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Ladies and Gentlemen :

1999 FOREIGN KENDO LEADER'S SUMMER SEMINAR

We are happy to announce the 1999 program of the 24th Summer Seminar organized by All Japan Kendo Federation.

The Summer Seminar had been designed to train many Kendoka of different levels outside Japan. Therefore, we invited not only senior Kendoka but also junior Kendoka in the past from as many countries as possible. Fortunately, in these days, the Kendo population has increased dramatically, so has the number of senior Kendoka. Seminars and Championships held outside Japan each year have started playing an important role in the growth of Kendo. Your contribution has been greatly appreciated in this regard. As something may be different from the previous program, in order to aim at an actual fruitful seminar to the end, those who apply for the first time and those who hold grades above 3rd Dan shall be given priority to as the qualification and conditions for participation in the seminar. We expect, therefore, ardent graders holding 3rd Dan and above in particular to join in the seminar.

The outline of the program is as follows:

1. Term : July 30 (Thursday) through August 6 (Thursday), 1999
2. Place : Gedatsukai Kenshu Center
Kitamoto-shi, Saitama Pref. (1 hour from Ueno Station by train)
3. Qualification of Participants :
 - 1) Member of your organization
 - 2) Those who are current instructors or potential instructors
 - 3) Those above 3rd Dan and/or who are regarded as having proficiency above 3rd Dan in Kendo
 - 4) Those above 3rd Dan and/or who are regarded as having proficiency above 3rd Dan in Kendo, and who have been living in Japan to study Kendo are admissible.

4. Number of Participants : A total of approx. 50

We don't limit the exact number of participants per organization.
But we need to make some adjustment if a total number exceeds 50.
So please show us the order of your preference to candidate attendees
who are filled in the application form attached herewith.

5. Curriculum : Fundamental Practice, Drill in Techniques, Kendo-Kata, Ji-Geiko, Refereeing, Coaching, etc. For our reference, every trainee is requested to turn in the filled-in sheet of "Questionnaire" on what subject(s) trainee want to learn in particular. upon receiving the specified form which is supposed to be sent directly to him in due course.
Iaido has been eliminated. Proper handling of Iai-toh will be taught in Kendo-Kata lecture. An appropriate dojo nearby will be recommended after the Camp to those who want to study more about Iaido, but on their account.
6. Dan Examination : ZNKR Dan (4 through 6 in Kendo) Examination will be held for the participants as option. The application for this examination will be accepted by submitting the filled application form attached herewith as well as a copy of the current DAN certificate at the stage of notification of one's enrollment. The DAN examination is scheduled to be held just after the end of the seminar (Aug. 6, '99).
7. Expenses :
- a) Each participant will pay for his/her own round-trip ticket to Tokyo.
 - b) ZNKR will bear the most of expenses during the course of training (accommodations, meals and parties) and 5,000 yen for domestic transportation.
8. Subsidy : Put a circle around the priority number which is shown in the attached sheet of application form, if subsidy is requested. Then, the most appropriate persons eligible for the subsidy will be selected at the screening committee, ZNKR, taking your arbitrary letter of reason why you request for it into consideration. However, please note that every applicants for subsidy are not accepted. The results of the selected applicants and the amount will be notified.
9. Application: Fill in the enclosed application form and mail it back to ZNKR by April 30, 1999. We will appreciate your strictly observing this deadline date. The registered applicants will be notified by May 31, 1999. Further information in detail including "QUESTIONNAIRE" sheet will be mailed to the registered applicants together with acknowledgement of the selected applicants for subsidy.

We are looking forward to your recommending eligible applicants who are eager to participate in the seminar.

Sincerely yours,



Y. Takeyasu
President
All Japan Kendo Federation

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