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To the Members of IKF Board of Directors
To the Representatives of IKF Affiliated Organizations

Dear Sir,

The 1975 IKF Board of Directors' Meeting was held in Japan this April.

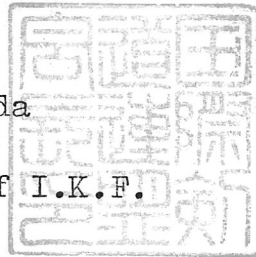
At this meeting, the decisions as per attached sheets were taken in accordance with the IKF Constitution.

Please note that the decisions taken for Agenda 8 will be informed to you in the form of the "Program and Regulations" of the 3rd World Kendo Championships and sent to you along with the official invitation soon. (The schedule however, will be informed to you under this present cover.)

Sincerely yours,

Kazuto Ishida

President of I.K.F.



DECISIONS AT THE 1975 IKF BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

Date : 11 and 12 April 1975

Site : Hotel Mount Fuji Conference Hall

Participants :

President-T. KIMURA (First day) K. ISHIDA (Second day)

Vice Presidents (in alphabetical order by nation)-

T-J. SHIEH (China) K.OHYA (Japan)

R.V.SANDOR (Sweden) T.NAKAHARA (U.S.A.)

Directors (in alphabetical order by nation)-

T.TOIDA (Brazil) C-Y.LIU (China)

C.HAMOT (France) V.HARRIS (G.Britain)

T.HEDANI (Hawaii) K.TAKIZAWA (Japan)

K.KODAMA (Japan) S.ARAI (Japan)

C.DURIX (Morocco)

Secretary General - T.KASAHARA

Auditor - F.DETTWILER (Switzerland)

(Absentees) Vice President - Y-H.BAE (Korea)

Director - M.ISHIHARA (Japan) H-M.DO (Korea)

M.MIYAHARA (U.S.A.)

Auditor - M.NODA (Canada)

Out of the 12 Directors, 9 attended this year's meeting, meaning the quorum was reached in accordance with Article 21 of the IKF Constitution. President Kimura presided the meeting as Chairman. Secretary General Kasahara was appointed to act as the moderator by the Chairman.

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RECOGNIZING THE ORGANIZATIONS APPLYING FOR AFFILIATION

a) Italy (Name of the Organization: A.I.K.)

The AIK has already completed the application procedures for affiliation to IKF in accordance with Article 2 of the Appendix to the IKF Constitution.

According to the studies up to date, AIK seems to be the most powerful organization in Italy. However, it is still not fully recognizable as the "National Kendo Association or Federation" stipulated in Article 2 of the IKF Constitution.

Therefore, under the condition that the following items be clearly stated in the AIK Constitution, the Meeting passed a provisional recognition of the said association, and has entrusted the final decision to Vice-President Sandor and Secretary General Kasahara. The conditions are:

1. that AIK shall at any time take friendly attitudes in accepting or exchanging activities with the other Kendo bodies in Italy;
2. that the affiliation to and withdrawal from the Association be at the free will of the members;
3. that the rights and duties of each member be equal.
(e.g. Every member shall be granted the qualifications and chance to take Dan and Kyu examinations.)

b) Poland

In accordance with the provision of Article 2 of the Appendix to the IKF Constitution, the organization in question must first affiliate itself to EKF and then apply for affiliation to IKF.

When and if these procedures are completed, its affiliation to IKF shall be recognized by the approval of the officials before the opening of the 3rd World Kendo Championships.

c) Argentina and New Zealand

This matter shall be submitted to the next Board of Directors' Meeting.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 1974

Income and Expenses Statement

Period: April 1, 1974 - March 31, 1975

Income:

Membership Fee	US\$	30.00 *	
Annual Fee		540.00 **	
Donation		34.60 ***	
Interest Earned		<u>13.99</u>	<u>US\$ 618.59</u>

Expenses:

Postage	321.30	
Translation Fee	584.26	
Printing Charges	117.08	
Entertainment & Social	96.88 ****	
Miscellaneous Exp.	<u>70.27</u>	<u>US\$ 1,189.79</u>

Net Income This Period US\$ Δ 571.20

Remarks:


- * from Singapore
- ** Fiscal Year 1973...Australia, R.O.China
Fiscal Year 1974...Netherland, U.S.A., Malaysia, W.Germany ,
Switzerland,Australia,Brazil, G.Britain,
Belgium, Singapore, HongKong,Sweden,
Japan, France, R.O.China
Fiscal Year 1975...Hawaii
- *** from Mrs.H.Mochidome(U.S.A.)
- **** to the late Mr.M.Mochida,10-Dan (Japan)
the late Mr.S.Mochidome,Secretary (U.S.A.)

