

Extraordinary & Regular General Assembly 2003/08 Berlin

Dates: **Saturday 23 August & Sunday 24 August**

Venue: **Hotel Kolumbus, Genslerstrasse 19, 13055, Berlin, Germany**

Agenda Extraordinary General Assembly part 1 (*Saturday 23 August, 13.00 h.*)

1. Opening & welcome

Pawlicki: I'm very glad to see so many countries. We are in very deep crisis but we hope now to work in lower temperature than it was in the summer. We all represent a beautiful game.

Now in according to statutes I want to give conducting to president 64 squares Russian/Brazilian: Mr. Anatoliy Yatsenko.

Yatsenko: the most important now: who is president of FMJD. In CD we were unanimous about next procedure. And I ask to agree with this. In order to let participate non-present member federations, we send proposals to them. They have to react within 2 months, answering yes or no.

Our final motto must be "Our strength is in the unity of draughts", so we can progress.

Friday evening and this morning CD worked in order to have a good meeting.

2. Accreditation: presence, mandates & voting rights

Present: Jaap Bus (Treasurer), Ebbo de Jong (**Netherlands + South Africa**), John Reade (Checkers Section, **England + Wales**), Alexander Presman (Webmaster), Ivan Shovkoplyas, Jacek Pawlicki (EDC), Anatoliy Yatsenko (Section 64, **Ukraine**), Harm Wiersma, Leo Springer (Propaganda), Wouter van Beek (FMJD), Henk Fokink (TC), Ndongo Fall (CAJD, **Mauritania**), Alexander Lehman (64), Yuriy Tchertok (RIDF **Russia**), Pieter Hilderling, Rik Devroe (secretary, **Belgium + France**), Daouda Diakite (Mali + **Gambia**), Michael Römhild (**Germany**), Jan Zioltkowski (Germany), T. Mankowski (Germany), Ndiaga Samb (**Senegal**), Charles Walker (**USA + Barbados**), Leszek Lysakowski (**Poland + Lithuania**), Jaroslav Novotny (**Czech Republic**), Jean-François Mebenga (Cameroon + Ivory Coast), Janek Mäggi (**Estonia**, only present first day).

Names of 26 present persons are underlined. 18 countries with voting right are **bold**.

3. New federations

New: Burkina Faso and Barbados.

Both have to send their statutes to FMJD Bureau.

Restarted: Gambia and Mauritania

4. Assessment of statutory position of Extraordinary Assembly

Devroe: 21 countries are represented out of 51 existing (active) member federations.

This means that 1/3 of the countries are represented and that EGA can take legal decisions (quorum is reached).

Yatsenko: CD reviewed agenda and took pt. 5 to GA.

5. (Minutes of GA Zwartsluis 17 & 18 May 2003¹ & ratification)

→ this point has been sent to GA.

6. Proposal change in presidential structure and representation confederations in the Board

Yatsenko: For pt. 7 we have to give federations enough time to check proposed changes. The last version (proposal changes of statutes) that was sent, was late. Nevertheless, we need a decision about Executive Vice-President: see page 23-24 in booklet that was given to everybody. Only one change in the text is proposed: convening Board and Assemblies should be task of president. CD proposed unanimous.

¹ Minutes of Sectional Assembly Bila Tserkva June 2002 (PM)
Minutes of Sectional Assembly Amsterdam October 2002 (PM)

Hildering: still there is need for text-agreement as a whole. I refer to points in statutes: 2.1, 2.8, 2.9, and Bye-Laws: 4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 4.6, 6.1, especially 6.5 and 6.6, 6.10, 6.15 and 8.3.

Yatsenko: we guarantee that changes in statutes have to be in order like in proposal page 23.

Lehmann: is EVP the first one? EVP looks less than first vice-president.

Yatsenko: the most important is the task division, the functions.

Samb (?): I would like to see there is also a sort of solidarity, or call it unification, between EVP and president. Also I'd like to hear an answer to the question whose task it is to support new federations.

Yatsenko: Assistance to emerging federations could be seen as part of propaganda.

Fall: The wish of the African federations, we like to have a post between Africa and the President.

Walker: presiding = supreme authority; conducting = do the work.

Yatsenko: can we go for a decision? **GA accepts the creation of EVP with tasks on page 23.** No remarks?

All applauded.

Yatsenko: we have taken a very important decision.

7. Textual changes

Yatsenko: we will do so that changes will be conforming with page 23, but changed about convening: President convenes Board and GA.

