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To:
President of the FMJD, Mr. Janek Mäggi

General Secretary of the FMJD, Mr. Yyriy Chertok

All national draughts federations

Dear All,

The Latvia Draughts Federation contacted the President of the FMJD Mr. Janek Mäggi and the FMJD Executive Council in Spring 2021 about the decision of the Executive Council of the FMJD to hold the World Title Match between Mr. Alexander Georgijev and Mr. Roel Boomstra in spite the fact that Mr. Alexander Georgijev refused to play this match. The FMJD Executive Council decided to postpone this match to the Autumn 2021, which is actually after the planned World Championship tournament in Tallinn in June and July 2021.

In response to the conclusions of the special commission (created by request of the Latvia Draughts Federation) that FMJD Annexes are not specific enough on World Title matches, the Latvia Draughts Federation proposes to amend FMJD Annex No.17 as follows:

1) To add two following sentences (in Bold) to the Article No.11 so it reads as follows:

11. Right for the World Title Match.

If the ex-champion has lost his title in the tournament for the World Championship he has the right to challenge the new champion to a World Title Match. If the ex-champion has retained his title in the World Championship tournament, the player ended on the second place in the World Championship has the right to challenge the current World Champion to a World Title Match.

When a world title match cannot be played the World Champion keeps his title but does not have the right for a title match two years later. Then this right for a title match goes to the numbers 1 and 2 of the World Championship tournament. When the conditions for the world title match are acceptable for the FMJD Executive Council the players have the obligation to play (unless they come with a better possibility). If one of them does not accept the conditions a reserve may take his place. The reserve is the next player from the last World Championship tournament. **When that player does not accept the conditions, the next player medal winner of the last World Championship takes his place, but not below the level of the bronze medalist of the last World Championship. If the bronze medalist of the last**

World Championship also does not accept the conditions, the World Title match is to be announced as cancelled and the current World Champion retains his title.

2) To amend Article No.13, so it reads as follows:

13.Exceptional cases.
Only closure of borders between states represented by the players, prohibition legally imposed by the national state to the player to travel to another state or hospitalisation of the player can be considered as exceptional cases. If the Executive Board determines that an exceptional case exists, the World Title match should be postponed under the condition that the match ends no later than three months before the beginning of the regular World Championship tournament. If this is not possible, the match should not be played at all.

Best regards,
Chairman of the Executive Board
of the Latvia Draughts Federation Vladislavs Vesperis

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