



7th WT Member Relations & Development Commission Meeting (via conference call)
September 08, 2020 | 16h00-16h30 (local time Korea)

Summary

Attendees: Chungwon Choue (President), Jean Marie Ayer (Chair), Sarah Stevenson (Vice Chair), Michel Madar (Member), Guo Li (Member), Russell Ahn (Member), Usman Dildar (Member), Jeongkang Seo (Senior Director, MRD), Taeun Kim (Manager, MRD), Haeri Jeon (Manager, MRD), Sockho Lee (Assistant Manager, MRD) and Wooram Kim (Coordinator, MRD)

I. General Discussion

o President welcomes all members and notes that the absence of Ide Issaka due to the health issue. President explains that the meeting is called to hear the progress of committee activities based on the missions that he gave in the last meeting in July.

o President notes that Hadwah Moawad, a Member of WT Taekwondo for All Committee is initiating women in sport and gender equality conference around mid-October this year in Saudi Arabia and that WT will fully support and join this initiative. He asks the women members of MRD Commission to actively join this initiative as well. He speaks to Usman Dildar to discuss with Hadwah for the Saudi Arabia's first women's open Championships to around same time as Fujairah Open to maximize participants.

o He invites the Chair to share some ideas discussed in the committee meetings held after the July call with President.

o Jean Marie mentions that the topic of gender equality to be more focused and promoted in WT as well as all MNAs and that the committee exchanged a lot of ideas on how to promote gender balance within decision-making process within WT including national level leadership education for women.

o President thanks the efforts and asks Michel if there are any updates since the last meeting.

o Michel notes that he could not find any Taekwondo clubs in Liechtenstein but has been in touch with Austrian Taekwondo Federation to promote Taekwondo in Liechtenstein. He also adds that the MNA survey should not be shared at the upcoming WT General Assembly until the data is more improved.

o Guo says that online education is important platform even after pandemic, and it is good to add more information on education in different categories on WT website.

o Sarah notes that the committee recommended in the last meeting to encourage MNAs to send one male and one female delegates at the upcoming WT General Assembly for increasing the gender equality.

o Usman agrees with Sarah's comments and he suggests that Chair and Members of WT Committees should be ex-officio members in MNAs for harmoniously collaborating with them. Usman proposes that 1st women's open in Saudi Arabia to be held around G20 summit to be held in November this year.



o Russell mentions about providing more resourceful information about how to do training, how to deal with mental health, and organizing food drives campaigns.

o President concludes by saying that even though the IOC and Tokyo 2020 have said that the Tokyo Olympic will go on next year, WT needs to plan for the worst case scenario which are no Olympic and Paralympic Games in Tokyo, no World Championships in Wuxi and no physical WT events throughout the year.

He then notes that WT needs to come up with plan A to survive and become stronger instead of thinking of this scenarios as plan B. President adds that on October 5th and 6th, WT will have Council Meeting and General Assembly, and he wishes to organize another round of Committee calls in November. He concludes that he wants to hear about plan A ideas during that call with the committee in November.

2. Closing of Meeting

- *President thanks the members and declares the meeting is closed.*