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Hong-Kong
15-18 March 2017**

2017 Statutes, By-Laws and Sporting Code WG

Hotel sav Hong Kong
Wednesday 15th March 2017 08:30 – 12:30

Meeting Minutes

Working Group members present:

Chairman JC Weber (LUX)
Members: Mark Sullivan (USA)
Lindsay Muir (GBR)
Hans Åkerstedt (SWE)
Les Purfield (GBR)
Hiromori Soejima (JPN)

The Agenda was approved by the meeting as presented and the meeting agreed to deal with agenda item #7 under agenda item #2.

1. Additional invitations for organising NACs at CAT1 Events

Ref. item 21.a of the 2016 CIA Plenary Minutes

The WG decided to recommend to not adopt the proposed motion.

2. Event Bidding and Approval Process

The WG decided to recommend

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2. to delete SC S1 rules 5.3.4.1 to 5.3.4.4 and to task the CIA EDS to integrate the Bidding and Approval Process into EDS' "CIA Bidding Checklist and Timetable" documents and to present the resulting documents for approval to the CIA Plenary in 2018.

These amendments to come into force after adoption of the new EDS "CIA Bidding and Timetable" document.

3. S1 Chapter 5 re. NO-SHOWS

The WG decided to recommend

1. to amend SC S1 rule 5.6.6.1 to read: *"An entrant who fails to register in an FAI World Air Games, World- or Continental Championship event and who, without giving valid reason to the event organiser, is absent at the time of the roll call of the General Briefing of the event without having been replaced by another competitor from the same NAC, may be declared a NO-SHOW by the event Jury."*
2. to amend SC S1 rule 5.6.6.4 by adding as a last phrase the following: *"An NAC shall not have their entitlement reduced to less than one entry."*

4. OFFICIAL OBSERVER requirements (GS 5.2.1)

The WG decided to request the Records Review SC to provide the appropriate criteria for Official Observers to be integrated into the SC S1 Annex 6. WG member Lindsay Muir to report to the WG in 2018.

5. Corrections proposed by RSC chairman

1. 5.3.4.2.: Compulsory test-event for World- and Continental Championships.

The WG decided that the present rule is adequate and that there is no need for a change.

2. 5.6.1.5.: Invitation of current Medal Holders.

The WG decided to recommend to replace the words "*in the following year*" with (*not in the same calendar year*) in para. 3, 4, 5 and 6.

Old Wording:

5.6.1.5 Invitation of current Medal Holders

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- The Junior World Championship Gold medal holder shall be directly invited by the organisers of the next Junior World Championship and by the organisers of the next World Championship in the following year
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6. S1 5.6.1.4.: Nomination of Entrants

The WG decided that the present rule is adequate and that there is no need for a change. Nominations by CIA delegates would risk to create confusion and that nominations must be made by NACs.

**7. S1: Rules 4.6 – Difference between two consecutive Records and
4.7.3.1 – Accuracy**

The WG decided to recommend to adopt the following changes with retroactive effect from July 11, 2016.

Current rules

4.6 DIFFERENCE BETWEEN TWO CONSECUTIVE RECORDS

A new record must improve the preceding one by at least the following percentages:

- Distance, Duration and Shortest time: 1 %
- Altitude and Speed: 3 %

4.7.3 Accuracy

4.7.3.1 A performance shall, if possible, be determined with the following overall margins of error:

- Altitude: +/- 1%
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Proposed new wording

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8. Complaints and Protests

Discussion proposal withdrawn by proposer Lindsay Muir.

9. Age limit for AX Junior Championships

The WG has decided to recommend to adopt the following SC S1 changes:

Old wording:

- 5.1.1 *Sporting Events in class A and class B may belong to either of the following categories of Sporting Events:*
- *General, with no gender or age limitation;*
 - *Female, where all persons on board of the aerostat, except for competition officials, must be female,*
 - *Junior, where all persons on board of the aerostat, except for competition officials, must be aged less than 27 years the year of the event*

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Old wording:

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Pilots-in-command shall have been authorized to act as pilot-in-command of the sub-class of aerostat for which the first category event is held. At least twelve months prior to the start of the event. Each pilot-in-command shall have accumulated at least 50 hours as pilot-in-command of aerostats of the sub-class by the closing entry date, except for the junior events where it shall be at the start of the general briefing. These experience criteria may only be modified by the CIA for a specific subclass of aerostat, under special circumstances claimed by the organising NAC.

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Any pilot aged over 27 at the start of the event who has previously competed in a World Air Games, General World Championship or General Continental Championship is deemed ineligible to compete in a Junior event.

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10. CIA Internal Regulations (IRs) revision

The WG decided to recommend to delete all Statutes and By-Law reference from the CIA Internal Regulations document. Proposal to drop all Statutes, By-Laws and SC references from the document.

2017/2018 WG members and Chairperson

The WG recommends to approve the following members:

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11. Summary of motions:

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