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THE 12th IWUF CONGRESS

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Minutes

AGENDA ITEM 1. Roll call

Attendants: 79 IWUF member federations

President Yu Zaiqing presided over the 12th IWUF Congress.

AGENDA ITEM 2. Address by President Mr. Yu Zaiqing

President Yu provided his opening address to the congress. He firstly thanked the Malaysian Wushu Federation on behalf of the IWUF for all their work and efforts exerted to make the 12th WWC and related meetings possible. President Yu then went on report on the work conducted by the IWUF since the 11th congress which was held in Ankara, Turkey in 2011. This included the following topics:

1. 2020 Olympic Bid

President Yu gave an overview of the IWUF's history pertaining to its desire for Wushu to be included in the Olympic Games. With this he discussed the "Wushu Tournament Beijing 2008" and also highlighted that the IWUF had successfully lobbied for a similar event to be held during the 2014 Youth Olympic Games in Nanjing. The IOC had confirmed that the "Nanjing 2014 Youth Wushu Tournament" will take place during the games as part of their Cultural and Education programme.

President Yu stated that due to the IWUF's constant efforts, Wushu was shortlisted by the IOC in 2011 along with seven other sports for the review of the 2020 Olympic Programme. An IWUF presentation team was then selected which comprised of himself (President Yu Zaiqing), Vice-Presidents Mr. Anthony Goh (USA), Mr. Raymond Smith (GBR), and Mr. Glen Keith (NZL), along with Referee Representative Mr. Byron Jacobs (RSA), Technical Representative Mr. Luc Bendza (GAB) and Athlete Representative Ms. Daria Tarasova (RUS). President Yu then gave an overview of the work done by the working team to complete the various IOC questionnaires, as well as to prepare other presentation materials. President Yu stated that the IWUF accommodated an inspection visit by IOC officials during the 4th World Junior Wushu Championships in Macau in September 2013.

President Yu stated that although the IWUF team had exerted a lot of effort through this process, in the end Wushu was not included, instead wrestling was re-instated. President Yu stated that



irrespective of the fact that Wushu was not selected in the end, the IWUF learnt a great deal from this process, and he commended the presentation team for all their hard work and was positive on Wushu's future Olympic chances.

2. The success of wushu events and competitions

President Yu stated that successful events are fundamental to the growth and development of Wushu worldwide. He stated that the 11th World Wushu Championships (Ankara, Turkey), the 4th World Junior Wushu Championships (Macau, China), the 6th Sanda World Cup (Fujian, China), the Wushu competition of the 2013 World Games (Cali, Colombia), the 2nd World Combat Games (Saint Petersburg, Russia) and the 3rd Islamic Solidarity Games were all held successfully. He stated that the preparations for the 12th World Wushu Championships as well as the Nanjing 2014 Youth Wushu Tournament are well underway.

President Yu stated that the IWUF is continually improving the quality of its events by conducting site inspections as well as working closely with the organizers and offering them assistance technically to this end.

3. Financial situation

President Yu stated that a strong financial foundation is paramount to the sustainable development of the IWUF. He stated that he had conducted negotiations with the Chinese Olympic Committee successfully, in order for them to continue their financial support of the IWUF. He stated that the IWUF had also reached sponsorship agreements with three companies, Heng Yuan Xiang, 361 Degree, and Wesing, to a total combined sponsorship value of US\$750 000.00 per annum. President Yu stated that some other companies had also been approached, and that yet another agreement is expected to be signed following the conclusion of the 12th World Wushu Championships.

4. Anti-doping Campaign

President Yu stated the problems faced by all sports worldwide due to doping, which also threatens the health of the athletes themselves. He stated that the IWUF is applying all its effort to comply with the WADA code and to make Wushu a clean sport. He stated that the IWUF had signed an agreement with WADA to make use of its Anti-Doping Administration and Management System (ADAMS), and that the IWUF had established a Registered Testing Pool in 2011 which was renewed in 2012. President Yu stated that the IWUF had conducted 80 anti-doping tests in 2012, through which 3 sanda athletes were found to have violated the IWUF Anti-Doping rules. The IWUF imposed a 2 year ban on these athletes. The year 2013 would see the IWUF conduct 25 out-of-competition and 30 in-competition tests be conducted. President Yu stated that the IWUF would further consult



WADA and other anti-doping specialists with the aim of establishing a clear and professional anti-doping structure, and that the IWUF would be creating an Anti-Doping education plan.

