**Montgolfier Diploma Motion**

**By the United Kingdom**

The motion is to propose that the CIA President is requested to effect, through the FAI, the following change to the By Laws:

That the rule

7.2.1.3.4. The Montgolfier Diploma may be awarded to the same individual or team more than once, but not in the same category.

Would become:

7.2.1.3.4. The Montgolfier Diploma may be awarded to the same individual or team more than once, but only in the first three categories above.

(or such other wording that would have the required effect).

The reason for the motion is that the current rule creates a difficulty if one person makes the best flight of the year on more than one year. The rule implies that the Diploma is not awarded at all. Awarding it to the second best flight does not seem satisfactory. It still makes sense to award it only once for general service or achievement.

United Kingdom Delegate

**Present By-Laws:**

**7.2. AWARDS FOR BALLOONING**

(Subject to approval by the FAI Ballooning Commission)

**7.2.1. THE MONTGOLFIER BALLOONING DIPLOMAS**

**7.2.1.1.** History. These Diplomas, established by FAI in 1960, are named after Joseph and Etienne Montgolfier who built the world's first successful manned flying machine, a hot air balloon, in 1783.

**7.2.1.2.** Eligibility, Frequency and Number. Four Montgolfier Diplomas may be awarded annually, one to recognise each of the following:

**7.2.1.2.1.** - *the best sporting performance in the previous Montgolfier year in Gas Ballooning;*

**7.2.1.2.2.** - *the best sporting performance in the previous Montgolfier year in Hot Air Ballooning;*

**7.2.1.2.3.** - *the best sporting performance in the previous Montgolfier year in Roziere Ballooning.*

**7.2.1.2.4.** - *A major contribution to the development of the sport of Ballooning in general.*

**7.2.1.2.5.** The Montgolfier year starts on November 21st and ends on November 20th (UTC).

**7.2.1.3.** Nomination and Approval. Procedures shall be as described in Chapter 9 of the Statutes, subject to the following additional conditions:

**7.2.1.3.1.** Each FAI Member may submit the names of four candidates, one in each of the categories defined in 7.2.1.2. above.

**7.2.1.3.2.** Each candidate must be a national or resident of the nominating Member's country. Candidates may be individuals or teams. In the case of awards for performance, teams shall consist of a Pilot-in-Command and other Flight Crew, but at least one person in a team must be a national or resident of the nominating Member's country. Where candidates consist of a team of different nationalities, the nominating FAI Member shall have the written permission of the FAI Members concerned.

**7.2.1.3.3.** In the event a Diploma is awarded to a team, each team member will receive a Diploma.

**7.2.1.3.4.** The Montgolfier Diploma may be awarded to the same individual or team more than once, but not in the same category.

**7.2.2. THE SANTOS-DUMONT GOLD AIRSHIP MEDAL**

**7.2.2.1.** History. This medal, established in 1994, honours Alberto Santos-Dumont for his contributions to the development of the sport of flying airships, culminating in his historic flight around the Eiffel Tower in Paris, October 19, 1901, thus winning the Deutsch Prize.

100 medals were contributed by the Virgin Islands Aero Club.

**7.2.2.2.** Eligibility, Frequency and Number. One Santos-Dumont Gold Airship Medal may be awarded annually to recognise:

**7.2.2.2.1.** - *the best sporting performance in the previous Montgolfier year (see 7.2.1.2.5.) in airships, or*

**7.2.2.2.2.** - *a major contribution to the development of the sport of Airship flying in general.*

**7.2.2.2.3.** A Medal may also be awarded for a series of performances which together represent a remarkable sporting performance.

**7.2.2.3.** Nomination and Approval. Procedures shall be as described in Chapter 9 of the Statutes, subject to the additional conditions applying to the Montgolfier Diploma described in 7.2.1.3.2 and 7.2.1.3.3 above.

**Proposed By-Laws modifications:**

**7.2.1. THE MONTGOLFIER BALLOONING DIPLOMAS  
  
7.2.1.1. History.**

These Diplomas, established by FAI in 1960, are named after Joseph and Etienne Montgolfier who built the world's first successful manned flying machine, a hot air balloon, in 1783.

**7.2.1.2. Eligibility, Frequency and Number.**

Four Montgolfier Diplomas may be awarded annually, one in each of the categories below, to recognise:  
  
7.2.1.2.1. An outstanding flight performance in the previous Montgolfier year in sub-class AA

(Gas Ballooning) ;

7.2.1.2.2. an outstanding flight performance in the previous Montgolfier year in sub-class AX

(Hot Air ballooning) ;  
  
7.2.1.2.3. an outstanding flight performance in the previous Montgolfier year in a free

balloon not falling into sub-classes AA or AX;  
  
7.2.1.2.4. a major contribution to the development of the sport of Ballooning in general.

**7.2.1.3. Montgolfier Year**

The Montgolfier Year starts on November 21st and ends on November 20th (UTC).

**7.2.1.4. Nomination and Approval.**

Procedures shall be as described in Chapter 9 of the Statutes, subject to the following additional conditions:

7.2.1.4.1. Each FAI Member may submit the names of four candidates, one in each of the

categories defined in 7.2.1.2. above.

7.2.1.4.2. Each candidate must be a national or resident of the nominating Member's country. Candidates may be individuals or teams. In the case of awards for performance, teams shall consist of a Pilot-in-Command and other Flight Crew, but at least one person in a team must be a national or resident of the nominating Member's country. Where candidates consist of a team of different nationalities, the nominating FAI Member shall have the written permission of the FAI Members concerned.

7.2.1.4.3. In the event a Diploma is awarded to a team, each team member will receive a

Diploma.

7.2.1.4.4. The Montgolfier Diploma may be awarded to the same individual or team more than once, but not in category 7.2.1.2.4.

**7.2.2. THE SANTOS-DUMONT GOLD AIRSHIP MEDAL**

**7.2.2.1. History.**

This medal, established in 1994, honours Alberto Santos-Dumont for his contributions to the development of the sport of flying airships, culminating in his historic flight around the Eiffel Tower in Paris, October 19, 1901, thus winning the Deutsch Prize.

100 medals were contributed by the Virgin Islands Aero Club.

**7.2.2.2. Eligibility, Frequency and Number.**

One Santos-Dumont Gold Airship Medal may be awarded annually to recognise:

7.2.2.2.1. an outstanding flight performance in the previous Montgolfier year (see 7.2.1.2.5.) in airships, or

7.2.2.2.2. a major contribution to the development of the sport of Airship flying in general.

7.2.2.2.3. A Medal may also be awarded for a series of performances which together represent a remarkable sporting performance.

**7.2.2.3. Nomination and Approval.**

Procedures shall be as described in Chapter 9 of the Statutes, subject to the additional conditions applying to the Montgolfier Diploma described in 7.2.1.4.2 and 7.2.1.4.3 above.

The Santos-Dumont Gold Airship Medal may be awarded to the same individual or team more than once.