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Minutes of the ATF EB Enlarged Meeting

(August 19th 2023 Astana, Kazakhstan)

△ **Date:** Aug. 19th 2023

△ **Time:** From 15:55 to 17:20

△ **Venue:** Meeting Hall, Qazakhstan Track & Field Stadium, Astana, Kazakhstan

△ **Participants:**

EB Members: President Mr. Kim Myong Gun

Vice-President GM Tan Chek Si

Vice President GM Rajendran Balan

Secretary General Master Sonu Chol

Chairman of Ethic & Disciplinary Com. Master Abdurahiman Magalassery

Ordinary EB Member Master Pak Chong Hyon

Ordinary EB Member Master Aydrogy Atabayev

Ordinary EB Member Master Anjan Dhamala

56 Representatives from 24 NGBs

DPR Korea, China, Malaysia, India, Philippines, UAE, Mongolia, Japan, Kazakhstan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan, Kyrgyzstan, Hong Kong China, Nepal, Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Lebanon, Iran, Iraq, Sri Lanka, Bahrein, Saudi Arabia, Russia

ITF Representatives: ITF President Prof. Ri Yong Son

1. One minute silent tribute to the Late Gen. Choi Hong Hi

Before opening the ATF EB Enlarged Meeting, Mr. Kim Myong Gun, ATF President proposed to pay one minute silent tribute to the late Gen. Choi Hong Hi, the Founder of TKD, and done.

Under the assignment of the ATF President Mr. Kim Myong Gun, ATF Secretary General Master Sonu Chol presided over this meeting.

2. Welcome Address by the ATF President

Mr. Kim Myong Gun, the President of ATF gave a welcome address to the participants.

At his address, first of all, he, on behalf of ATF, extended his warm greetings to all the EB Members, NGB representatives who attended the ATF EB Enlarged Meeting sound and healthy, having braved all the trials and challenges for the past three-odd-years of global health crisis

The President expressed his sincere gratitude to Prof. Ri Yong Son, President of ITF, for his constant and close attention to the strengthened development of ATF.

And he extended his gratitude to Mr. Yerlan Issekeshv, President of the Kazakhstan ITF, and to the members of the Organizing Committee of the 22nd TWC, who have exerted all their efforts to ensure the successful holding of ATF Executive Board Enlarged Meeting.

The President was confident that this meeting would serve as an occasion for all EB Members and the leadership of respective NGBs to fulfil their responsibilities and roles in building a stronger ATF by reminding themselves of their duty and pooling their strength and wisdom in coming years, so that they could render an active contribution to the building of a stronger organization.

To the end, he wished the meeting would have a great result with attendants' positive participation in it.

3. Welcome Address by ITF President

Prof. Ri Yong Son, ITF President made the congratulatory speech on behalf of the ITF.

ITF President Prof. RI Yong Son, on behalf of the ITF, warmly welcomed all ATF EB Members and NGB Representatives who took part in the ATF EB Enlarged Meeting and expressed his sincere gratitude to all Taekwon-Doists in ITF across the globe for keeping themselves safe & secure during the past three years of the unexpected global health crisis due to the covid-19 pandemic.

4. Roll Call

Master Sonu Chol took a roll call and confirmed the attendants and reported to the ATF President.

The President informed that 8 EB Members out of 12 EB Members and 56 members from 24 NGBs as observers were present and ITF President Prof. Ri Yong Son as the ITF delegate attended the meeting.

The President declared the ATF EB Enlarged Meeting open as the meeting met the requirements of quorum stipulated in the ATF Constitution.

5. Approval of Agenda

Master Sonu Chol asked the participants for their views on the agenda of this Meeting.

Decision;

The Agenda of the ATF EB Enlarged Meeting was unanimously approved.

6. Approval of the Minutes of ATF EB Meeting held in China in Nov. 2019

Master Sonu Chol reminded that the Minutes of the ATF EB Meeting held in China on 19th. Nov. 2019 were already distributed to the members of the ATF by e-mail and there has been nothing any opinion.

Master Sonu Chol asked the participants for their views on the minutes of the ATF EB Meeting.

Decision:

The Minutes of the ATF EB Meeting held in China in Nov. 2019 was passed unanimously.

7. Report of ATF President

The President made a report on the activity of ATF HQ has done from after the ATF EB Meeting held in Nov. 2019 until now.

First, he, on behalf of the ATF, warmly welcomed all the participants attending the ATF EB Enlarged Meeting held in Astana, Kazakhstan and expressed his sincere gratitude to all EB members, Presidents and representatives of the NGBs and Taekwon-Do practitioners for their active efforts to the strengthening and development of original Taekwon-Do in Asia.

He mentioned that since the last ATF EB meeting in China in Nov. 2019, the Taekwon-Do activities in almost all Asian countries have been confronted with great difficulties and obstacles due to the unexpected global health crisis over the last three years, and however, the ATF has streamlined its working system and continued with its activities in collaboration with the EB members and the respective NGBs.

