

**74<sup>th</sup> FIDE Congress**  
**CACDEC**  
**29 October 2003**  
**Report**

**Chairmen: Israel Gelfer (ISR), Allan Herbert (BAR).**

Present: M. Schinis (CYP), L. Ncube (ZAM) (Secretary), A. Kareti (BAR), A. Treu (SUR), M. Voulgaridis (GRE), T. Redman (USA), A. Kostyev (ISCU), I. Leong (SIN), D. Buthali (BOT), J. Heinrich (SVK), E. Omuku (FIDE Executive Director), L. Mazouz (ALG), D. Pereira (SRI), N. Palladino (ITA), G. Anaya (CUB), S. Garcia (CUB), S.L. Harsh (IND), A. Scalfi (ITA), M.S. Yousufzai (AFG), G. Qaderi (AFG), G. Antunac (CRO), F. Pedrazzini (ITA), L. Kagambi (KEN), F. Gasanov (AZE), G. Cesar (DOM), A. Santos (ECU), . Barrera (ARG).

The Co-Chairman I. Gelfer opened the meeting and welcomed the participants on his and Co-Chairman A. Herbert's behalf.

Mr. Gelfer informed the meeting that the CACDEC Secretary Ms. Mary McDermott was unwell and proposed Lewis Ncube of Zambia to serve as Assistant Secretary. There were no objections and Mr. Ncube duly assumed the CACDEC Secretarial duties.

1. Report of Co-Chairmen.

Mr. I. Gelfer informed the meeting of the frustrations in 2003 arising from failure to execute CACDEC projects on account of FIDE's financial position.

Out of the budgeted CHF 240, 000 CACDEC only managed to expend CHF 17, 000.

A number of projects were conceded with some earmarked for deferment. The Sri Lanka Federation however proceeded with the implementation of their designated project during the ASEAN Games pending reimbursement from CACDEC.

The grant for the All Africa Games in Abuja, Nigeria could not be paid. This was again on account of FIDE's financial position. The Chess in Schools Committee produced a booklet with contributions from Co-Chairman I. Gelfer and GM Utut Adianto (INA). These booklets were distributed to all Federations. The CACDEC Co-Chairman expressed support for the America's Continental President's proposal and indicated the need to lobby the Executive Board for its adoption. This proposal is annexed.

Mr. Gelfer also expressed the need for CACDEC to lobby the Presidential Board as well as relevant authorities for the allocation of funds to projects to be released by the FIDE Treasurer.

Mr. Gelfer paid tribute to the excellent working relationship with his Co-Chairman Mr. Allan Herbert.

Mr. Allan Herbert expressed his support for Mr. Gelfer's report on the year under review. He also expressed his hope that the Executive Board will find solutions to enable CACDEC projects progress.

Mr. Herbert reported that at a meeting held in Bath, England, with the FIDE Treasurer the priority of CACDEC projects was addressed. However, no extra funding was forthcoming. Minutes of the Bath meeting are annexed.

The University of Texas at Dallas Scholarship project was one of the priorities. A contribution of CHF 7, 500 from CACDEC was earmarked to assist supplement the travel and living expenses for the scholarship winner.

## 2. The University of Texas at Dallas Scholarship Project.

Whilst the University of Texas at Dallas Scholarship was approved in 2002, selection of the first candidate needs to be speedily resolved. The scholarship award was designed to benefit Africa, America and the Asian Continents on a rotational basis. The first beneficiary was agreed as Africa and it is expected that the choice for the candidate to enroll in the 2004 academic year will be concluded within the next few months.

In handing over the floor to Prof. T. Redman of University of Texas at Dallas, Mr. Herbert urged the African Continental President to ensure that a candidate was finalized within the shortest possible time.

In his presentation Prof. Redman presented a historical perspective of University of Texas at Dallas decision to establish a chess programme as the focus of the institution's identity. He also informed the meeting about the strength of University of Texas at Dallas in computer science and engineering related disciplines.

In highlighting the genesis of the University of Texas at Dallas scholarship program after contact with Mr. I. Gelfer, Prof. Redman emphasized the need for CACDEC to move quickly in finalizing the choice of the candidate as time-trouble was imminent.

Prof. Redman informed the meeting that the University of Texas at Dallas Chess program has been running since 1995 with all current scholarship beneficiaries being admitted on their academic proficiency and their chess talent.