8. Instalment of financial committee (for GA – report on finances)

Yatsenko: this point was only needed if new treasurer needed.

9. Closing of Extraordinary Assembly

Yatsenko: I highly appreciate the decision taken, but I ask federations to take active part in changing statutes.

Agenda Regular General Assembly

1. Opening & instalment of election scrutinisers

Yatsenko: opening of General Assembly.

2. Accreditation: presence, mandates & voting rights

Devroe: it is the same as for EGA; nobody left the meeting, nobody came by.

3. Election of Executive Vice-President and

4. Election of President

Yatsenko: about point 3 and 4: CD has little change in formulating these points. Mr. van Beek will make an official statement.

van Beek : In order to make clear that the crisis in FMJD is over we ask the GA to agree with the following statement: “Mr. Shovkoplyas Ivan is the President of the FMJD from now on.”

General acclamation follows.

Van Beek (as former president): Congratulations and hereby I hand over the official presidency stamp to Mr. Ivan Shovkoplyas (pictures were taken).

Yatsenko: We wish him luck – being our guide – in his tasks as president.

Shovkoplyas (as new president): I offer my deepest thanks to my election. I hope you have been acquainted with my program. I will do everything to accomplish this program. I will use everything that I have with me: materially, moral, ...

First point of the agenda is election of Executive Vice-President. In beginning of August, I discussed this point with Ebbo de Jong, president of KNDB. Myself, Van Beek and De Jong discussed with other members of KNDB and we concluded for candidature of Pieter Hildering. It is my pleasure to propose Pieter Hildering as Executive Vice-President.

If nobody has remarks, I ask for acclamation.

General acclamation. (Pieter and Ivan shaking hands with multiple photo-flashes).

Shovkoplyas: I congratulate Pieter and hope we can work to promote draughts.

At this moment I ask Pieter to conduct the meeting.

Hildering: I was consulted for this 3 weeks ago. Maybe it was the only way to have a consensus. I give you my small history: I play draughts since the age of 11. I'm not a topper or grandmaster,

but I like the game. I was former president of draughts club Hiltex. In my daily life I conduct a company with 8 employees.

I will try to lead this Assembly quick, swift and efficient.

I have taken note of official requests of Gambia and Mauritania.

My theme is: try not to waste time.

5. Report on Finances

A report was given to participants.

Bus: Debts of countries. Cameroon made strong promises, but cannot vote. South Africa, Gambia, Mauritania and Barbados paid all debts, new federation Burkina Faso didn't. Moldavia paid to Mr. Macaux.

Wiersma: on the list I see only 32 federations, what statutes have other countries?

Bus: the other federations did not pay anything at all.

Wiersma: what do we do with this situation?

Bus: if they want to play international championship they have to pay debts for the last 2 years.

Walker: is the quorum based on 32 or 51?

Devroe: it is on 51. The complete list of countries will be placed in Minutes. (see attachment)

???: Put it on website also: "next countries cannot participate championships unless they pay last two years".

Yatsenko: This is very important. I like to take some time to discuss this more profoundly.

Perhaps the countries that are not paying, we had better take action instead of blaming them to obtain more active federations. President gives consult to confederation presidents:

- ask federations the following: Is there any reason they don't pay? And what do they expect from FMJD?

- Report from confederations to Board (CD)

- So, decision can be taken by President and EVP and if needed, propose changes in Bye-Laws.

Bus: inscription fee: nobody should play if no pay

membership fee: invoices will be sent in October, to be paid at latest in January.

Hildering: Are there any remarks on Financial Report?

De Jong: Let us send a card to Mr. Ed Holstvoogd to wish him the best.

General acclamation.

Yatsenko: Reason for some countries not to pay can be they are small country. Is fee too high?

This is one of the questions to ask for by confederations.

Reade: if federation has got government support, the fee is not high, otherwise it is.

Hildering: Let us remember the important things:

1. inquiry
2. outcome
3. CD
4. GA

Yatsenko: how is financial situation now?

Bus: At the moment the FMJD bank accounts contain about 20.000 Euro.

6. Election of Treasurer (if needed)

Not needed.