Firstly, he mentioned that the ATF has constantly collaborated with its EB members.

The President mentioned that the Federation has maintained regular contacts with the EB members through exchange of information via international telephone service and e-mail on a monthly basis, and it has also kept regular track of the global health crisis and the pandemic situation in Asia.

He continued to mention that this process has enabled the ATF to get firsthand information on the overall Taekwon-Do activities in Asia and conduct a regular brainstorming session to collect constructive ideas that would help future activities of the Federation, and this process has served as the momentum to ensure the EB members to fulfill their responsible jobs.

He highly appreciated that ATF Vice-Presidents GM Tan Chek Si and GM Rajendran Balan always conscious of their positions as Vice-Presidents of the federation, have kept a regular and close contact with the ATF Secretariat and came up with timely and constructive ideas in favor of the activities and development of the organization, and thus they have rendered such active contributions to the strengthening and development of the ATF.

And the President mentioned that Master Hossein Farid Sabbagh, Chairman of the Publishing & Information Committee, Master Abdurahiman Manglassery, Chairman of the Ethic & Disciplinary Committee, Master Ri Chol Nam, Chairman of the Technical Committee and Mr. Zhang Guang Jun, Chairman of the Financial and Marketing Committee, with a strong sense of duty, they have ensured the plain sailing of their activities, always in close contact with the Secretariat.

The President expressed his heartfelt thanks to GM Tan Chek Si and GM Rajendran Balan, Vice-Presidents of the ATF, for their unfailing contact with the Secretariat and especially for their unreserved advice and support helpful to the activities and development of the Federation. Such resourcefulness is derived from their high consciousness of their important position – Vice-President of the ATF.

Secondly, he mentioned that the ATF, drawing on its correct annual work plan, has established

a well-organized system of guidance over the Taekwon-Do activities in Asia under regular contacts with the respective NGBs. All this gives a further boost to the work of the ATF.

The President mentioned that the Federation has done a series of works to develop Taekwon-Do in Asia, keeping regular contacts with the NGBs.

He mentioned that the NGBs of India, Malaysia, Nepal, Tajikistan, Afghanistan, Uzbekistan, the Philippines, Iran, Mongolia and the UAE organized without interruption various Taekwon-Do events in conformity with their specific conditions, such as Online Pattern Competitions and technical courses, further enhancing Taekwon-Do techniques and fulfilling their roles as active NGBs.

And the President mentioned that the ATF timely sent out official notices to all EB members and NGBs affiliated with the Federation regarding the discussions and decisions made at the EB in due consideration of the persistent global health crisis: postponing of the 10th Asian Taekwon-Do Championships that had been scheduled to be held in China; designation of time and venue of the postponed Asian Taekwon-Do Championships to be discussed at the ATF EB meeting during the 22nd ITF TWC taking place in Kazakhstan in 2023.

And the President mentioned that in order to include the Taekwon-Do events in the South East Asian Games that takes place in Cambodia in 2023, the Federation, in active collaboration with the ITF and the Cambodia ITF since 2022, has done its unremitting work dozens of times to encourage the ATF EB members and Presidents of the South East Asian NGBs to actively push forward with their works with the National Olympic Committee of the relevant country, the main impediment to the inclusion of Taekwon-Do Tournament in the SEA Games.

The President mentioned that despite the persisting difficulties generated from the pandemic, the Federation demanded that all the NGBs carry out their activities strictly in compliance with the Constitutions of ITF and ATF and to thoroughly and timely execute the instructions of the ITF through the process of distributing and redistributing the instructions issued by the ITF HQ among the Asian NGBs and checking the relevant status of execution.

The President mentioned that the Federation regularly issued the ATF Newsletters and posted relevant information on the ATF website, thus consolidating the Federation's work.

The President mentioned that with the onset of global health crisis, the TKD activities in Asia have become very sluggish. However, the Federation has fulfilled its mission and role as an active organization by issuing and distributing the ATF Newsletter to all NGBs on a quarterly basis, holding it as one of the important undertakings of the Federation. We also regularly and responsibly posted major Federation news and other Taekwon-Do activities on the ATF website.

The President expressed his gratitude on behalf of the ATF to Master Hossein Farid Sabbagh, Chairman of the Publishing & Information Committee, for his active efforts, who is working hard with a high sense of mission entrusted upon him.

Next, the President mentioned that the ATF has succeeded in forming the Central Asian Federation in Asia and holding regional tournaments.