The latest admissions to the chess program are

IM Dmitry Shneider of USA  
IM Amon Simutowe of Zambia  
IM Magesh Chandran of India

Prof. Redman paid tribute to IM A. Simutowe's academic performance in the 1<sup>st</sup> semester in which he achieved a grade point average of 4 after settling down well.

The University of Texas at Dallas Scholarship project involves the following:

- tuition for 4 years amounting to USD 60, 000
- housing expenses supplement of USD 1, 000 per year
- the player must be from a CACDEC Federation
- All applicants must pass the TOEFL and SAT tests
- Eligible candidates must have average SAT score of 1000-1400, above 1300 is recommended
- For visa purposes the scholarship winner must demonstrate financial capability to pay full living costs for a year.
- Scholarship winners who are titled players will be entitled to a training stipend of USD 2, 500
- The scholarship is open to undergraduate students (note graduate students may apply for Teaching Assistantship under a different route which is subject to different conditions).
- A deadline of 20<sup>th</sup> April 2004 has been set for finalization of enrolment formalities.

It was agreed that the CACDEC Co-Chairmen, Prof. Redman and the African Continental President should come up with a timetable for finalization of the selection process for the 2004 scholarship winner.

- Prof. Redman informed the meeting that University of Texas at Dallas will have a new President soon as Prof F. Jennifer had announced his retirement. Prof. Redman paid tribute to Prof. Jennifer for his contribution in the realization of the University of Texas at Dallas Chess Program and its subsequent development.
- Prof. Redman also informed the meeting of recent development on a strategic alliance with Texas Instruments, the giant American Computer multinational.
- Following up on Prof. Redman's presentation, Co-Chairman I. Gelfer outlined a vision of intense competition for the opportunity to study at a prestigious university.
- A future where other universities would also be requested to offer other similar scholarship programs and opportunities was a subsequent target of CACDEC as further outlined by Mr. Gelfer.
- In acknowledging the arrival of Honorary President F. Campomanes for the meeting Mr. Gelfer paid tribute for his work in putting together and implementing the ideals of CACDEC. He thanked Mr. Campomanes for the inheritance of CACDEC, which he greatly treasured.

### III. The Trinidad and Tobago Project.

- A pilot project designed to provide a center that caters for children and adults to access regular lessons on a community basis was initiated in Trinidad and Tobago.
- The support of the municipality and sports authorities was highlighted when Mr. Gelfer met the mayor and the Minister of Sport.
- With over 100 participants now frequenting the centre, the encouragement to local authorities for continued perseverance is well placed.
- It is hoped that the Trinidad and Tobago project will provide an example for initiation of similar projects especially in Africa.

### IV. Restructuring of the CACDEC List.

- The report by the economist, Mr. Kevin Greenidge, proposing the review of CACDEC listing and membership criteria has been submitted to the Co-Chairmen.
- After completing their review of the report, the Co-Chairmen will circulate this report to Federations with relevant comments.
- Dr. Areti of Barbados proposed a modification to the criteria for earmarking Federations requiring Technical and Financial Assistance as provided in the CACDEC levels. Dr. Areti recommended that there should be no levels. Federations in the list could be identified for what percentage of budget will be supported.
- Mr. Campomanes recommended that inactive Federations should be delisted from the CACDEC membership.
- Participation in chess Olympiads was viewed to be a vital component of development for CACDEC members with most members in the meeting agreeing with Mr. Campomanes.
- The restructuring and final decision on listing will be arrived at after the evaluation of the Greenidge report by all Federations as earlier indicated.

- Mr. Gelfer expressed the view that CACDEC membership should be dynamic with Federations striving to graduate from CACDEC through development paving the way for self-sustenance.
- CACDEC members were encouraged to return the questionnaire which was designed to update the records held by FIDE and the CACDEC Commission.

