# 2<sup>nd</sup> WT Member Relations & Development Commission Meeting (via conference call) November 12, 2019 | 16h00-17h30 (local time Korea)

Present: Jean-Marie Ayer (Chair), Michel Madar (Member), Russell Ahn (Member), Usman Dildar (Member), Jeongkang Seo (Senior Director, MRD), Youngji Bae (Manager, MRD), Taeeun Kim (Manager, MRD), and Sockho Lee (Assistant Manager, MRD)

Excused: Ide Issaka (Vice Chair)

Absent: Sarah Stevenson (Member), Guo Li (Member)

#### Summary

### 1. Establish Quorum

*The Commission has a quorum with four(4) attendees among seven(7) members.* 

At 16:05 Chairman calls the meeting to order after a short wait.

## 2. Approval of the Minutes of 1<sup>st</sup> MRD Commission Meeting

The minutes from September 18, 2019 commission meeting are approved, which was sent via email to all commission members for their review.

#### 3. Reports

Chair gives a floor to SD Seo for these reports.SD Seo explains the progress of new membership to WT, the introduction of Hall of Fame, change of GMS management, and announcement of WT Intellectual Property guidelines.

- a. New Membership
- b. Hall of Fame
- c. GMS
- d. WT IP

## 4. Approval

### a. Amendment to MNA Category

Chair asks SD Seo for background information on this amendment to WT Statutes.

SD Seo explains that the articles regarding membership on current Statutes need to be updated in accordance with implementation of Development Programs by deleting "Development funds."

After the discussion, it is decided that the article regarding criteria for membership demotion will be kept as it is for a while to study feasibility and consequences about concerns to minimize side effects. And the article regarding participation requirements will be detailed to prevent confusion about criteria for membership demotion.

The revised WT Statutes will be sent via email to all commission members after the meeting for their review and comments.

### b. Amendment to Membership Fee Tier and List of MNAs

Chair asks SD Seo for background information on this amendment to WT Statutes.

SD Seo explains that the articles regarding membership fee tiers on current statutes need to be updated in accordance with implementation of Development Programs and creation of membership category for the financially incapable.

After the discussion about creating new membership fee tiers, it is decided that economic indicator is appropriate for objective decision.

Chair recommends that WT administration present a proposal to the commission about what is suitable standard for our MNAs after investigation of leading economic indicators.

The revised list of MNAs based on the economic index will be sent via email to all commission members after the meeting for their review and comments.

#### 5. Discussion

#### a. Associate Membership

Chair gives a floor to SD Seo for this overview. SD Seo explains the definition, status, issues of WT Associate membership and proposed three solutions following Chair's recommendation from the last meeting.

Chair motions one of proposals, to strengthen enforcements of residence check and apply 3-year rule (one representing one country as a national team member cannot represent another country within 3 years) to Associate Members (one representing

one MNA cannot represent another MNA).

The motion is seconded and the commission recommends proposing relevant rule changes at the next council meeting.

### b. 2021 Strategic Planning

Chair asks the background of this information to SD Seo.

SD Seo explains the World Taekwondo Strategy 2021 briefly.

Chair suggests holding discussion on this issue over until next meeting after reviewing the relevant documents.

The draft World Taekwondo Strategy 2021 will be sent via email to all commission members after the meeting for their review.

#### c. Action Items for 2020

#### d. Report to the Council

Chair announces that he will attend the upcoming Council meeting on December 5, 2019 in Moscow to present activity reports of MRD Commission, Education Committee and Development Committee.

#### 6. Other Matters

Chair opens floor to members for other matter.

Live Stream Service should be developed and well promoted through various channels by benchmarking successful cases of other IFs.

Safeguarding policy study and implementation should be kept up with Olympic and Sports movement for athlete protection.

### 7. Next Commission Meeting

The next Commission meeting will be held on December 2 at 16:00 (Korean time) via conference call.

## 8. Closing Meeting

Chair thanks the members and WT administration for active participation in the meeting and excellent management of the works.