He mentioned that the Federation worked out an elaborate working plan since 2021. In close contact with Grand Master Mirsaid Yakhyaev, President of the Tajikistan ITF, the ATF meticulously arranged a video-conference involving all representatives from the Central Asian countries - Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan and Kirghizstan - and officially announced the organization of the Central Asian Taekwon-Do Federation on March 20, 2022. Following the organization, the 1st Central Asian Taekwon-Do Championship was held in a grand style from March 17 to 19 at the Yunusabad sports complex in Tashkent, Uzbekistan with the participation of 547 people - 372 competitors from Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Kazakhstan,

Kyrgyzstan and Turkmenistan, plus Judges and Officials.

Also, the President mentioned that the 7th South Asian Taekwon-Do Championship was held successfully from August 4 to 6 in Hyderabad, south of India, with the participation of over 380 competitors from 6 countries.

The President expressed his sincere gratitude to GM Mirsaid Yakhyaev, President of the CATF and Tajikistan ITF, and Master Laziz Khasanov, President of Uzbekistan ITF for their active contributions to the successful holding of the 1st Central Asian Taekwon-Do Championship; and to GM Rajendran Balan, Vice-President of the ATF and President of the SATF, without whom the success of the 7th South Asian Taekwon-Do Championship cannot be thought of.

The President mentioned that the NGBs of India, Malaysia, the UAE, Tajikistan and Nepal, in close contact with the ATF, organized and carried out in a significant manner the National Championships and other various events in memory of the Founder Gen. Choi Hong Hi, and thus demonstrated their sense of moral obligation as disciples of Gen. Choi Hong Hi, the Founder of Taekwon-Do.

He highly appreciated that GM Tan Chek Si, Vice-President of the ATF, carried out organizational work according to the meticulous annual work plan of the Malaysian ITF and successfully organized the Technical Courses, National Instructor's Courses and National Taekwon-Do Championships, and GM Tan Chek Si has made active contributions, in particular, to the expansion of the organization by including hundreds of other organization members into the ranks of original Taekwon-Do, and also made positive contributions to the strengthening of position of the ITF Pilipinas Taekwon-Do and enhancing of their Taekwon-Do technique by guiding, at the kind invitation of the ITF Pilipinas Taekwon-Do, the 3rd International Taekwon-Do Technical Seminar and the Congress of the ITF Pilipinas Taekwon-Do, which took place between May 12 to 15 in the capital city, Manila.

And the President expressed his gratitude to Master Graham Moulden, President of the Thailand ITF and Master Laziz Khasanov, President of the Uzbekistan ITF for proactively and voluntarily conducting public service activities with the pride and honour of Taekwon-Doists.

The President mentioned that in the DPR Korea, the cradle of Taekwon-Do, annual Taekwon-Do events were observed on significant occasions despite the serious public health crisis. Among them are the memorial ceremony of Gen. Choi Hong Hi, Day of the Naming of Taekwon-Do and the ITF foundation day function. Such were the occasions demonstrating the honour of the cradle of Taekwon-Do. They also served as momentum of creating an atmosphere of practicing Taekwon-Do.

The President emphasized that we shall have to organize more of the national, regional and international tournament to promote mutual and multi-lateral friendship and unity, improve Taekwon-Do techniques and thus contributing to the strengthening of the Federation.

The President mentioned that while the ATF's work has achieved the above mentioned successes, we have yet to overcome deplorable practices of certain EB members who are totally neglecting their responsible role, an act unworthy of an ATF EB member.

Not to mention that some EB members did not report their work to the ATF Secretariat on a regular basis, some others failed even to make contacts with the Secretariat altogether and answered rather reluctantly only after sending many reminders. And some other EB members and Chairmen of Standing Committees, oblivious of their responsible positions, completely neglected their duties.

The President mentioned that certain NGBs failed to report regularly to the Secretariat on their activities or hardly ever contacted the Secretariat; some other NGBs did not abide by the

Constitution and resolutions of the Congress by failing to meet the annual November deadline when they are supposed to send the respective annual work plans to the Secretariat; and the participation rate in the 22nd ITF Taekwon-Do World Championships shows that some Asian NGBs do not have the slightest scruple about their failure to send even a single competitor or a delegate to the Championships. These are the defects and shortcomings that have occurred during the period under review.

He emphasized that such shortcomings, he believed, have resulted from not realizing the responsibilities and obligations as EB Members and NGB leadership, he asked all members to reflect upon themselves through this meeting and do their best to do their duties.

To the conclude his speech, the President expected all EB members and NGB leaderships should always be highly conscious of their heavy responsibility laid upon their own shoulders and discharge their obligations befitting their position for the strengthening and development of the ITF and ATF.

8. Report of the EB Members (if any)

No raised.

9. Dismissal & Appointment of some EB Members

The President mentioned that the ATF Constitution stipulates that the term of office of all EB members and Chairpersons of the Standing Committees is 4 years. According to this provision, reappointment to those positions was to be made at the 10th ATF Congress in 2022, 4 years after the previous appointment at the 9th Congress in Mongolia, 2018. However, the 10th Congress had to be called off in the year 2022, due to the global health crisis that you are all aware of, and therefore, discussion of election and appointment of the entire EB members and Chairpersons of the Standing Committees will be postponed to the 10th Congress due in the year 2024, and today, we will discuss the election, dismissal and appointment of certain EB members and the Standing Committee members only.