5. Governance and Communication

President Yu stated that the IWUF's evolution has prompted several amendments to be made to the Constitution, which would be voted upon at the present Congress. He stated that these changes were needed in order for the IWUF's constitution to be more consistent with the IOC operation. Suggestions regarding changes were also received from the members themselves.

President Yu stated that the new IWUF office in Lausanne is functioning well, and has maintained a good working relationship with the IOC and other sports organizations based there due to this. Professional accounting and auditing services were also engaged in Switzerland. He stated that one of the amendments to the constitution includes the formal relocation of the IWUF headquarters to Lausanne from Beijing.

President Yu stated that the IWUF communication with its members has also been improved. The IWUF has started to provide its members with regular newsletters to keep members up to date with news, reports and updates from the IWUF. He also stated that the IWUF is fully aware of the popularity of social media and that the IWUF has started to utilize this medium as well, and that he looks forward to more members becoming actively involved in this field as well..

President Yu stated that the IWUF is in the process of redesigning its website as well as creating a new online registration system, both with the goal of streamlining the IWUF's working method and improving its efficiency.

President Yu closed his address by saying that the IWUF is steadily growing stronger, and this is thanks to the joint efforts of the entire global wushu family. He thanked all the members for their dedication and contribution. He further stressed the fact that the IWUF's scope is not limited to elite level competitions, but also the passing on of Wushu's intangible elements and core elements of peace, harmony, moral enhancement, discipline, following rules and pursuing excellence. He hoped that the IWUF family works together in confidence and trust to lead Wushu to an even brighter future.

AGENDA ITEM 3. Welcome Address by President of Wushu Federation of Malaysia

Mr. Martin Lim Song Seng, President of the Wushu Federation of Malaysia welcomed participants to the Championships. The welcome reception and the opening ceremony will be held on the evening of October 3, 2013. Many high ranking officials will attend the opening ceremony. The competition venue is ready for wushu competition in line with the requirements of the IWUF Technical



Committee. It can accommodate two taolu carpets and one sanda platform. The organizing committee has arranged 6 hotels to accommodate the officials, judges, athletes, and coaches. So far, 54 countries and regions entered for taolu competitions and 58 countries and regions will participate in the sanda competitions with 280 taolu athletes and 287 sanda athletes.

AGENDA ITEM 4. Approval of the minutes of the 11th IWUF Congress

The delegates unanimously approved the minutes of 11th IWUF Congress.

AGENDA ITEM 5. Work report by the Secretary General (2012-2013)

Ms. Liu Beijian, the IWUF Secretary General made the work report of 2012 – 2013. She made the following report:

Ms. Liu Beijing thanked everyone for all the support received by the entire IWUF secretariat over the past year. She also stated that the IWUF had made achievements under President Yu. She covered the following main points:

1. IWUF Headquarters

Ms. Liu stated that the 27th EB meeting approved the setup of headquarters in Lausanne, Switzerland. An IWUF office has been registered and opened according to Swiss Civil Code. In line with the IWUF Constitution, this office was initially registered as a branch of the IWUF. This will be ratified once the amended constitution is approved at this congress. She stated that since opening the Lausanne office, it has liaised with other international sports organizations such the IOC, SportAccord and the World Anti-Doping Agency and more staff will be hired once the headquarters are officially moved to Lausanne. Ms. Liu stated that a new IWUF bank account has been opened in UBS Switzerland and the transfer of the account from Belgium to Switzerland has been completed. The current treasurer, Mr. Urs Krebs, has asked IWUF members to pay membership fees into this new account.

2. Marketing

Ms. Liu stated that progress has been made in the marketing field, as presented by President Yu in his address, and that the IWUF is looking forward to having more sponsors cooperating with the IWUF.

3. Anti-doping Work

Ms. Liu stated that the IWUF was included in WADA's list of compliant IF's at the last moment in 2011 and has worked closely with WADA and implemented the use of ADAMS. A registered out of competition testing pool has been created. Ms Liu stated that through the 80 tests conducted in 2012, 3 positive results were found from Indonesia, Chinese Taipei and Uzbekistan and the IWUF imposed suspensions on these athletes. She stated that the testing plan for 2013 is to conduct 25 out-of-competition tests and 30 in-competition tests, as of time of the congress, 16 out of competition tests had been conducted with no positive test samples found. She stated that the IWUF will continue to improve its Anti-Doping programme.