7. Report on situation in Checkers (by Mr. Reade)

1. All problems about World Championship (3 move restriction) are resolved. The match will be played in October. All checkers federations will recognise the winner as world champion.
2. WC women: also played in October.
3. World Championship cycle for Checkers will be reorganised by Checkers Federation.
Even years: Championship Tournament.
Odd years: Match.
4. Calendar: see page 72

Lehman: I would like checkers to be more active in FMJD and that checker-players are motivated to play also other variants. We, from our side, will also stimulate players to play other variants in order to have mutual support.

Reade: we agree. On Mind Sports Olympiad we already had: checkers, Italian and Brazilian.

8. Ratification of titles in the sections

- 100 & 64 Russian/Brazilian

Fokkink: see page 34-39. On the bottom of page 36: new titles on basis of new system.

Present situation: page 31.

New system: page 32 : all time limits eliminated. All results have been recalculated till 1986, together with Mr. Frank Teer. It took us 5 years to form a pyramid with small top (GMI HC).

Always first MF-title, even when you make 4 times MI; then with 3 MF norms you become MI.

See list on page 38. Example: Martin Dolging is now MF, he needs 2 MF to obtain MI (because he already has 2 MI and 1 GMI norm).

Lehman (waving with documents): I'm afraid the situation is not as clear as you described. The work has started after Tallinn, where we saw there is something wrong in the old system. We had a committee with Van Beek, Pawlicki and Fokkink. The proposal was accepted by the CD in May of this year. The automatic titles were in it, especially for the young players, at the meeting earlier this day. I was surprised the number of participants was important for giving titles. I have never seen before such proposition by the Board. This text is not absolutely correct. You cannot make differences between World Championships.

Fokkink: the whole speech of Mr. Lehman is about automatic titles, not about the proposal here.

Hildering: it is a discussion for T.C., not for G.A. So let us go for page 32 (new system), and then 33 (automatic titles).

Fall: This technical problem, as being international arbiter, we can never accept this document. I want the item to be discussed larger, with much more international arbiters.

Fokkink: The documents of Lehman are from 1998. CD of Delft, Minutes of 2002: Lehman also was present. The result was exactly like it is on page 31 to 33. In that meeting "Lehman sees no problems".

Van Beek: let us separate things: p. 31-36 with many new titles. It would be a shame not to ratify these titles now. Only page 33 (automatic titles) has to be apart. Those people mentioned in the list know they deserve it.

Hildering: Let us decide now about 31-36, except page 33: he who merits title must have title. About page 33: TC gives us proposal, signed by majority.

Yatsenko: There should be no question about the document. It has been on CD and presented in Zwartsluis. It's the same document.

Hildering: if TC is not unanimous, we cannot vote.

page 31-32: no objections?

Proposed is accepted

page 34-40: no objections?

Proposal is accepted

General Acclamation.

Break

9. Proposed titles in the sections for 2003, 2004, 2005 (general calendar)

Van Beek: we as GA have to give rights to sections for organising World Championships.

Agreed.

10. International draughts (100 sq.): *CD proposals:*

- 4 year WC cycle

Proposal accepted

- Format women WC

Pawlicki: how do we fill in FMJD-places and absence places?

Yatsenko: concerning that point, CD decided: president helps financing tournament: between 1-10 October in Lugansk. Only 1 representative per country, that is already qualified.

Wiersma : Zeeland is not ready yet, they are waiting for new fiscal year Government mid of September.

Pawlicki: who can play? How many? Conditions?

Yatsenko : Proposal to form committee to have proposal tomorrow..

The proposal is accepted without remarks.

- Calendar 100 sq.

Van Beek replaces 2 tournament directors.

1. Barrage Tchizhov-Valneris-Georgiev with very interesting barrage system. In Zwartsluis, format is fixed. 25 September till 3 October (just before Curaçao)

2. Women WC

3. 2 propositions for World Team Championships
2004 end of December: Dakar (Senegal)

Fall: For Dakar: sponsor wants 30 countries, 4 players and 1 in reserve. All players clothed in national colours. In 2 months special meeting of confederation Africa to handle all details. Also we will have a President and a delegated President to make sure Africa is represented in the Board in which we were absent too long.

2005: Moncalieri (Italy)

2006: ?

Moncalieri 2005: team

Moncalieri 2006 (Mind Sports Olympiad): 3 participants per country

4. In 2004: another attempt for the World Record simultaneous blind by Ton Sijbrands: he will play against 24 players.

5. 2005: WC new style: the Netherlands. Organising by Mohamedjoesoef (Bijlmer, Amsterdam): proposal in writing.
Accepted by GA? Yes, no other candidates

6. Is any present federation capable to organise:

Junior WC 2004

Cadet WC 2004

Girls WC 2004

Mr. Macaux will contact you.