The President mentioned that GM Tan Chek Si of Malaysia and GM Rajendran Balan of India have truly made significant contribution to the development and dissemination of original Taekwon-Do in Asia and is convinced that thanks to these two figures, the ATF would be further strengthened and developed and therefore he proposed once again GM Tan Chek Si and GM Rajendran Balan for the position of EB member and Vice-President of ATF.

Decision:

GM Tan Chek Si and GM Rajendran Balan were elected as Vice-Presidents of the ATF with unanimous approval of the participants.

The President appointed some members of EB and Standing Committee as follows;

- The President appointed GM Son Song Gun of the DPR Korea as a EB member and the Chairman of the Umpire Committee, the position that was currently vacant.
- The President appointed Master Lee Sock Cheng of Malaysia as a EB member and the Chairperson of the newly organized Anti-Doping Committee.
- The President dismissed and appointed some members of the Standing Committees.
 - Mr. Yun Jin of the DPR Korea was appointed as Vice-Chairman of the Anti-Doping Committee.
 - GM Mirsaid Yakhyayev, President of Tajikistan ITF and CATF was appointed as Vice-Chairman of the Expansion Committee.

- Master Yuri Pak of Kazakhstan was dismissed from the position of Expansion Committee member and Mr. Yerlan Issekeshov, President of the Kazakhstan ITF was appointed as member of Expansion Committee.
- Mr. Daler Tyuryaev of Tajikistan was dismissed from the position of the Technical Committee member and Instructor Kim Jin Song of the DPR Korea was appointed to that position.
- Mr. Pak Un Chol of the DPR Korea was dismissed from the position of the Publishing & Information Committee member and Mr. Ri Jong Min of the DRPK, editor of the periodical “Taekwon-Do in Asia” was appointed to that position.
- Mr. Hong Ki Chan of the DPR Korea currently the member of the Financial & Marketing Committee was appointed as Vice-Chairman of the Financial & Marketing Committee.

Decision;

Above people were appointed in their posts with unanimous approval of the participants.

The President, on behalf of ATF, warmly congratulated the newly elected and appointed members and expected them to fulfil their duty to the strengthening and development of ATF with a high sense of responsibility.

10. Amendment of ATF Constitution and By-Laws

The President proposed the amendments of the ATF Constitution & By-Laws.

(Black is old version & Red is the revised version)

- The President proposed revision of the clause 2.1 of Article 14 that now stipulates “The Executive Board is composed of 14 members consisting of 11 ex-officio EB members, including the President, 2 Vice-Presidents, Secretary General, 7 Chairpersons of Standing Committees, and 3 or 4 simple members.” as “**The Executive Board is composed of 15 members consisting of 12 ex-officio EB members, including the President, 2 Vice-Presidents, Secretary General, 8 Chairpersons of Standing Committees, and 3 simple members.**”.

- He also proposed revision of Article 18: it should be changed the number of Standing Committees from 7 to **8, the new Standing Committee being the Anti-Doping Committee.**

He informed that it’s mandatory that all sports organizations be affiliated with the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) and all international competitions are held in strict compliance with the anti-doping regulations established by the WADA, and currently the ITF has already affiliated itself with the WADA and will conduct the competitions according to the anti-doping demands regulated by WADA, starting from the 22nd ITF TWC.

The President stressed that as the ATF is one of the Continental Federations affiliated with the ITF, in the future, all international competitions sponsored by the ATF must, without exception, thoroughly abide by the requirements of Anti-Doping Regulations.

The President proposed that in due reflection of the ITF demands and the developing reality, the ATF plans to revise its Constitution and change the number of Standing Committees from 7 to 8, including the to-be-organized Anti-Doping Committee.

1. Technical Committee
2. Tournament Committee
3. Umpire Committee
4. Publishing & Information Committee

5. Expansion Committee

6. Financial and Marketing Committee

7. Ethic & Disciplinary Committee

8. Anti-Doping Committee

- The President proposed revising the Article 22 “The Asian Taekwon-Do Championships (ATC), in which the Adult & Junior Championships shall be held at the same time, shall be held every 2 years.” to “**The Asian Taekwon-Do Championships (ATC), in which the Adult, Junior & Veteran Championships shall be held at the same time, shall be held every 2 years.**”.

The President emphasized that accordingly, GM Rajendran Balan, Chairman of the Tournament Committee and President of the India ITF, the hosting country of the 10th ATC, would elaborate the guidelines regarding the participants according the newly revised Constitution.