4. Competitions

Ms. Liu stated that in the years 2012 and 2013, the IWUF organized the following wushu events:

4.1 The 4th World Junior Wushu Championships was held in September, 2012 in Macau, China with about 800 participants from 39 countries/regions registered in the Championships, of which 404 were athletes. As a part of the general review programme of Wushu Competition Management, the International Olympic Committee sent two officials to observe the last two days' events. Ms. Liu stated that through the efforts of the Macau organizing committee this was a success, which left the IOC officials with a good impression of the sport.

4.2 The 5th World Traditional Wushu Championships was held from November 5 to 11, 2012 in Huangshan, China, with a total of 2865 participants from 53 countries and regions. Mr. Yu Zaiqing, IWUF President, with another 6 members from the IWUF Executive Board also attended the event. Ms. Liu stated Mount Huangshan is a popular scenic tourist destination, which all the participants enjoyed immensely.

4.3 The 6th Sanda World Cup

The 6th Sanda World Cup took place from October 20 to 26, 2012 in Wuyishan, China. A total of 50 athletes from 18 countries and regions participated in the event. The top three place winners of each Sanda weight category from the 11th World Wushu Championships took part in the World Cup



with 11 categories for men and 7 categories for women. China, Egypt, and Philippines were the top three placed countries.

4.4 World Taijiquan Classic

Ms. Liu stated that as approved at the previous EB meeting, the World Taijiquan Championships would be held every two years starting from 2014 for the purpose of promoting Taijiquan. As the test event for the next year's World Taijiquan Championships, the 1st World Taijiquan Classic was held from June 22 to 23, 2013, in Chengdu, China, with participation of a total of 85 athletes from 9 countries and regions. Chengdu is nicknamed the "City of Taiji" and hence the event attracted a large number of spectators, most of them being Taijiquan practitioners themselves. Taijiquan masters made a demonstration of various styles of Taijiquan during the competition followed by many local citizens.

4.5 The 9th World Games

Wushu Tournament of the 9th World Games was held from July 31 to August 5 2013 in Cali, Colombia. A total of 109 accredited participants from IWUF members attended in the event. As an invitational event, Wushu drew a lot of attention during the world games. The tickets were all sold out within one week and the gymnasium was filled with enthusiastic audiences. A wushu demonstration was presented by the Chinese and other top level athletes at the end of the competition.

4.6 The 2nd Sportaccord World Combat Games

The 2nd Sportaccord Combat Games was held in St. Petersburg from October 23 to 26, 2013. A total of 80 athletes and 40 judges and team officials attended the event. As the event was just finished over the past weekend, the data and details will be updated later.

5. Training Courses

5.1 International Wushu Judges Examination Course

Ms. Liu reported that three international wushu judges examination courses were held by the IWUF in 2012. It was the first time that such courses were held outside of China, one in Indonesia in May with participation of 132 trainees from 21 countries and regions and another one in Portugal in June with participation of 36 trainees from 15 countries. The third course was in Guangzhou, China



with 63 participants from 18 countries. The participants learned the 3rd Set of International Wushu Taolu Routine with 10 routines all together and they all passed the examination.

5.2 2013 International Wushu Coaches Training Course

Two International Coaches Training Courses for the 3rd Set of International Competition Routine were held in the year of 2013. One was held from April 3 to 10, in Campinas City, Brazil. Around 80 coaches from 12 Latin American countries participated in the course. Mr. Wang Yulong and 4 other wushu experts from China conducted the course. It is the first time that the IWUF coaching course was run in South America and the course was welcomed and was highly appreciated by all the attendants.

Another one was held from June 14 to 21, in Chengdu, China. The Course was organized by the International Wushu Federation and the Chinese Wushu Association. A total of 138 judges, coaches and athletes from 30 countries and regions participated in the Course. All the participants have passed the examination and received certificates.

