Mr. BENONE informs that this new article 33 was not included in the document sent with the Congress notice. It has been added by the EC, because it was demanded by the IOC. International Federations that do not have this article in their statutes will not be allowed to participate to the Olympic Games.

No stand on the part of the delegates.

**Eighth resolution:**

**All the statutory amendments propositions presented by Mr. BENONE are approved unanimously. They are effective immediately.**

**Point VIII. ELECTIONS**

**8.1. - Election of the General Secretary. Candidate : Mr. ROUGE**

The President Mr. VIZER invites Mr. ROUGE to step forward. After the intervention of Mr. ROUGE, Mr. DHOUIB proposes, as specified in the Statutes, a vote by acclamation.

**Ninth resolution :**

**By acclamation, Mr. ROUGE is elected as the IJF General Secretary.**

**8.2.- Election of the General Treasurer. Candidate : Mr. AL TAMIMI**

The President Mr. VIZER invites Mr. AL TAMIMI to step forward. After the intervention of Mr. AL TAMIMI, Mr. DHOUIB proposes, as specified in the Statutes, a vote by acclamation.

**Tenth resolution :**

**By acclamation, Mr. AL TAMIMI is elected as the IJF General Treasurer.**

**8.3. Validation of the nomination of the IJF EC new members**

The President Mr. VIZER proposes the validation of two new members of the IJF EC: Mr. DHOUIB and Mr. KIM.

**Eleventh resolution :**

**By acclamation, Mr. DHOUIB and Mr. KIM are elected IJF EC members.**

**Point IX. PROPOSITION OF CONTINENTAL UNIONS AND NATIONAL FEDERATIONS**

**9.1 - Mr. EL JAMALI (Morocco)**

Mr. EL JAMALI thanks and congratulates the newly elected members and pays tribute to the General Secretary's team and to Dr. DHOUIB.

**9.2 - Mr. DANGA LOUM (Senegal)**

Mr. DANGA LOUM insists on underlying Mr. ROUGE's successful career pathway, who was World Champion and is now IJF General Secretary: "whole symbol" indeed. He also thanks Mr. DHOUIB for his successful career as General Secretary.



### **9.3 - Mr. PERRIN (Vanuatu) – OJU Vice-President**

Supports actions undertaken in Oceania by its President.

#### **Comment :**

Mr. VIZER believes that Oceania lacks professional management and that a leader is needed to carry out this mission properly.

## **Point X. IJF WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS CALENDAR**

## **Point XII. MISCELLANEOUS**

### **12.1. - QRYPTO Mobile presented by OPEN LIMIT (Annex 14)**

### **12.2. - HEART CONTROL presented by CARDIPLUS (Annex 15)**

### **12.3. - Presentation of Moscow's bid for 2014 World Championships (Annex 16)**

### **12.4 - Intervention of Mr. HANES, Vice-President of the Judo Association of Ethiopia.**

The Judo Association of Ethiopia is not a member of the IJF yet. However, for the first time, it will participate in the World Championships with two competitors. Mr. HANES shares with the assembly the proudness of his association to join the great worldwide judo family through IJF. He introduces his President: Dr. DEGINEH. The IJF will support Ethiopia in its development project. Mr. HANES thanks the President Mr. VIZER for allowing his country to be able to participate at this moving moment and for allowing the colors of Ethiopia to be present during this great event.

### **12.5 – New members welcome**

Mr. VIZER welcomes the new IJF members:

- Bangladesh
- Honduras
- Liberia
- Belize

### **12.6 - Intervention of Mr. HELL, President of the Netherlands Judo Federation.**

Mr. HELL intervenes within the framework of the IJF 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and gives to the IJF President, Mr. VIZER, a present on behalf of his Federation.

## **Point XI. – AWARD CEREMONY**

### **11.1. – African Judo Union**

- Mr. Hédi DHOUIB (Tunisia) - IJF gold medal
- Mr. Larbi EL JAMALI (Morocco) - IJF special award
- Mr. Joseph MOUNAWAH (Mauritius) - IJF special award
- Mr. Stephan SOI (Kenya) - IJF special award
- Mr. Raymond KOULIBALY (Mali)- IJF special award

### **11.2. – Judo Union of Asia**

- His Excellency, Mr. Mohammed BEN THALOUB (UAE) - IJF special award
- Sheikh Kalifa AL SABAH (Kuwait) - IJF special award
- Mr. Jung Huang KIM (Korea) - IJF special award
- Mr. Takao KAWAGUCHI (Japan) - IJF special award
- Mr. Jagdish TYTLER (Inde) - IJF special award
- Mr. Islam KARIMOV (Uzbekistan) - IJF special award
- Mr. Wei Chen LU (China, Tapei) - IJF special award
- Mr. Beket MAKHMUTOV (Kazakhstan) - IJF special award

### **11.3. - Oceania Judo Union**

- Mr. Peter HERRMAN (Australia) - IJF special award





- Mr. John DEACON (Australia) - IJF special award
- Mr. ALAN BROADHEAD (Australia) - IJF special award

#### **11.4. – European Judo Union**

- Mr. Michel BROUSSE (France) - IJF special award
- Mr. Christer DALSTROM (Sweden) - IJF special award

### **Point XIII. –CLOSING THE CONGRESS**

Mr. VIZER gives his heartfelt thanks to all the individuals who contributed to the development of judo since its inception by Jigoro KANO. This was made possible thanks to his disciples, the pioneers of our discipline, as well as all the people who have travelled around the world to promote our sport.

Mr. VIZER thanks the National Federations and the Continental Unions for their solidarity and support even in tough economic times.

“All development projects have been seriously implemented by most of you. We are currently in a transition period, I am confident that we will take the next step together, which will allow us to become one of the most successful sports in the world”.

“Thank you for your attention. We will meet again tomorrow evening to celebrate together the IJF 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Thank you all”.

**The President Mr. VIZER declares the closing of the 2011 IJF ordinary Congress.**

**The agenda being exhausted, the Congress is closed at 17:30.**