Walker: is it possible to combine Mind Sports Olympiad with World Championship?

- distinctions

Van Beek : Vladimir Ptitsyn was president for a long time of Asian Confederation, he was vice-president of FMJD and organised many tournaments.

Proposal accepted to give title of Membre d'Honneur Eminent (Eminent member of Honour).

Hildering: statutes say: 8 years member of the Executive Board.

Tchertok: Mr. Ptitsyn has also been president of the Russian Draughts Federation. Under his presidency lots of good developments have been made. Now he has a high post in the republic of Saha (Yakutia). For all these merits, we invited him in Ufa. He has promised he will be more active in RIDF.

Leo Springer: I like to mention another person: he was president for 11 years. He got us in GAISF.

He also made mistakes, but who does not? His merits were much higher. Proposal: to give title of Honourably President to Mr. Wouter van Beek.

General acclamation.

Communications by the secretary (Devroe):

Mandate was given from France to Belgium

I got here a list about automatic titles: 29 titles '64': I do not know what to do with it. The list was made on 17 of May but did not pass T.C. The list was signed by Van Beek and Lehman in Tallinn.

Hildering: List is accepted as signed by the former president van Beek.

Closing of the meeting

Opening of the meeting (Sunday morning) – Estonia is no more represented.

Shovkoplyas: We shall continue the work of our GA. We will try to work efficiently.

I give conduction to Pieter Hildering.

Hildering: After yesterday, we want to say: no endless discussions, so be short, effective and efficient.

- Referee norms

Hildering: No comments, so proposal is accepted.

- New FMJD & international referees (list)

List is accepted.

Fokkink proposes CD can approve new referee-titles. Hildering sees no problems.

Hildering: about languages to speak for international referees: it has to be decided (proposed) in T.C.

And then follow normal way: T.C. -> CD and if necessary to GA.

- Swiss text (PM)

Accepted.

- Titles, records

Simultaneous blind play: Ton Sijbrands 22 games and next year even 24.

Mr. Borghetti has an extraordinary achievement of 23 blind games in Italian game.

Hildering: it is up to the members to inform us about records.

Van Beek: Italian game is close to checkers and 64. It is good to congratulate Mr. Borghetti. In the long term we must look what happens with Italian Draughts.

Yatsenko: All records should be in writing via confederation to Board.

Reade: there is a possibility to group Czech Draughts, Italian and Checkers based on the rule that no man can take backwards.

Walker: FID (Italian Draughts Federation) wants to participate in World Checkers.

Hildering: it would indeed be better that all 64-games are in one group.

Wiersma: Records and exposure. I give you the idea of records in parts of the world. For example African player plays blind against 10 players. It is all about exposure and promoting draughts.

Hildering: Please inform us when special events happened.

Van Beek: proposal Fair Play: during Tallinn Junior Olympiad, Mr. Jahu gave me the following proposal: “Presidential Fair-Play Prize”. Mr. Jahu nominates for Fair-Play: Mr. Alexei Tchizhov. Reason: very gentleman-like behaviour during last World Championship. He was awarded 2 prizes (Roozenburg and Weiss), but he gave one prize away.

Presman: the title name should be: “FMJD Fair-Play Prize”.

Lehman: I was arbiter during match. Sometimes the prize-money is very high and relation between 2 players can be very difficult. Indeed when Tchizhov lost from Georgiev, he was very gentleman-like.

Tchertok: Tchizhov is also member of the Board in Russian Draughts Federation. He is a great sportsman: he was honoured with the extremely important title of “honoured sportsman”.

Tchizhov is very active in RIDF. He has organised big tournaments.

De Jong: FMJD Fair-Play Prize: maybe there is a combination possible with the name of P. Roozenburg?

Hildering: better is short title

De Jong: there should be objective criteria.

Hildering: **instalment of prize “FMJD Fair-Play Prize” and winner is Alexei Tchizhov.**

General acclamation.

- Other: rapid, blitz, crowning of a King, capturing one man, tie-break Swiss

Hildering opens this point and says: It’s not the time to read now, you should have read this before and prepared remarks or questions.

Accepted.

Tchertok: Very important point before proceeding.

2 days ago in Russian Ministry of Sport there was a meeting with Klimashov. The Chief of the

Department Sport asked how many world federations there are.

