

**74<sup>th</sup> FIDE Congress**  
**Youth and Junior Events Committee**  
**28 October 2003**  
**Report**

Chairman: Mr. P.T. Ummer Koya.

Present: Oganessian Gaguik (ARM), D Buthale (BOT), Lewis Ncube (ZAM), Ali Nihat Yazici (TUR), Antonio Curado (POR), Francis Jeitz (LUX), Vladimir Sakotic (SCG), Ramon N. Barrera (ARG), Abd Hamid Majid (MAS), William Kelleher (USA), Robert Tanner (USA), Tim Redman (USA), Alexander Kostyev (ISCU), Evgeny Eletsy (RUS), Minas Voulgaridis (GRE), Sklavounos Panagiotis (GRE), Mahdi Abdul Rahim (UAE), Yousef Ahmed Baselaib (UAE), Derrick V Perrera (SRI), Ignatius Leong (SIN), S. L. Harsh (IND), Jan Heinrich (SVK), Florencio B. Campomanes (FIDE), Yasodananda K. Areti (BAR), Antunac Goran (CRO), Pahlevanzadeh Mehrdad (IRI), Margareta Juncu (ROM).

1. Chairman of the Committee FIDE Vice President P.T. Ummer Koya welcomed all members and said he felt encouraged with the response for this meeting.
2. Chairman welcomed FIDE Deputy President Mr. Makropoulos to address the meeting. The Deputy President mentioned that there were 2 urgent items that needed to be discussed as follows:
  - a) The question of visa assurance for all FIDE events, especially when there have been cases where chess events have been used for defections/illegal entry into countries.
  - b) The question of late entries for major FIDE events with emphasis on big junior events.
3. Honorary President F. Campomanes and Vice President I. Leong also addressed the meeting emphasizing the importance, especially of the junior events.
4. A sub-Committee of the following people was appointed to address the Deputy President's concern as per point 2a.
  - a) I. Leong (SIN) – Chairman
  - b) A. N. Yazici (TUR)
  - c) D. Perreira (BAN)
  - d) Y. Basaleem (UAE)
  - e) A. Kostyev (RUS)
  - f) A. Hamid Majid (MAS)
  - g) D. Buthali (BOT)

A sub-Committee of the following people was appointed to come up with guidelines for promotional junior chess events (inter-continental).

- a) A.. Nihat Yazici (TUR)
- b) I. Leong (SIN)
- c) R. Tanner (USA)
- d) L. Ncube (ZAM)
- e) G. Antunac (CRO)

The recommendations of both sub-Committees shall be made available to the Executive Board meeting.

5. The recommendations of the Deputy President Mr. Makropoulos on late arrivals for major junior events, where the first round was delayed, was addressed. It was recommended that all participants physically present must be paired and late arrivals etc. to be paired/excluded/paired only for the second round to be decided by the Technical Committee. The event must start on time.
6. The Chairman thanked all present for their attendance.

P.T. Ummer Koya  
Chairman

### **Sub Committee Report for FIDE Youth and Junior Events Committee**

World Youth Team Sub Committee

Ali Nihat Yazici (TUR), Lewis Ncube (ZAM), I. Leong (SIN), R. Tanner (USA).

It is proposed that a new FIDE team event shall be instituted, that being a “World Continental Youth Team Championship”.

The structure of this event shall be as follows:

- 5 teams in a 10-round double round-robin. The teams being: Africa, Americas, Asia, Europe, Host country.
- Each team shall be comprised of one representative in each of the 10 sections of the World Youth.
- The event shall be contested over 8 days; the number of daily rounds being: 1, 2, 1, 2, 1, 2, 1 with the awards following round 10 on the last day and the technical meeting being held on the day prior to play. One team shall have a bye each round.
- Time controls shall be the same as in the World Youth Championship.
- The Continental Boards shall determine the method of team selection with the recommendation of a continental team championships.
- A fee of SFr 1, 000 shall be paid by the host Federation to FIDE.
- Accommodations for each team (comprised of 10 players, one chairperson and 2 coaches) shall be paid for by the Organiser.
- Travel expenses for their team shall be paid for by each Continental Board.
- The minimal prizes to be awarded by the host shall be a cup or comparable award to 1) each member of the winning team and 2) to the best individual result on each board.
- A solicitation shall be distributed to all FIDE member nations seeking hosts for this event.
- Options to host this event in the years 2004 and 2005 shall be awarded at the 1<sup>st</sup> Presidential Board meeting in 2004.
- The following countries have expressed a desire to submit for an option to host this event: India, Iran, United States of America.
- Any host Federation must guarantee all required visas.

It is proposed that team (by country) standings be calculated for the World Youth Championships with appropriate prizes.

- The scores of the highest scoring player for each country in each section of the World Youth Championships shall be collated to give a list of standings for each country.
- If there is a tie in the team scores, a tie break using the players' number of placements shall be calculated.
- Each of the top 10 scoring countries shall be entitled to bring one additional player, in a section of their choice, to the next World Youth Championships.

### **Annex to Report of Youth and Junior Events Committee**

There were reports from the World Youth Under 16 Chess Olympiad in Turkey, and World Youth Chess Championships in Greece 2003 that members of the delegation of Somalia obtained visas on the pretext of participation to these events, but did not complete or show up in the venues without excuse.

Youth and Juniors Event Committee resolved that FIDE shall investigate on reports that representatives registered on the pretext of participation in a FIDE event but do not arrive and all do not complete the event.

If no acceptable explanation is provided by the national chess federation with official documents from relevant authorities (national olympic committee, sports ministry, ministry of immigration etc.) then the federation shall be suspended from all FIDE events for a period of three years starting from the date of the last day of the event in question.

The national chess federation may appeal against that suspension at a Presidential Board meeting and/or executive board meeting to clarify their situation.

Upon reinstatement, future participation shall be accompanied with original documents certifying their participation by relevant authorities.

Youth and Juniors Events Committee recommend suspension of Somalia from all FIDE events for the next three years with immediate effect.

The committee also advises that after visas are issued to participants and delegation arrives with less than the number of participants, the national chess federation is responsible to provide prior notification to the host federation.