- Next, he proposed to revise the By-Laws to Article 25 “The Organizing Committee shall, in the tournament guidelines, put a special emphasis on requesting the NGBs to bring with them 2 national flags in designated size and a CD of their national anthem to the Championships.” to “**The Organizing Committee shall, in the tournament guidelines, put a special emphasis on requesting the NGBs to bring with them 2 national flags in designated size and an electronic storage media of their national anthem to the Championships.**”.

- And he proposed to revise the clause 7 of Article 33 “The Mission of the Regional Federations is to fight against the use of substances” to “**The Mission of the Regional Federations is to fight against the use of Prohibited Substances and Methods published by the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) while adhering to the anti-doping regulations of the ITF.**”

Decision:

The proposal of amendment of ATF Constitution and By-Laws was unanimously passed.”

11. Decision of Place & Dates for the 10th ATC and the 10th ATF Congress to be held in 2024

The President reminded that one of the most important issues to be discussed and decided at this EB Enlarged Meeting was the designation of time and venue of the 10th Asian Taekwon-Do Championships, and the 10th Asian Taekwon-Do Championships, originally scheduled to be held in China in 2020 at the decision of the 9th ATF Congress in Mongolia, had to be called off due to the global health crisis, and afterwards, following the agreement of the EB members, we planned to hold the Championships in India either in the second half of 2020 or in the year 2022 considering the situation of the global health crisis, and however, we couldn't make it because of the impact of the continuing health crisis.

The President mentioned that now that the global public health emergency state has been terminated, all mass sporting events are held without restrictions, and therefore we planed to hold the 10th ATC in 2024.

The President informed that when the 10th ATC in China was cancelled in 2020, the India ITF soon applied for the hosting of the event. After the relevant discussions and decisions made among the EB members, it was confirmed that the 10th ATC would be held in India, and in the e-mail sent by the India ITF on February 20, 2023, India ITF has reconfirmed their willingness to host the 10th ATC by sending us official proposal, and up to now, India is the only country that has applied for the hosting of the 10th ATC.

The President informed that the India ITF has rich experience in successfully organizing the

numerous international and national championships including the 3rd ATC in the past time, and therefore we are convinced that the India ITF would arrange the 10th ATC in such a way as to meet the expectations and desires of the Taekwon-Doists of Asia.

The President officially proposed that the next year's the 10th ATC be held in India.

Master Sonu Chol asked the EB members for their views on the hosting of the 10th ATC and the 10th ATF Congress to be held in Aug. 2024 in India.

Decision:

It was decided to host the 10th Asian Taekwon-Do Championships and the 10th ATF Congress in India in August 2024 with unanimous approval of the participants.

The President emphasized that since the time and venue of the competition has been finally confirmed today, the India ITF should arrange and make all the preparations regarding the Championships strictly abiding by the ATF Constitution, and the India ITF should organize the Tournament Organizing Committee at an early date, develop an elaborate work plan and make all the preparations scrupulously.

He mentioned the Organizing Committee should complete the guidelines regarding the Championships in close contact with Master Sonu Chol, Secretary General of ATF, and receive the approval of ATF HQ, and make necessary preparations for sending it out to all NGBs at least 6 months prior to the 10th ATC.

The President emphasized especially to GM Rajendran Balan that the Organizing Committee should maintain active contact with the relevant Asian countries and conduct negotiation activities for invitation in close contact with Secretary General Master Sonu Chol, and should invite Master Sonu Chol at least one month before the start of the Championships as the expense of the Organizing Committee so that he could meticulously inspect the preparation status on the spot.

The President expressed the expectation that the India ITF, in the light of its past experiences, would prepare the 10th ATC at the highest level.

12. Active Participation of Asian Countries in the 10th ATC and the Work Assignment of EB Members

The President mentioned that if the 10th ATC to be held in India next year is to be held successfully, due preparation is necessary, but what matters more is securing of participating countries and persons to the maximum.

The President mentioned that the participation rate of the Asian countries in the Asian championships and ITF TWC stands out in contrast with the European Championships in terms of the number of participating countries and people.

He mentioned that the coming Asian Championship will be held in almost 4 years since the previous one, due to the impact of the malignant pandemic that has inflicted incalculable suffering on the people.

The President called on all of them to adorn the next page in the annals of ATF with the best Championships ever involving more than 700 Taekwon-Doists from over 20 countries and regions.

The President proposed the work assignment to EB members regarding active participation of Asian Countries in the 10th ATC.”

The work assignment for EB members at this meeting are as follows;

ATF Vice President GM Tan Chek Si;

As Vice-President of ATF, he will supervise the overall work regarding the 10th ATC in close contact with Sec. Gen. Master Sonu Chol, and, as Vice-President of the Southeast Asian Taekwon-Do Federation, will ensure that the NGBs in South East Asia - Singapore, the Philippines, Indonesia, Thailand, Vietnam, etc. participate in the 10th ATC.