V. Other matters.

- Mr. Derek Pereira of Sri Lanka informed the meeting that his Federation did not receive the 8 digital clocks indicated as having been sent. He requested CACDEC to investigate this matter and divert the clocks to other needy Federations as the Sri Lankan Federation had recently acquired clocks through other means.
- Mr. Pereira also expressed the need for improved communication with regard to publications and the distribution of equipment.
- Mr. Schinis of Cyprus queried the grant of USD 7, 500 given to US Virgin Islands since it was a level 3 CACDEC member which did not merit financial assistance.
- Mr. Gelfer responded that sometimes this restriction was waived if the project in question merited CACDEC's financial assistance. However, the grant could not be paid.
- Mr. Palladino advised the meeting that the Chess in Schools publications circulated could be transferred and reproduced by CACDEC member Federations without payment of royalties. This was meant to further enhance CACDEC Federations stock of literature without major financial outlay.
- GM Silvino Garcia of Cuba suggested that the assistance to CACDEC members should also involve help in strategic planning beyond financial and technical assistance. This would enhance development of chess activities ever further.
- Mr. Gelfer responded that together with Vice President I. Leong, Prof. Redman and Co-Chairman A. Herbert they were trying to get the Trainers' Committee to work towards producing trainers capable of enhancing CACDEC's work in this area.
- Mr. Gelfer also pointed to the University of Texas at Dallas Scholarship project as CACDEC's vision of going beyond simply providing Technical and Financial Assistance.
- Mr. Campomanes expressed disappointment with some Federations which continued to seek CACDEC financial assistance when it was clear that they were able to manage without this. He also lamented that other Federations had stagnated despite assistance from CACDEC. With this in mind he called for a regular review of the performance of CACDEC members in development activities.
- Mr. Lakhdar Mazouz reiterated that those CACDEC members who do not participate in Chess Olympiads should not be eligible for assistance and should be removed from the CACDEC listing.
- Mr. Gelfer concurred with Mr. Campomanes and Mr. Mazouz. He called for further research to enable subsequent action on a fair basis.
- Mr. Buthali of Botswana commended the work done by the Economist, Kevin Greenidge, and said he looked forward to receiving the full report.

VI. Plans for 2004.

Co-Chairman A. Herbert outlined that the Chairmen were at first hesitant to produce a program for 2004 under the present financial circumstances, but have decided on the priorities as follows:

- i. The University of Texas at Dallas Scholarship Project.

- ii. Restructuring of the CACDEC listing.
- iii. Trainers' Seminar.

A full budget is attached for the projects to be undertaken. Should there be a significant improvement in FIDE's financial position, the Co-Chairmen informed the meeting that the deserved projects would be brought back on line.



Israel Gelfer  
Co-Chairman



Allan Herbert  
Co-Chairman

**CACDEC activities and budget for 2004**

	<b>Budget Zero</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> priority</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> priority</b>	<b>Full Budget</b>
University of Texas at Dallas Project	X		7, 500	7, 500
Trainers' Program	X			
Finalising restructuring CACDEC list	X			
Koltanowsky Conference	X		1, 500	1, 500
Debts for projects made in 2003		35, 000		35, 000
Projects (Seminar and coaches) for 2004		10, 000	40, 000	50, 000
Supporting Continental events		10, 000	25,000	35, 000
Chess Equipment & Literature		9, 900	5, 000	14, 900
Publications			3, 500	3, 500
Travel to CACDEC Federations		5, 000	10, 000	15, 000
Supporting in travel of CACDEC players		5, 000	10, 000	15, 000
Miscellaneous			10, 000	10, 000
	0	<b>74.900</b>	<b>112.500</b>	<b>187, 400</b>

**Minutes of CACDEC Co-Chairmen Meeting**  
**Bath, England, May 10<sup>th</sup> 2003**

**1. List of CACDEC Federations**

It was agreed that the recommendations on revisions to the CACDEC List should be presented to the FIDE Congress in Halkidiki.

To facilitate this it was agreed that the Economist Mr. Kevin Greenidge, who is reviewing the list, will be asked to submit his draft report by the end of July for review and circulation for comment.

The report will also include criteria for adding Federations and graduating them from the list or to different levels.

Mr. Greenidge will also be invited to the FIDE Congress in Halkidiki to present his recommendations. As Mr. Greenidge is volunteering his services it was agreed that his expenses to attend the Congress will be paid by CACDEC.

In the interim Surinam was added to Level 2 in the list and the following to level 1:

- Djibouti
- Honduras
- Iraq
- Ivory Coast
- Kyrgyzstan
- Tajikistan
- Turkmenistan

Annex A contains the amended interim list which will be submitted to FIDE for publication.

