

Proposal made by Nouredine Tabbane, FIDE General Secretary

To change article A.01 - 8.2.(F) of FIDE Statutes

Concern: VERIFICATION COMMISSION

REASONS:

1. Despite the fact that the article A.04 – 15 or FIDE electoral regulations treats about elected commission regulations, except for CACDEC, FIDE doesn't have any regulation concerning its Commissions and sub-Committees. **This is a great lack which needs to be repaired as soon as possible.**

ANALYSES :

1. FIDE Finances are directly and closely connected with Continental finances and must be controlled by all the World Chess. All Continents must be allowed to control their interest. **The four Continents are entitled to have a representative as member of the Verification Commission.**

2. Rules for the election of the Verification Commission members must be clearly specified in the FIDE Regulations. It is necessary to fix the rules according to filling and acceptance of nominations and candidacies and according to the way elections should be conducted.

3. Actually there is no rules concerning the quorum meeting for this Commission.

4. According to the principle that auditors cannot be involved in management it is necessary to fix the rules of incompatibility with all other tasks or offices in FIDE.

Members of this commission must be fully independent from FIDE management or FIDE activity. They cannot accept any other task or be allowed to fulfil any other office in FIDE.

In order to guarantee the inexistence of any conflict of interests members of this commission cannot be nominated as member of any other FIDE Commission or Committee or member of any FIDE event appeal Committee

The acceptance of this proposal needs the amendment of the article A.01- 8.2 (f) of FIDE Statutes.

Actual Article 8.2.(f) :

Permanent FIDE Commissions and their (sub) committees:

(f) Verification Commission – members of this commission will be elected by the general Assembly only. The purpose of this Commission is to review the annual audit findings and report to the General Assembly.

Proposal for a New Article A.01-8.2(f) : Permanent FIDE Commissions and their (sub) committees:

(f) Verification Commission

Article A.01-8.2 (f)- 1: The Verification Commission review the annual audit finding and at least once a year report to the General Assembly or to the Executive Board.

It gives an opinion on any problem raised by a chess player or a FIDE member federation, which is relating to the financial situation of FIDE.

Members of the Verification Commission are fully independent and act only under the authority of their Chairman.

Article A.01-8.2 (f)-2: The Verification Commission consists of four (4) members elected for a four (4) years period by the Continental General Assemblies of Africa, America, Asia and Europe at a rate of one per continent.

After election, this four member will nominate among themselves the Verification Commission Chairman.

Article A.01-8.2 (f)-3: Candidatures to be Member of the Verification Commission must reach FIDE secretariat three (3) months before the date of the opening of the elective general assembly.

The federation of the candidate shall send the letter of candidature to FIDE Secretariat by fax, email or registered mail. FIDE secretariat shall confirm receipt of this letter.

Article A.01-8.2 (f)-4: The election procedure for the Verification Commission members will be the same as described under article A.04 - 15 of FIDE Electoral regulations

In case of absence of candidature or failure of the election, the Continental assembly is authorized to reopen the register of the candidatures or to authorize the new continental president to nominate the representative of the continent at the Verification Commission.

To be elected or nominated candidates must have the written and prior agreement of their national federation. This agreement must be recorded by the FIDE secretariat before the election or the appointment of the candidate.

Article A.01-8.2 (f) – 5: The regularity and the validity of the election or the nomination of one candidate is controlled by the FIDE Constitutional Committee who will take the appropriate decision about confirmation or cancellation of the contested election or nomination.

Article A.01-8.2 (f) – 6: In the event of any vacancy occurring on the Verification Commission, it shall be filled by the Continental President who shall nominate the new representative of the continent for the remaining period.

Article A.01-8.2 (f) – 7: In order to guarantee the inexistence of any conflict of interests members of the Verification Commission cannot be in charge of any other function or mission in FIDE. They cannot be members of the Executive Board nor nominated as member of any other FIDE Commission or Committee. They cannot be nominated as member of any FIDE event appeal Committee.

Article A.01-8.2 (f) – 8: To be valid the Verification Commission meeting needs a quorum of 51 %.

Members of the Verification Commission meet as many times as it is necessary upon convocation of the Chairman of this commission, which shall inform FIDE Treasurer.

Between their meetings it is recommended to Verification Commission members, to consult each other by fax, email or telephone in order to avoid the useless expenses.

Article A.01-8.2 (f) – 9: The expenses inherent to these meetings will be refunded by FIDE if they have been approved before the meeting by FIDE President or FIDE General Secretary.

Article A.01-8.2 (f) – 10: An annual meeting will took place at least three (3) months before the meeting of the General Assembly or that of the Executive Board.

The final annual report of the Verification Commission must reach FIDE Secretariat at least sixty (60) days before the opening of the General Assembly or the opening of the Executive Board meeting.