



President's conference call with MRD Commission (via conference call)  
June 10, 2020 | 16h00-17h00 (local time Korea)

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## Summary

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**Attendees:** Chungwon Choue (President), Jean Marie Ayer (Chair), Ide Issaka (Vice Chair), Sarah Stevenson (Vice Chair), Michel Madar (Member), Guo Li (Member), Russell Ahn (member), Usman Dildar (member), Jeongkang Seo (Senior Director, MRD), Jerry Ling (Chief of Staff, President Office), Haeri Jeon (Manager, MRD), Sockho Lee (Assistant Manager, MRD) and Wooram Kim (Coordinator, MRD)

### 1. General Topic

#### a. Introduction

*President welcomes all members and extends his wishes for safety and health.*

### 2. Specific Committee topics

*President emphasizes on a few key points that MRD Commission and respective Committees to study the Sustainability Committee report with proposal how to implement the recommendations in a practical way. He adds that WT needs to develop practical indicators to evaluate whether the current development and support programs are useful, and where WT can improve; these indicators will be useful when WT studies the results of the MNA surveys.*

*President continues to mention that the by 2022, MNA survey will become the basis for ranking of MNAs, and the such ranking will also help WT identify which areas to focus WT's resources on.*

*He also remarks that the pandemic has brought about many changes to our daily lives and WT needs to think of creative ways to engage with the wider community. He says that WT can build a society that remains positive active during such depressing times, and WT should focus on building education and certification programs with and for dojangs since a community of strong dojangs will ultimately benefit Taekwondo and our organization in the long run.*

*President adds that it is needed to take time to recognize the contribution of forefathers who made Taekwondo what it is today, and this is why the first ever Hall of Fame will be symbolic and prestigious. He notes that he was planning to have Hall of Fame during the World Junior Taekwondo Championships, but still the situations of many countries are problematic because of the COVID-19.*

*He informs that WT will make a final decision in mid-August whether WT holds the World Junior Taekwondo Championships as scheduled or postponed; and also, will decide whether Grand Prix Final in Cancun will take place as scheduled or postponed as well.*

### 3. Other Matter

*President informs that 'WT Got Talent' is a wonderful idea, and not many other IFs are able to do it, but, Taekwondo has not only Kyorugi, but also has Poomsae so that WT can hold 'WT Got Talent' via online. He adds that if there is a legal issue of naming for 'WT Got Talent', it would be better to change the name into 'WT Super Talent'.*

*Usman Dildar, Member of Commission, mentions that he does not think the naming issue will be a problem, but in case if there is any objection from International Intellectual Property Organization using the naming of 'WT Got Talent', WT should use 'WT Super Talent' as President mentioned.*

#### 4. Q&A

*President opens the floor for any opinions or comments.*

*Jean Marie Ayer, Chair of MRD Commission, thanks for President and this fruitful meeting, especially under the outbreak of COVID-19. He adds that this is the momentum that all other WT Committees effortfully work together.*

*President thanks Jean for his remarks; and asks Guo Li, Member of Commission, for any comments.*

*Guo notes that 'WT Got Talent or Super Talent' any title will be a wonderful idea, and there is similar program in China that Taekwondo practitioners also participated. She adds that before WT launches the program, however, the concept of the program needs to be set and naming issue should be checked in advance.*

*President agrees with Guo's opinions; and invite Michel Madar, Member of Commission.*

*Michel fully supports the idea of the program, and he also sent a proposal a few months ago of WT website dedicated to only live competitions/results that MNAs always need; and IJF has an excellent example of the website.*

*President thanks Michel for his comments; and asks Sarah Stevenson, Vice Chair of Commission, for any comments.*

*Sarah comments that the one of the important things is that all Commission members are now passionate and committed to support for WT to be sustainable, especially during the hard time due to the pandemic.*

*President thanks Sarah for the comments; and asks Ide Issaka, Vice Chair of Commission, for any comments.*

*Ide thanks for President on doing his best on strengthening World Taekwondo in various aspects and Ide is happy to see all Commission members. He adds that all members are working hard how to enhance MNA's strategy and finance.*

*President thanks Ide for the comments; and invite Russell Ahn, Member of Commission.*

*Russell mentions in regard with the additional contents to be taught via online. He suggests that it would be inspired people if topics of Olympism, Social Obligation and World Peace through Taekwondo are taught via online.*

*President agrees with Russell's comments; and asks Usman for any comments.*

*Usman thanks President for his innovative works that makes Commission members work and study hard, and also thanks for the opportunity for members to bring each member's ideas on the table to further discuss. He then suggests to start teaching Dojangs with online education because many*



*Dojangs are already providing online sessions with limited resources to their practitioners on a daily basis.*

*President thanks Usman for his comments, and concludes by informing that next Committee meeting via online will be held on September 8-10.*

**5. Closing remarks**

*President thanks all members for joining this meeting and declares the meeting is closed.*