6 .Continental Competitions and Regional Games

Ms. Liu stated how pleased she was to see the continental federations actively organizing wushu championships in their respective areas such as:

European Wushu Championships – Estonia

European Traditional Wushu Championships – Romania

African Wushu Championships – Morocco (June) & Madagascar (September)

Asian Wushu Championships – Vietnam

Asian Junior Wushu Championships - Philippines

She stated that over the past 2 years, the IWUF has sent wushu experts to assist with the organization of regional events such as the 3rd Islamic Solidarity Games in Indonesia, the Lusofonia Games in Goa, India, the East Asian Games in Tianjin, China and the South East Asian Games in Myanmar. It was also the first time that Wushu was included as an official sport in the Islamic Games and the Lusofonia Games. Ms. Liu thanked the Indonesian Wushu Federation for their efforts in making the Islamic Games a success, in which 18 IWUF members countries/regions participated. She stated that the Lusofonia Games were postponed until the following January.

7. Nanjing 2014 Youth Wushu Tournament

Ms. Liu reported that the IOC has approved to have a Wushu Tournament in 2014 Nanjing Olympic Youth Games. President Yu Zaiqing, Vice President Anthony Goh and Mr. Wang Yulong, Chairman of Technical Committee visited Nanjing earlier in October 2013 and held talks with Nanjing Organizing Committee regarding Wushu Tournament. The Regulations of the Tournament have been finalized and approved by the EB. The financial conditions and number of participants have already been finalized with the organizers. The 5th World Junior Wushu Championships next year will act as the qualification system for the Nanjing 2014 Youth Wushu Tournament. The event will be taken place in Antalya, Turkey at the end of March in 2014. We hope to see our young wushu athletes in the 2nd Olympic Youth Games next year.

Ms. Liu stated that most of our work was devoted to Wushu's bid for the 2020 Olympics, which was the first time for Wushu to be officially included as one of the 8 shortlisted sports for the Olympic Programme and while it's true that Wushu didn't achieve its ultimate goal in the bid, the IWUF has received greater exposure to the Olympic family and has done a remarkable job in the process of bidding. We are all convinced that IWUF is a stronger federation today, with the team spirit of good cooperation, although it is a young federation with a history of only 20 years. While the IWUF has a long way to go, it will realize its dream with its ability and capacity in the future.

AGENDA ITEM 6. Financial report by the Treasurer (2011 – 2013)

After the EB meeting in Ankara, the IWUF Treasurer has done the following:

- Assisted with the opening of the IWUF office in Lausanne
- Opened a new bank account for the IWUF in Lausanne
- Took over the archives and the bank account from the previous treasurer.

The total income of the IWUF is CHF138844.65, total expenditure is CHF137918.20 and the closing balance (Net Worth) is CHF 926.45.

Mr. Paulo Araujo of Portugal asked for financial reports to be presented in English and/or Chinese in future, as these are the official languages of the IWUF. He also asked for a more detailed statement to be circulated in future, as opposed to opening and closing figures alone for clarity. Mr Krebs clarified what the figure in question related to, which was income received from a sponsor, as well as other figures which were related to overhead running costs of the office, such as water and electricity.



AGENDA ITEM 7. Approval of the amendment of the IWUF Constitution

IWUF Vice-President Mr. Anthony Goh addressed the assembly and mentioned that the major changes to the constitution include the official change of headquarters to Lausanne, Switzerland from Beijing, China. Secondly, the change of the definition of quorum from half the total members plus one was changed to one third the total members constituting quorum. Thirdly, the structure and definition of the anti-doping disciplinary committee. Mr. Goh also stated that certain revisions to the constitution were made during and following the EB Meeting held on the 30th of October 2013 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. These changes included:

- 1) Article 30.1 was amended which now states that Continental Federations shall be responsible for nominating candidates from their own continent for positions to serve on the Executive Board.
- 2) Article 35.2 was amended which now states that in cases of discrepancy between the English and Chinese version texts of the constitution, the English version shall prevail.

The Congress unanimously approved the amended IWUF Constitution. (See attached constitution)

AGENDA ITEM 8. Approval of the nomination of IWUF EB members

The Congress unanimously approved Mr. Kee Yong Wee (Malaysia) as IWUF Vice President and Ms. Daria Tarasova (Russia) as Executive Board member as athlete representative.