Klimashov answered: FMJD and MARSH

I answered: there is only one world federation

Position of Ministry of Sport: In Russia the number of federations should be the same as the number of world federations.

In my feeling Klimashov is a member of MARSH, Tchertok is a member of FMJD.

Tomorrow we have another important meeting with the Ministry of Sport. Tchertok wants GA to come to a decision.

Hildering: MARSH cannot be accepted. If Klimashov wants to continue with MARSH it will be without our support. MARSH cannot have an international future.

Tchertok: MARSH has been awarding World Championship-title and international titles of Master, Grandmaster. It affects the titles we give. This work is used to get subsidies from the government. Till now FMJD has not acted strong enough.

Hildering: we will take positive, if needed aggressive actions to resolve this problem. Before the end of the year, there will be only one Russian federation.

Tchertok: This will be very difficult. Promises from Klimashov can be withdrawn as they have come. All people that have been active in FMJD were people from RIDF. The members of the federation Klimashov only play in MARSH, not in FMJD championships.

I ask for written text to take with about FMJD point of view. Ministry of Sport has large file about FMJD, wherein there is no decision.

Fall: it's a question of procedure: we have to avoid national problems in GA. FMJD has to go to that country, install procedure of national elections and talk with Ministry of Sport.

Hildering: We can maybe not resolve the whole problem, but we will deal with the problem FMJD: different rules, titles, world champions...

We ask for free mandate to resolve the problem.

Pawlicki: One important remark. Person using logo FMJD and so on... Klimashov did not fulfil even one of his promises. This problem is there since Tallinn '98 and it inflicts even EDC.

Hildering: I also ask for mandate to handle the Belarusian situation.

Tchertok: Mr. Hildering is the right person to handle this, I trust him.

Yatsenko: The situation now is because of non-activity in the past. Mr. van Beek proposed Klimashov for presidency in section 64 in 2002 (is this really what is said ??; Mr. van Beek says it's like this : At Zwartsluis Mr. van Beek indicated that the section 64 should confer with Mr. Klimashov to sort out the problem).

I don't (or was it "I do") think I'm the only one who can resolve this. The consequences could be very high, even on the level of the President of Russian Federation.

GA should give full mandate to the Board and let them decide who will resolve the problem.

Pawlicki: it's a boomerang. Almost everybody is linked with the problem, therefore: let Hildering - as new person - solve this problem.

Yatsenko: the problem should be discussed at a higher level than Ministry of Sport. If GA gives mandate to CD, it's correct.

Hildering: I asked mandate for the group. Together with the Board we have to solve the subject, otherwise we will have problems on every tournament and championship. This cannot last like this anymore.

Diakit : not good image for draughts with 2 federations.

Tchertok: The Ministry of Sport will only accept the one federation that is accepted by FMJD. It's essential to handle this fast.

Now none of the federations is accredited by the Ministry of Sport. Ministry of Sport said: head of Russian Draughts Federation has to be a Russian civilian. The situation now is illegal with Klimashov (who is from Ukraine).

Wiersma gives an expos  about a conflict with referee about telephone (GSM) call (Hiltex). He says there are different points of view. He asks if GA can handle every problem.

Hildering: we want to resolve FMJD and EDC-problem, not the Russian problem.

I ask for mandate.

Accepted with acclamation.

11. Problemism proposals

Hildering: see page 67 to 70.

Bus: Currently the CPI has four members: Yushkevitch from Ukraine as President and other members from France, Lithuania and the Netherlands. Russia is not represented in the CPI, which is not as it should be. The matter was discussed in Zwartsluis and here in Berlin with Mr. Tchertok who will propose a Russian candidate for the CPI to Yushkevitch and the other CPI members. Tchertok is in favour of a meeting between all the members of the CPI and the Russian candidate that might help to solve some problems of the past.

One of the differences of opinion is explained in a letter of Yushkevitch concerning a World Cup, so called by Zubov. The letter of 05-03-2001 is included in the documentation received by the participants of this meeting in Berlin. Yushkevitch asks the GA to accept his declaration as included in the letter that he does not consider himself as participant in what was called World Cup incorrectly.

The GA accepts this declaration.

Tchertok: there is definitely a problem in communication between Zubov and Yushkevitch. I suggest to have a meeting with all persons involved. Possibly we can have regulations and/or sanctions.

Bus: we have to discuss this with the committee-members.

Tchertok: we will work to resolve this problem.

Lehman: only a new president of that section can resolve the problem.

