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Zen Nippon Kendo Renmei
Japan

Dear Sirs,

The Kendo Section of the Swedish Budo Federation (SBF), which also administers iaido in Sweden, would like to present the following views on account of the 1977 World Kendo Championship.

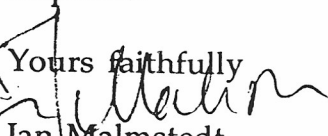
The development of iaido in Sweden and the rest of Europe has been considerable, particularly in Sweden where we have seen a rapidly growing interest in the sport. It is of utmost importance for iaido as well as for kendo that opportunities to compete at a high level are given in the country from which the sports originate.

The Kendo Section of SBF would hereby like to appeal to Zen Nippon Kendo Renmei to organize the World Iaido Championship in connection with the World Kendo Championship in 1977.

A possibility to participate in a World Championship would be very encouraging for the numerous iaidokas in Sweden and other European countries and stimulate intensified training.

We thank you in advance for considering our appeal and hope for a positive response.

Yours faithfully


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