GM Tan Chek Si will also be responsible for organizing a new association in Syria and make sure that they participate in the upcoming Asian Championship.

ATF Vice President GM Rajendran Balan;

As Vice-President of ATF and Chairperson of the Tournament Organizing Committee, he will be responsible for ensuring the work of the Organizing Committee be done according to the Constitution of ATF as well as for handling the issues related to the application of visas and participation of the tournament while maintaining close contacts with the Secretary General. He will also ensure the participation of the South Asian NGBs, such as Bangladesh, Afghanistan, Sri Lanka, etc.

EB member GM Son Song Gun;

As Chairperson of the Umpire Committee, he will make detailed arrangements with the Organizing Committee prior to the tournament to avoid any deviation in the work of the Umpire Committee and will organize and conduct the Umpire Course before the start of the tournament.

EB member Master Ri Chol Nam;

As Chairperson of the Technical Committee, he will organize and conduct the Taekwon-Do technical courses before the start of the tournament in collaboration with the Chairperson of the Umpire Committee.

EB member Master Hossein Farid Sabbagh;

He will touch base with the countries in Arab region such as Iran, Iraq and Saudi Arabia, etc. and organize new NGBs in those countries and ensure their participation in the Asian Championship.

EB member Mr. Zhang Guang Jun;

He will contact the NGBs of China, Hong Kong, Taipei and Macao and ensure their participation in the Asian Championship.

EB member Master Abdurahiman Manglassery;

Besides his work as Chairperson of the Ethic & Disciplinary Committee in the Championship, he will ensure the participation of the NGBs of UAE and Lebanon in the Asian Championship.

EB member Master Aydogdy Atabayev;

He will contact Tartar and organize a new NGB there, and ensure the participation of Turkmenistan and Tartar in the Asian Championship.

EB member Master Pak Chong Hyon;

He will participate more actively in the work of ATF as a EB member and ensure the participation of the Japan in the Asian Championship.

EB member Mr. Anjan Dhamala;

As EB member, he will enhance your role while taking initiative in making contacts with the South Asian countries, and ensure the participation of Nepal and Pakistan in the Asian Championship.

EB member Master Keo Remy;

As Chairman of the Expansion Committee and President of the Southeast Asian TKD Federation, he will ensure the participation of all the NGBs of the Southeast Asian region in the 10th Asian TKD Championships.

EB member Master Lee Sock Cheng;

As Chairperson of the Anti-Doping Committee, she, while contacting all the Asian countries, will take proper steps by informing all the participants in advance of the necessary provisions so as to let them strictly observe the anti-doping regulations and demands, and be responsible for addressing the issues that may arise in the anti-doping work on spot in close contact with the Organizing Committee.

The President mentioned all EB members must bear a high sense of responsibility that they are absolutely responsible for the NGBs assigned to oneself and keep in constant touch with the assigned NGBs, and ensure the participation of not only the delegates of the respective NGBs, but also their competitors in the next year's 10th ATC, and everyone must make all of his or her possible efforts to maximize contacts with the countries of our organizations and review the execution of their respective assignments in the EB meeting that will be held before the 10th ATF Congress, inclusive of creating new NGBs before next year's 10th ATC.

The President emphasized that every EB member must be always conscious of one's responsibility and make a substantial contribution to the strengthening and development of ATF with one's tangible results.

13. Actively Supporting the Re-election of ITF President Prof. Ri Yong Son at the 28th ITF Congress

The President mentioned regarding the matter of actively support the Re-election of ITF President Prof. Ri Yong Son at the 28th ITF Congress.

The President informed that the 28th ITF Congress, which will be held next day, will hold elections for the EB members of the ITF, including ITF President.

The President continued to mention that ITF President Prof. Ri Yong Son has worked for a long time in the ITF HQ together with Gen. Choi Hong Hi, Founder of Taekwon-Do, and enjoyed everyone's respect for his proficient work ability and leadership. Therefore, according to the will of Gen. Choi Hong Hi, the ITF confirmed Prof. Ri Yong Son to be the only successor to the post of President of the ITF, worthy of leading the organization, and in the 25th ITF Congress held in Bulgaria in 2015, Prof. Ri Yong Son was unanimously elected as the ITF President according to the unanimous desire of all Taekwon-Doists.

The President mentioned that while working as ITF President, he has done everything in his power to transform the ITF into a robust international organization with capacity for organization and unity and he is now highly respected by all Taekwon-Doists for having dedicated himself to the strengthening and development of the ITF, and in recognition of his work, everyone chose him as the only candidate for ITF President, and expects him to be reelected as the ITF President.

The President, on behalf of ATF, expressed his full support to Prof. Ri Yong Son for his

reelection as the ITF President in the coming ITF Congress, and the President also convinced that not only the EB members of ATF, but all delegates of the ATF NGBs gathered there will give a full support to Prof. Ri Yong Son in this matter.