Bus: I suppose Mr. Zubov will not be the candidate of Russia.

CPI asks:

1. Accept CPI report: everything has been checked by Johan Bastiaannet and Committee members without remarks

Accepted

- CPI statutes in statute-annexes

- the system of awarding titles

- Ratification of awarding Master titles for B. Fedorov and D. Nikolayev

- Ratification of awarding the title of Grandmaster International Honoris Causa to B. Shkitkin.

- including the First World Championship of problemism in the official list of FMJD championships

- award the title of Member of Honour to Mr. Steef de Bruijn for his fruitful activity for the FMJD for many years, he almost worked as long as I was vice-president

All accepted

2. the proposal to include in the new draft statutes that the Presidents of the FMJD committees are a member of the CD and having voting rights (in CD).

Accepted.

12. Section 64: Proposals & calendar 2003-2004-2005

Yatsenko: the calendar has been made from 2003 to 2005

WC juniors and cadets: we plan to have it during holidays.

Every year: 3 tournaments:

1. January: open international in St.-Petersburg

2. Summer: Evpatoria (Ukraine): WC juniors, cadets and mini-cadets

3. September: continental championship

4. Before Christmas: open tournament youth and grown-ups in St.-Petersburg

World Championship dates and places could change because of sponsoring or organisation

13. FMJD rating system: players ID-numbers

Pawlicki: Main point: problem with information. Main referees have to do their work after tournament. So ask your referees to give full information (obligation of federations).

Yatsenko: it's a very important question from Mr. Pawlicki, especially in time of internet.

Hildering: all federations have obligation to give information.

14. Sponsoring

Shovkoplyas: It's a task for FMJD to search for sponsoring. In Ukraine there is already done a lot of work to sponsor tournaments and championships. CD is responsible to obtain sponsoring.

Diakit  (?): we have heard about promises for support. Is there also support for African players and tournaments?

Shovkoplyas: all promises will be fulfilled. African assistance on finances: if special requests we will look.

Hildering: in Africa it's not always easy. Where possible we will look for solutions and support. It's evident Africa also has to do their best.

Shovkoplyas: I'd like to pay a visit to Africa, eventually together with Van Beek, to discuss problems.

Fall: There comes reorganisation in African Confederation Board. Now we have 9 countries active.

We hope to have 15 federations in Bamako (Mali) in Confederative Assembly. Our main problem was our presence on the Board of FMJD. So we created a function of delegated president and we have chosen Van Beek as our representative.

We are very glad with the election of Mr. Shovkoplyas. We see the problems are in a way to be solved. And we are very happy with the way Mr. Hildering conducts this meeting.

Shovkoplyas: I'm glad Africa took active steps. Suggestions are welcome about organisation.

Yatsenko: here we have a very important point about financial support of FMJD.

The main purpose of FMJD is to support and expose draughts. FMJD is not a charity organisation.

The federations should not rely on president or vice-president to resolve their problems. The proper politics is not to give bread, but learn to bake.

Van Beek: as delegated president of African confederation: what we need: good communication, education. We are not asking for money but for support and good co-ordination, working together. Africa organised 5 World Cups.

Yatsenko: The FMJD can help, but not in financial way. What do federations need? Address your questions to CD. I was in Abidjan (1996): the level of organisation was very well.

Diakit  (?): We don't ask for charity. We organised tournaments and championships at a higher level of organisation than some in Russia. In Africa, because there are less championships it's more difficult to obtain titles.

Hildering: Van Beek is pointed as delegate president. I wonder if this is according to statutes. I will take this in account with the highest priority.

Yatsenko: this is a precedent.

Fall: it will facilitate working.

R mhild: the comments of Mr. Yatsenko are felt like an insult.

In Zwartsluis, Mr. Shovkoplyas promised 25.000 Euro for what purpose?

Shovkoplyas: the money goes to FMJD: about 25.000 Euro per month. It will be used to maintain offices in Amsterdam, Kiev and Lugansk. World Championship tournaments will be donated with prizes.

Leo Springer: there is no problem; you can see the delegate president as a mandated.

Hildering: I want to be sure, before accepting. Decision will follow within next CD.

Samb : it's only a delegate; Van Beek is not president.

15. Web-issues

Presman: Since Huissen, we were with 3 persons to work for website. Other 2 persons could not help, so I have to work alone. I want to have more persons in Committee.

After Zwartsluis, I took decision not to put any political statement in official part.