IWUF Vice-President Mr. Raymond Smith addressed the congress. He enforced the importance of the liaison work that is done between an IWUF Vice-President and his/her respective continent, which is key in the successful organization of Wushu events in said continent. In line with the constitution, generally the continental federation president is put forward into the role of IWUF Vice-President. Mr. Smith stated that for operation reasons, the continental federation president may nominate someone to take his/her place in this capacity. With the regrettable passing of Mr. Lim Keng Yaik, his position as Vice-President needed to be filled. The IWUF EB consulted with the Asian Federation, which nominated Mr. Kee in this capacity. The IWUF EB then voted unanimously in favor of Mr. Kee's appointment as an IWUF Vice-President. Mr. Smith then asked for the approval of the congress for the ratification of the EB standing to include Mr. Kee as a Vice-President. The congress then approved this unanimously.



Mr. Smith then went on to introduce the addition of an athlete's representative on the IWUF EB, and he clarified the important role such a representative would have as a voice for the Wushu athletes at an executive level. Mr. Smith stated that the inclusion of an athletes' representative at an executive level is indeed in-line with what is practiced by numerous international sports federations and is a practice encouraged by the IOC. Mr. Smith stated that the athletes' commission nominated Ms. Tarasova of Russia for this role, and the EB has reviewed the nomination and support the proposal made by the athletes' commission. Mr. Smith then asked for the approval of the congress to have Ms. Tarasova as an EB member. The congress approved the nomination unanimously.

The current Executive Board standing is as follows:

Mr. Zaiqing Yu - China (President)

Mr. Anthony Goh - USA (Vice-President)

Mr. Kee Yong Wee – Malaysia (Vice-President)

Mr. Raymond Smith – Great Britain (Vice-President)

Mr. Glen Keith – New Zealand (Vice-President)

Mr. Bashir Elardawei – Libya (Vice-President)

Ms. Beijian Liu – China (Secretary-General)

Mr. Urs Krebs – Switzerland (Treasurer)

Mr. Fok Chun Wan - Hong Kong, China (Member)

Mr. Muraoka Kyuhei - Japan (Member)

Mr. Sunny Tang - Canada (Member)

Mr. Ang Mong Seng - Singapore (Member)

Mr. Mahdi Alinejad – Iran (Member)

Mr. Riccardo Sangrigoli – Italy (Member)

Mr. Abdurrahman Akyuz – Turkey (Member)

Ms. Daria Tarasova – Russia (Member)



AGENDA ITEM 9. IWUF New Membership

The Congress agreed to accept Gambia and Mozambique as IWUF official members and Serbia as IWUF provisional member.

AGENDA ITEM 10. Briefings on issues approved by the IWUF EB Meeting

IWUF Secretary General Liu Beijian briefed the Congress the IWUF competitions to be held in 2014 approved by the IWUF Executive Board.

10.1 The 7th Sanda World Cup:

As the venue of has not been finalized. The notification will be sent to all the IWUF members once it is finalized.

10.2 The 6th World Traditional Wushu Championships

The Championships will be held in Anhui Province, China in 2014.

10.3 The 5th World Junior Wushu Championships

It will be held in Antalya, Turkey in 2014. The 3rd Set of International Competition Routines will be applied in the Junior Wushu Championships. Only athletes of Group A are eligible for the Nanjing 2014 Youth Wushu Tournament.

10.4 Nanjing 2014 Youth Wushu Tournament

The Wushu Tournament will last for 3 days, within August 16 to 24, the period when the Youth Olympic Games will be held. The dates of the Wushu Tournament will be notified to all the participants once they are finalized. Only top 6 place winners of the A Group taolu competition and top 8 place winners of sanda competition of the 5th World Junior Wushu Championships will be qualified for the Nanjing Tournament. The total number of participants is 200. The number of athletes is 120, including 20 wild cards of taolu. The number of technical officials is 40 and number of team officials is 40.

10.5 1st World Taijiquan Championships

The event will be held in Chengdu, the "City of Taiji", in China, in November, 2014.



AGENDA ITEM 11. Dates and place of the 13th World Wushu Championships and the Congress

Mr. Kusuma Supandi, President of Indonesia Wushu Association made a presentation to the Congress. In his report, he recollected the efforts the Indonesia Wushu Association have made for wushu movement and the achievements it has reached. The Association hosted the 2nd World Junior Wushu Championships in 2008 with great success. With the support from its National Olympic Committee and Ministry of Youth and Sport, Mr. Supandi is convinced the next Championships will be organized with success.

The Congress approved the 13th World Wushu Championships and the IWUF Congress would be held in Jakarta, Indonesia in 2015.

AGENDA ITEM 12. Other Matters

None