## **Asian Boules Sport Confederation: Constituent General Assembly**

This CGA was held at the Silka Hotel in Kuala Lumpur on Friday August 25th, 2017. The meeting is opened at 9.45am by Claude Azéma, FIPJP President.

### **Presents:**

FIPJP: Claude Azéma (President) - Suphonnat Lamlert (Vice-President)

Afghanistan: Masoumeh Manoucheri (President)

Bangladesh: Mohammed Mehedi Masud (General Secretary)

Cambodia: In Kim Srun (General Secretary)

Chinese Taipei: Miao Tien-Yu (President)
Iran: Jesem Manoucheri (President)
Japan: Akio Mesugi (Vice-President)

Malaysia: Mohamad Noor Abdul Rahim (President) - Cheah Ban Cheng (General Sec)

Singapore: Anthony Ho (General Secretary) and Terence Liu (Vice-President)

Thailand: Churin Pataradilok (General Secretary) Prarop Thongprathed (Deputy GS)

Vietnam: Doan Tuan Anh (General Secretary) and Dang Suan Vui (Board)

## **Proxies:**

China: Li Shan (General Secretary)
Pakistan: Noushad Ahmed Khan (President)
Nepal: Dr. Devkant Joshi (President)
Inde: Bharat Chauan (General Secretary)

# Member acceptance but not represented:

Brunei

Butan

Lebanon

Mongolia

Philippines

#### **INTRODUCTORY SPEECHES:**

**President AZEMA** gives first the floor to Mme Lamlert to read un message from Mr Charouck Arirachakaran, Vice-President of the Olympic Council of Asia, OCA, who'll arrive into KL only on Saturday. (*This message is in Annex 1*)

Then he warmly thanked the Federation of Malaysia both for the magnificent organisation of the SEA Games competitions in their dedicated venue, and for taking charge of this constitutive meeting.

He briefly recalled the reasons that had led the FIPJP to withdraw any delegation to the APBSC: truncated general assemblies, decisions without quorum, reports not in accordance with the proceedings and refusal to correct them, refusal to convene an extraordinary general meeting which has been requested in accordance with the statutes, will to set up statutes which are not in conformity with the general rules of the world sports movement and of the FIPJP, whereas it had announced the presentation of specific and uniform statutes for all Confederations ...

He read a letter from Mr Shimizu (Japan), APBSC Vice-President, to Mr Eddie Lim, expressing the same feelings and Mr Churin, APBSC General Treasurer, present in the Assembly, agreed.

All the countries were in copy of Mr Meas Sarin letters sent only to some federations and of the answers from President Azéma. It is therefore not worth wasting time to speak about again. Now is the time to work and to install a new organisation with an active Executive Committee and members ready to invest theself so that the Asian Confederation will again function normally and efficiently.

Finally he congratulated the attendees for their participation, in particular the representatives of federations who traveled specially while they were not members of the SEA Games: Japan, Chinese Taipei and three new federations, Iran, Afghanistan and Bangladesh.

#### **STATUTS:**

The members of the Assembly examined, article by article, the text sent by the FIPJP for the future statutes of the ABSC, the amendments proposed since by several federations, and new amendments presented during the discussion.

All were adopted unanimously and the news statutes are in Annex 2 with this report.

However Your attention should be drawn to the following points:

i) The Confederation decided to conform to the OCA division used for the National Olympic Committees in five regions: East Asia (6 countries), South-East Asia (11 countries), South Asia (8 countries), Central Asia (5 countries) and West Asia (13 countries)

#### Consequently:

- If possible, the Executive Committee will have at least one member per region
- Ban on "inventing" zones to organise pseudo championships and to give titles to certain persons as we saw sometimes. Immediate sanction will be exclusion by the Confederation and by the FIPJP for the leaders who would like to set up such institutions and those who would support them.
- ii) About the links with FIPJP:
- Only the Federations members of ABSC will be allowed to participate in the Asian Championships, in qualifying competitions for world multi-sports events such as the World Games, and in the World Championships organised by FIPJP.
- It'll not be possible for an Asian federation to be a member of the FIPJP without belonging to the Confederation, or to belong to the Confederation without being a member of the FIPJP.

#### **DECISIONS:**

- i) The fee will be 200 USD a year and a bank account will be open in Malaysia
- ii) The next Asian Championships will be organised in Bangok (Thailand) for Men qualifiers for the world championships 2018 -, Women and Youth from December 8th to 11<sup>th</sup>. The Thai Federation will accommodate 10 people per federation for the duration of the events.

iii) Ordinary General Assembly and an ABSC Excom will be organised just before this event, on December 7th

#### **ELECTIONS:**

The assembly finally proceed to the election of the members of its Executive Committee which will now be done as for the FIPJP:

- First the election of the President
- Election of the General Secretary and the General Treasurer, proposed by the President
- Election of the Excom members with only one for the same country

All these members will be elected for a four years term, but renewal will be made by half every two years and two posts may be filled at the next general meeting.

A draw will be made during the next General Assembly in Bangkok to determine which of the 6 members of the Executive Committee elected today will have to be renewed in two years (4) and those who will be renewed in 4 years at the same time as the President, the General Secretary and the General Treasurer.

During his next meeting the Excom will also decide the titles and functions of its members and about the creation and the composition of its Commissions which will be open to external members.

#### **Results of the elections:**

Chairman: Tan Sri Dato Seri Mohamad Noor Abdul Rahim (Malaysia)

**Treasurer General**: Cheah Ban Cheng (Malaysia) **Secretary General**: Suphonnat Lamlert (Thailand)

#### **Members**

Miao Tien-Yu (Chinese Taipei) Mohammed Mehedi Masud (Bangladesh) Jesem Manoucheri (Iran) Churin Pataradilok (Thailand) Doan Tuan Anh (Vietnam) Mitsuo Shimizu (Japan)

#### **CONCLUSION**

After some words about the Olympic candidacy of Petanque and Boules Sport, President Azéma warmly thanked the participants in this meeting for the very good work done in an excellent spirit of co-operation and friendliness which augurs well for the functioning of ABSC, and the ABSC President invited everybody to the lunch hosted by the Malaysian Federation.

(The meeting is adjourned at 12.30)