On the other hand, we activated the forum. The forum was very active.

Remarks I got: forum should not be part of FMJD-site.

Forum was very highly visited: 7.500 hits. This was much more than one on the chess-site. It's information but also a centre of communication.

Wiersma: our aim is to grow, so we need to be on internet. Alexander has to do this in his evenings and free days. It's a large piece of work. We must support him with information.

--- Big applause for Alexander.

Hildering: Non-productive messages, fully negative messages should not be in the forum.

Leo Springer: I know it's a lot of work but it's a pity there are so many empty pages.

16. Propaganda

17. Varia & closing

Shovkoplyas: The federations are asked to give their remarks on text changes in statutes. November, statutes will be discussed at CD.

First task for me: see FMJD comes in IOC.

In conclusion: thanks for organisation: hotel and so on...

I wish everybody happiness and the recognition of draughts all over the world.

Pawlicki: I have still some questions about qualification and World Championship Women.

Yatsenko: 1 participant per country that has qualifier, up to 3 participants for other country. Food and hosting will be taken care for. It will take place first 3 weeks of October. Deadline is 20 October, so people can arrange travel and visa for Zeeland. Before the first Thursday of September, candidate-participants have to be announced by federations.

The format will depend on the number of participants (Swiss or round robin).

Pawlicki: We have nothing now, no exact date, ... Let Tournament Director do her work and make regulation and so on.

Presman: No time, we would like to close. We would like to thank Ukraine to organise the qualification tournament.

Fokkink: in the same period we have Bijlmer Tournament (in October, with GMI Zoja Golubjeva and 3 masters: Altschul, Kamyshleeva and Chub) and Dutch Championships. So it makes it difficult to play then.

Hildering: next week, we will have to arrange everything with Eleonora Bubbi.

Van Beek: about WADA: players have to be informed there could be doping control. Not that doping is a problem in our sport, but they have to know.

Samb (?): I address to Mr. Yatsenko: Mali had its vice-president in FMJD. Mali organised WC women and juniors. I want him to retract we're asking for money.

Fall: I demand no insulting or discriminatory talk.

Yatsenko: the annotations will give proof if I was insulting...

Closing of the meeting.

	Federations	Active	No Debt	Present + mandate	Mandates from whom	Votes
1	Armenia	1				0
2	Australia	1	1			0
3	Azerbaijan	1				0
4	Barbados	1	1			0
5	Belarus	1	1			0
6	Belgium	1	1	2	France	2
7	Brazil	1	1			0
8	Burkina Faso (new)	0				0
9	Cameroon	1		(1+0)	(Ivory Coast)	0
10	Canada	1				0
11	Congo Brazzaville	1				0
12	Costa Rica	1				0
13	Croatia	1				0
14	Curaçao	1				0
15	Czech Rep.	1	1	1		1
16	Dom. Republic	1				0
17	England	1	1	2	Wales	2
18	Estonia	1	1	1		1
19	France	1	1	0+0	(Italy)	0
20	Gambia	1	1	(1)		0
21	Georgia	1				0
22	Germany	1	1	1		1
23	Ghana	0				0
24	Grenada	1				0
25	Guinea	1				0
26	Haiti	1				0
27	India	1	1			0
28	Israel	1	1			0
29	Italy	1	1			0
30	Ivory Coast	1		1		0
31	Kazakhstan	1				0
32	Latvia	1				0
33	Lebanon	0				0
34	Lithuania	1	1			0
35	Mali	1		1	Gambia	0
36	Mauritania	1	1	1	(Fall)	1
37	Moldavia	1	1			0
38	Mongolia	1	1			0
39	Pakistan	0				0
40	Panama	1				0
41	Poland	1	1	2	Lithuania	2
42	Portugal	0				0
43	Russia (RDF)	1	1			0
44	Russia (RIDF)	1	1	1		1
45	Senegal	1	1	1	(Samb)	1
46	Slovakia	1				0
47	Slovenia	0				0
48	South Africa	1	1			0
49	Surinam	1				0
50	Switzerland	1				0
51	Tajikistan	0				0
52	The Netherlands	1	1	2	South Africa	2
53	Trinidad & Tobago	1				0
54	Turkmenistan	1				0
55	Ukraine	1	1	1		1
56	USA	1	1	2	Barbados	2
57	Uzbekistan	1				0
58	Wales	1	1			0
		51	27	18		17

				(21 present)		
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