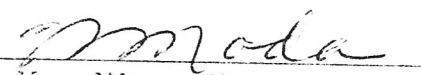
Computation of Surplus Account As of March 31, 1975

Surplus Brought Forward	US\$ 797.98
Net Income This Period	<u>Δ 571.20</u>
Surplus Carried Forward	<u>US\$ 226.78</u>

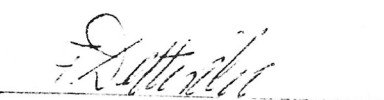
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Prepared by:

Inspected by:


Toshiaki Kasahara
Secretary Gen. of IKF


Mr. Misao Noda
Auditor of IKF

April 10, 1975


Mr. Fritz Dettwiler
Auditor of IKF

VENUE TO BE PROPOSED FOR THE 4TH WORLD

KENDO CHAMPIONSHIPS IN 1979

There were many proposals requesting the said Championships to be held in the Asian area, especially in Japan.

The officials of the All Japan Kendo Federation, after a discussion, replied that they shall decide, taking into full consideration the opinions of the Meeting, and by submitting the matter to an All Japan Kendo Federation body.

The final decision will be taken at the next General Assembly (April 1976, London).

PROPOSALS BY THE OFFICIALS

(A) Proposal of Vice-President Nakahara

The 1st International Youth Kendo Tournament, sponsored by the All Japan Kendo-Dojo Federation was held in July, 1974.

Since Kendo is important for boys who are to bear the responsibility for the coming generation, we would like this Tournament to be sponsored by the IKF. In the meantime, the organization can be entrusted to the Dojo Federation.

The Reply from the Headquarters:

The IKF fully recognizes the importance of Kendo among the youth. This attitude is shown in the fact that a "Youth Division" has been established for the goodwill match to be held during the 3rd World Kendo Championships.

It is permissible for the All Japan Kendo Federation and the All Japan Kendo-Dojo Federation to hold a Taikai on international basis aiming at the cultivation of and friendship among the young people. However, it is not desirable to refer to it as an "International Tournament."

(B) Proposal of Director Hedani

When there is an international exchange of matches or practices among the Kendo-ka from various countries, each Kendo-ka should be advised, in his own country, to take up insurance against accidents.

The Reply from the Headquarters:

Understood.

STANDARD RULES FOR DAN-EXAMINATION

- International Kendo Federation -

Any Dan-grading granted by a member organization of IKF shall be mutually recognized as being equivalent to one granted by another. However, for the organizations which belong to the EKF, the EKF's Dan shall be the sole standard for mutual recognition. (Resolution at the Board of Directors' Meeting 1974.)

Each organization shall lay down its rules for the above mentioned Dan examination in accordance with the following standards:

1. General Provision

The Dan-grades of Kendo with ranks from Sho(1)-Dan to Ju(10)-Dan shall be granted by the Representative of the organization in accordance with the overall Kendo ability of the person concerned.

2. Qualification of Applicants

- a) The applicant must be a registered member of the organization.
- b) The applicant must have undergone the following practice periods:

Applying Dan	Practice Period
1(Sho)-Dan	-
2(Ni) -Dan	Over one year after granting of 1-Dan
3(San)-Dan	Over one year after granting of 2-Dan
4(Yon)-Dan	Over two years after granting of 3-Dan
5(Go) -Dan	Over three years after granting of 4-Dan
6(Roku)-Dan	Over four years after granting of 5-Dan
7(Shichi)-Dan	Over five years after granting of 6-Dan
8(Hachi)-Dan	Over eight years after granting of 7-Dan

3. Examination Subjects

- a) Techniques: A number of matches shall be performed among the applicants (no scoring is made).
- b) Kata:
- 1-Dan ... 1 - 3 Bon-me or more
 - 2-Dan ... 1 - 5 Hon-me or more
 - 3-Dan ... 1 - 7 Hon-me
 - 4-Dan and over ... 1 - 7 Hon-me and
Kodachi 1 - 3 Bon-me
- c) Written Test: Questions on Kendo shall be given.
- d) Judging Capability: Applicable only for high-grade examinees.