Finally, the President kindly proposed that Executive Board make a decision to send full support of all NGBs in Asia to the reelection of Prof. Ri Yong Son as ITF President.”

Master Sonu Chol asked all the participants for their views on actively support the re-election of the only candidate Prof. Ri Yong Son as ITF President.

Decision;

It was unanimously decided to actively support the reelection of Prof. Ri Yong Son as the ITF President.

- Actively supporting China ITF as the candidate for hosting the 24th ITF TWC to be held in 2027 at the 28th ITF Congress

The President made a speech regarding actively supporting China ITF as the candidate for hosting the 24th ITF TWC in 28th ITF Congress.

The President informed that the 28th ITF Congress which will be held the next day, will decide on the hosting country of the 24th ITF TWC to be held in 2027, reminding Asian countries that the China ITF has already submitted a formal hosting application to the ITF.

The President mentioned that the 22nd ITF TWC was planned to be held in China in 2021 by the decision of the ITF Congress, but, due to the global health crisis, it came to be held in Kazakhstan instead of China, and the relief of the global emergency situation today made it possible for China to hold all international sporting events without any restriction. He mentioned that China ITF has gained rich experiences in successfully organizing international events in the past such as the North East Asian Championship, and it has all the conditions to hold the Championship at the highest level, and in particular, China is on a favorable ground for the Asian countries to participate in terms of travel conditions and means, and geographical conditions.

The President proposed to all the representatives of ATF NGBs to give one voice in actively supporting China, standing as a candidate to host the 24th ITF TWC to be held in 2027.

And the President hoped all Asian countries to demonstrate the unity of ATF by giving active support to the candidates for the leadership of the ITF that were selected from Asia in the 28th ITF Congress.

No opinion was presented.

14. Venue for the 8th SATC to be held in 2024

The President informed that GM Rajendran Balan, President of the SATF, brought before us the proposal to hold the 8th South Asian Taekwon-Do Championship on Aug. 9th - 11th Aug. in 2025, and as we find no objection to this, the President approved to hold the Championship on Aug. 9th - 11th Aug. in 2025, as has been proposed.

15. Venue for the 2nd SEATC to be held in 2024

The President informed that in the SEATF meeting convened in Oct. 2019 in Cambodia, it was decided to hold the 2nd Southeast Asian Taekwon-Do Championship in the second week of Oct. 2020, but in that period, no country could hold collective events due to the global health crisis, and therefore, in this meeting, we had a plan to fix the date and venue of the 2nd SEATC but due to the inability of the President of SEATF Master Keo Remy, to participate

in this meeting, the President entrusted GM Tan Chek Si to contact with Master Keo Remy as soon as possible to confirm the date and venue of the 2nd SEATC and inform the ATF HQ.

16. Venue for the 2nd CATC to be held in 2024

The President informed that on March 20th, 2022, we organized the new Central Asian Taekwon-Do Federation by convening a videoconference under the participation of 5 Central Asian countries, and from March 16th to 19th of this year, the 1st Central Asian Taekwon-Do Championship was successfully organized in Tashkent, Uzbekistan.

The President entrusted GM Mirsaid Yakhyaev, President of the CATF to inform the ATF HQ through Master Sonu Chol after confirming the date and venue of the 2nd CATC.

The President highlighted a few points as follows;

The strengthening of the regional federation immediately means the strengthening of ATF.

The close cooperation and exchange between the NGBs in Asia has a great significance in further strengthening the regional federation and furthermore the ATF as well as in promoting the friendship and ties between the Asian countries and enhancing the techniques of Taekwon-Do.

The Presidents of the regional TKD federations must be fully aware of the importance of their mission and organize the regional tournaments in a planned way, and in that process, transform such events into important occasions of further strengthening the regional federations.

The President particularly emphasized on the fact that the regional federation Presidents would need to kindly invite Master Sonu Chol, Secretary General of ATF, on behalf of ATF's leadership, to the regional tournaments at the expenses of the hosting country.

And the President continued to mention that it is imperative for us to organize the 2nd Northeast Asian Taekwon-Do Championship.

The President entrusted Mr. Zhang Guang Jun, President of the China ITF to discuss and confirm as soon as possible the venue and date of the 2nd Northeast Asian Taekwon-Do Championship through close contact with Master Sonu Chol, Sec. Gen. of ATF, and submit it to the ATF HQ.

17. Venue for the Next ATF EB Meeting

The President informed that the venue to be held next ATF EB Meeting shall be held during the 10th ATC to be held in India in 2024.

18. AOB

- The issue of accepting the Russian ITF as a member of the ATF

The President made a speech regarding accepting the Russian ITF as a member of the ATF.