**2. 2003 Budget**

Annex B contains the 2003 CACDEC Budget presented to the FIDE Treasurer in Bled.

It was agreed that the Continental Presidents will be written requesting their recommendations for the SF 40 000 allocated for Seminars and the SF 20 000 for talented players from CACDEC Federations to attend competitions.

**3. 2003 Projects Approvals**

Annex C contains the 2003 Chess Set and Chess Clock allocations and the Project Grants approved to date.

The America's CACDEC Proposal, see Annex D, was approved with allocations of SF 16 000 for Seminars and SF 10 000 for Trainers/Coaches. As for Equipment 150 Chess Sets and 24 Chess Clocks were allocated to Surinam and US Virgin Islands and the Continental President was to indicate the allocation for the remaining sets and clocks requested.

The FIDE Treasurer indicated in no uncertain terms that unless the funds owed to FIDE by FIDE Commerce are received there will be no funding available for CACDEC activities or other development commission activities, i.e. Trainers, Chess in Schools, etc., this year.

In light of FIDE's Financial Situation and the fact that it is almost mid-year there is a very real danger that very few of these approvals will be funded.

#### **4. Reporting Requirements for CACDEC Seminars**

As requested by the Development Commission Chairman the following reporting requirements were agreed. Prior to the Seminar the organizing Federation will submit a proposal detailing:

- Proposed dates and location of Seminar
- Anticipated number of participants by Federation
- Instructors
- Agenda with topics to be covered
- Budget of anticipated expenses and sources of funds
- Assistance requested from CACDEC

Once approved, the FIDE Treasurer, funds permitting, would be requested to disburse part of the funds allocated to the Seminar. A portion of the funds will be withheld for disbursement on receipt of a report from the Organizing Federation. This report should include:

- Actual dates and location of Event
- List of participants by Federation represented
- List of Instructors
- Agenda with topics covered
- Statement of Expense Incurred
- Copies of all hand-out/lecture notes distributed

#### **5. University of Texas, Dallas, Scholarship**

The Continental President for Africa in response to a request for the names of African Candidates for the 2003 Scholarship indicated that he would prefer to choose the Candidates based on the results from the African Junior Championships schedule for South Africa.

It was agreed that Professor Tim Redman would written to clarify the timeline for nomination candidates and selection of the scholarship winners.



The requirements for the University of Texas Dallas Scholarship are:

- The University will offer a four year full tuition and fees only scholarship.
- The winner must meet the University's academic matriculation requirements.
- The student must maintain the grade point requirements for renewal each year of the scholarship.
- The winner must take the Test of English as a Foreign Language and make the score stipulated by the University.
- Travel and living expenses in the USA for the four years of the scholarship are the responsibility of the winner. To assist a provision of SF 7 500 was included in the 2003 CACDEC Budget. The University has also included in the scholarship US\$ 1 000 per year towards housing fees in its student apartment complex on campus.

Annex A

**Levels of CACDEC Federations**

Level 1:  
Federations with technical and financial needs:

1. Antigua
2. Afghanistan
3. Belize
4. Bolivia
5. Burkina Faso
6. Djibouti
7. El Salvador
8. Ethiopia
9. Fiji
10. Gambia
11. Ghana
12. Guyana
13. Honduras
14. Iraq
15. Ivory Coast
16. Jamaica
17. Kenya
18. Kyrgyzstan
19. Mali
20. Mauritania
21. Mauritius
22. Madagascar
23. Mongolia
24. Myanmar
25. Namibia
26. Nepal
27. Papua New Guinea
28. Palestine
29. Panama
30. Senegal
31. Seychelles
32. Somalia
33. Sri Lanka
34. Syria
35. Sudan
36. Tajikistan
37. Tanzania
38. Trinidad & Tobago
39. Turkmenistan
40. Yemen
41. Zaire
42. Zambia

Level 2:  
Federations with some technical level but with financial needs:

1. Albania
2. Angola
3. Bangladesh
4. Dominican Rep.
5. Guatemala
6. Nigeria
7. Nicaragua
8. Paraguay
9. Uganda
10. Vietnam
11. Surinam

Level 3:  
Federations with technical needs:

1. Bahamas
2. Bahrain
3. Barbados
4. Bermuda
5. Botswana
6. British Virgin Islands
7. Brunei
8. Cyprus
9. Guernsey & Jersey
10. Faroe Island
11. Jordan
12. Lebanon
13. Macau
14. Malta
15. Netherlands Antilles
16. San Marino
17. South Africa
18. U.S. Virgin Islands
19. Zimbabwe

Annex B

**2003 CACDEC BUDGET**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Quantity</b>	<b>Cost in Swiss Francs</b>	<b>Total in Swiss Francs</b>
Projects	5	8.000,00	40.000,00
Seminar Grants	6	8.000,00	48.000,00
African Games Grant			12.000,00
Chess in Schools Special Project			20.000,00
Scholarship Project			7.500,00
Chess Set	1000	12,00	12.000,00
Chess Clocks	80	100,00	8.000,00
Chess Literature			5.000,00
Coaches	6	5.000,00	30.000,00
CACDEC Player Travel Grants	6	5.000,00	30.000,00
CACDEC Travel Expenses			20.000,00
Contingencies			7.500,00
			<b>240.000,00</b>

Annex C

**2003 CACDEC APPROVALS**

<b>Continent</b>	<b>Federation</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Sets</b>	<b>Clocks</b>	<b>Seminars</b>	<b>Trainers</b>	<b>Grants</b>
Africa	Angola	2	100	12			
Africa	Botswana	3		24			
Africa	Kenya	1		12			
Africa	Mauritius	1	100	12			
Africa	Namibia	1					US 2,000
Africa	Nigeria	2	100	24			CHF 10,000
	Sets to distributed after African Games in Nigeria						
Africa	Seychelles	1		12			
Africa	Somalia	1	100	12			
Africa	Uganda	2	100	12			
Africa	Zambia	1	100				
Africa	Zimbabwe	3		12			
	<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>700</b>	<b>132</b>			
America	Surinam	2	100	12			
America	US Virgin Islands	1	50	12			CHF 7,000
	<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>150</b>	<b>24</b>			
Asia	Bangladesh	2		12			
Asia	Iraq	1	100				
Asia	Kyrgyzstan	1		6			
Asia	Lebanon	3	100	12			
Asia	Mongolia	1		12	CHF 3,000		CHF 6,000
Asia	Nepal	1	100				
Asia	Turkmenistan	1		6			
	<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>300</b>	<b>48</b>			
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>1150</b>	<b>204</b>			

Annex D

## **AMERICA'S CACDEC PROPOSAL**

### **TECHNICAL SEMINARS: (Arbiters, Tournament Directors and Players)**

This seminars are aimed to actualize arbiters and tournament directors not only in the Laws of Chess, but also in the Pairing Procedures, the Computer Pairing Program and the filling of all forms needed to report a tournament. Unfortunately there is a gap on these matters and it is needed to up to date all the people working in this activity and the players themselves.

To optimize the seminars they would be given at the same date of Panamerican events or large tournament in which a lot of people would be present.

The budgeted cost includes transportation and honoraries, in USD.

CITY	FED	EVENT	DATE	COST
Merida	Mexico	Carlos Torre Memorial	14/12/02	1,000
Bogota	Colombia	Panam Youth Festival	Mar/03	1,500
Bs As	Argentina	Continental Championship	Jul/03	1,800
Caracas	Venezuela	Ladies Continental	Aug/03	1,600
Guayaquil	Ecuador	Zonal 2.3	Sep/03	1,600
S.Domingo	Dom. Rep.	Panam Team Ch.	Nov/03	1,500
Tour Caribbean Islands			Date to be fixed	4,000
Sub-total				<b>13,000</b>

### **TECHNICAL SEMINARS (Training)**

This seminars would aim to improve playing and to teach instructors that works with children and grown up players. It is consider that the lecturer will stay one week in each country.

Caribbean Islands	5,000
Central America	4,000
Bolivia-Paraguay	3,800
Sub-total	<b>12,8000</b>

Annex D

**CHESS ITEMS**

Although usually FIDE sends chess sets, clocks and books directly, if they are got in America the cost is cheaper (eg. CACDEC chess sets are costing sfr. 21, CIF and here we can get them at sfr. 16)

1,000 chess sets	10,000
100 clocks	6,000
Books and PC programs	5,000
Sub-total	<b>21,000</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>46,800</b>