



Recommendations to the FIDE Executive Board
Kallithea, Halkidiki, Greece
1 November 2003

The Presidential Board of FIDE met on 1st November 2003 at the Aegean Melathron Hotel to discuss the report of the Verification Commission and the Treasurer's Report concerning the financial state of FIDE.

After deliberations, the Presidential Board makes the following recommendations to the Executive Board :

1. That there should be strong and urgent steps taken to cut FIDE's expenses and exercise stricter budgetary controls.
2. As part of the foregoing measures, the Board recommends the immediate movement of the FIDE Secretariat from Lausanne to Athens.
3. It accepted the decision given by the Executive Director to resign his appointment in accordance with the terms of his contract on personal grounds and accept his new appointment as Assistant to the President and representative to the International Olympic Committee (IOC) in the office of the World Chess Foundation in Lausanne with effect from 1st January 2004.
4. The Board therefore recommends the termination of the contract of all staff at the FIDE Secretariat except the Elista Office.
5. The Board approved a number of measures to cut costs in the Secretariat on such key areas :
 - (i) The cancellation of the FIDE credit card and maintenance of an imprest account for FIDE expenses.
 - (ii) The cancellation of mobile phones subscription in the name of FIDE and the fixing of a monthly amount for the mobile phone usage.
 - (iii) The approval of a job description for the Executive Director and staff of the FIDE Secretariat under the direct supervision of the Deputy President.
6. The appointment of the Executive Director at a later date.