The President informed that the Russia Taekwon-Do Federation, which was a member of the Europe Taekwon-Do Federation, cannot participate in its activities due to various conditions. Such being the case, Russia Taekwon-Do Federation has suggested to the ITF to allow it to participate in the activities of the Asia Taekwon-Do Federation including the Asian Championship by joining the ATF. According to the Constitution of ATF, the Russia Far East Region ITF has participated in the Asian Taekwon-Do Championships up until now.

The President informed that the Russia Taekwon-Do Federation is now unable to participate in any Taekwon-Do activity organized by the European TKD Federation even though it is a

member of the Europe Taekwon-Do Federation. The President mentioned that under such circumstances, he doesn't think it will be problematic for the Russia Taekwon-Do Federation to join the ATF and participate in its activities.

The President agreed to the proposal made by the Russia Taekwon-Do Federation to join ATF, and he mentioned the ITF President also gave a full support to this.

The President proposed to temporarily accept the Russia Taekwon-Do Federation as a member of the ATF, as proposed by the Russian Taekwon-Do Federation.

Decision;

The proposal to temporarily accept the Russian ITF as a member of the ATF has been passed with unanimous approval.

- The issue of accepting the NGBs of Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, Syria, Oman, Palestine and Yemen as new members of the ATF

The President informed that the delegates from Iraq, Oman, Palestine, Saudi Arabia and Yemen in Asia have participated in the current Championship for the first time, and mentioned that according to the Constitution of ATF, an NGB can become a member of the ATF from the moment when its affiliation with the ITF is decided at the ITF EB meeting.

The President kindly invited all of participants to congratulate with a big applause the Iraq, Oman, Palestine, Saudi Arabia and Yemen NGBs that are joining the ATF.

- The issue regarding the application of 7th Dan-9th Dan certificates to the ITF HQ under the permission of the ATF

The President informed that in the ITF EB meeting that was held in videoconferencing mode on May 27th 2023, it was discussed and decided that in the future, in case that any NGB applies for Dan certificates of above 7th Degree to ITF, after the ITF receives the application for the Dan Certificates of 7th Degree and higher from the NGBs, ITF should consult with the relevant Continental Federation to confirm its authenticity.

The President emphasized that ATF should fully comply with this regulation.

- The issue of full compliance with Anti-Doping regulations

The President mentioned that the ITF, as a member affiliated to the WADA, is requiring that, from this Championship on, all participants of ITF Championships must strictly abide by the anti-doping regulations.

The President stressed that the ATF too, must strictly abide by the anti-doping regulations just as the ITF, beginning from the next year's 10th Asian TKD Championships.

◦ **First, the President informed that just like the 22nd ITF TWC, we will conduct doping tests beginning from the next year's 10th Asian TKD Championships.**

◦ **Testing distribution plan in competition**

We will conduct doping tests of the winners of Adult Category Sparring and Power Competitions, both male and female.

◦ **ADEL[Anti-Doping Education and Learning] Certificates**

All competitors and coaches except the Veteran Category must obligatorily possess the ADEL Certificates.

○ **The President informed the following;**

The Organizing Committee of the 10th Asian TKD Championships will select a laboratory approved or recognized by the WADA that is located in the territory of the hosting country or at the nearest possible region, and that the Organizing Committee will bear the expenses for the anti-doping work, such as testing fees, the travelling and living expenses of the anti-doping officials.

Therefore, GM Rajendran Balan, as President of the Organizing Committee of the 10th Asian TKD Championships, must strictly observe the above mentioned issues in the next year's 10th Asian TKD Championships.

In the meantime, Master Lee Sock Cheng, Chairperson of the Anti-Doping Committee must carry out this work responsibly in close contact with the Organizing Committee and, while maintaining regular contacts with the NGBs, Master Lee must carry out her work in closer contact with ATF Sec. Gen. Master Sonu Chol to inform in time the issues regarding anti-doping and take the respective measures.

Accordingly, the Organizing Committee must reflect correctly the detailed particulars regarding anti-doping in the organizing guidelines discussing it with Master Lee Sock Cheng.”

- Award of Writ of Appointment

The President awarded Writ of Appointment to the new elected ATF Vice Presidents GM Tan Chek Si and GM Rajendran Balan and new appointed EB members GM Son Song Gun and Master Lee Sock Cheng and the President of CATF GM Mirsaid Yakhyayev.

Master Sonu Chol asked all participants if there is any opinion to suggest or not.

No opinion was presented.

The President expressed his thanks for the successful holding of the meeting today, which became possible by the active participation of all the participants.

The President emphasized that the responsibility and role of the EB members and leaderships of NGBs gathered here is very important in strengthening the ATF.

He was convinced that all EB members and leaderships of the NGBs, in future, will bear in their minds that the strengthening and development of ATF depends entirely on ourselves and make active efforts for the strengthening and development of ATF, being united under the ideal of original Taekwon-Do.

He also expressed his thanks and respect once again to the EB members and all Taekwon-Doists in Asia.