4. Qualification and Number of Judges and Passing Conditions

Dan to be judged	Qualification of judges	Number of judges	Passing condition
1-Dan	3-Dan and over	$\frac{5}{3}$	$\frac{\text{consent of min. 3 judges}}{\text{consent of min. 2 judges}}$
2-Dan	4-Dan and over	$\frac{5}{3}$	$\frac{\text{consent of min. 3 judges}}{\text{consent of min. 2 judges}}$
3-Dan	5-Dan and over	5	consent of min. 3 judges
4-Dan	6-Dan and over	$\frac{7}{5}$	$\frac{\text{consent of min. 5 judges}}{\text{consent of min. 4 judges}}$
5-Dan	7-Dan and over	$\frac{7}{5}$	$\frac{\text{consent of min. 5 judges}}{\text{consent of min. 4 judges}}$
6-Dan	7-Dan and over	7	consent of min. 5 judges
7-Dan	7-Dan and over	7	consent of min. 5 judges

5. The examinations for Kyus and for 8-Dan and over shall be determined by each organization.
6. The application fee and registration fee involved in the examination shall be determined in accordance with the regulations of each organization.
7. When and if a Dan holder misrepresents his Dan or when he commits actions which disgrace the authority of the Dan, the Representative of the organization may deprive him of his Dan.

Supplementary Provision

The Dan-grade of each person shall be certified internationally by the card below issued by the organization. This card will conveniently enable the IKF member organization to recognize one's Dan upon presentation.

KENDO PROFILE CERTIFICATE				serial No. _____
Name	surname		given name(s)	
	Mr. Ms.			
Date of Birth			Nationality	
Place of Birth			Membership-Organization	
Grade	Date	Place	Representative's Signature	
-Dan	19__			
-Dan	19__			
-Dan	19__			
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-Dan	19__			

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MATTERS CONCERNING OFFICIALS

1. Mr. Kimura expressed his intention of resigning his post as President. At the same time, he recommended Mr. Kazuto Ishida, President of the All Japan Kendo Federation (former Justice of the Supreme Court) as his successor.

This was recognized unanimously (effective in accordance with the IKF Constitution, Article 10).

2. Mr. Ishida accepted his assignment to the post of Presidency.
3. President Ishida recommended granting Mr. Kimura the title of Honorary President. This was recognized unanimously.

It was agreed that there is no need to make amendments in the IKF Constitution as concerns the Honorary President.

REPORT FROM ALL JAPAN KENDO FEDERATION

The concept of Kendo is to discipline the human character through the application of the principles of the Katana.

The purpose of practising Kendo is:

To mold the mind and body,
To cultivate a vigorous spirit,
And through correct and rigid training,
To strive for improvement in the art of Kendo;
To hold in esteem human courtesy and honor,
To associate with others with sincerity,
And to forever pursue the cultivation of oneself.

Thus will one be able

To love his country and society,
To contribute to the development of culture,
And to promote peace and prosperity
among all peoples.

March 20, 1975

All Japan Kendo Federation

EVENTS AND PROGRAM OF 3WKC

April 1976

- 13 (Tue) All the delegations arrive in London
- 14 (Wed) IKF-Meeting Match Drawing Welcome Party
- 15 (Thu) IKF-Meeting Seminars Goodwill Match
- 16 (Fri) Training (transfer to Milton Keynes)
Meeting of Judges and Managers
- 17 (Sat) Team Championship Dan-Examination
- 18 (Sun) Individual Championship Farewell Party
- 19 (Mon) Training (transfer to London) Breakup