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Regulations of the World Chess Championship match 2005

1. Organization

- 1.1.

The World Chess Championship Match between World Champion R. Kasimdzhanov and World highest rated player GM, G. Kasparov shall be organized after December 2004 at a venue and exact date to be approved by FIDE.

- 1.2. Governing Body: the World Chess Federation (FIDE).
- 1.3. FIDE shall be responsible for overseeing the preparations, giving directions for all technical aspects related to chess and the Championships, as well as announcement of the dates and venues for the event. FIDE or its appointed Agency shall be responsible specifically for the Internet and electronic display system and all commercial aspects of the World Championships. In any event all commercial aspects including internet and TV coverage of the WCC shall be subject to a separate contract between FIDE or its appointed Agency and the sponsoring entity.
- 1.4. Organiser shall guarantee a minimum prize fund of USD 1,000,000 (one million) plus a minimum of 20% of the prize fund as contribution to FIDE. The whole prize fund and contribution to FIDE shall be net and free of any local tax.

2. Selection of the Organizers.

- 2.1. On 2nd August 2004 FIDE shall open a bidding procedure for the World Chess Championship Match. By the 15th of September 2004, the bidding procedure shall be closed. By its next Presidential Board meeting (October 2004), FIDE shall announce the Organizers and the selected venue(s) and any amendment or modification of regulations for the match.
- 2.2. Each applicant shall pay a non-refundable fee of USD 1,000 (one thousand) to obtain the obligatory bidding form and the necessary information from the FIDE Secretariat. At any time, when the bidding procedure fails, the Presidential Board shall decide, where, when and how the Championship will be organized.
- 2.3. Each proposal shall contain the following particulars:
 - a. The proposed tournament venue;

- b. The proposed prize fund in U.S. Dollars.
- c. A statement that special rates for hotel rooms and meals for the participants, journalists and accompanying persons will be available;
- d. A statement that the applicant accepts all the demands made in these regulations;
- e. The applicant's name, signatures and authentications;
- f. Two bank guarantees shall be provided. One for the proposed prize fund comprising 33% of this sum and the other for the sum of USD 50,000 in respect of other obligations. Both guarantees will be valid for 6 months.

2.4. FIDE may exercise the right to reject any bid application if the conditions as stated in Article 2.3 above are not met or the financial offer is unsatisfactory.

2.4.1. No bidder can have a sponsor advertising products or services which are not in line with the ethic requirements set by the International Olympic Committee (IOC).

- 2.5. Each proposal shall be accompanied by an invitation to at least one member of the World Chess Championship Committee (WCCC) to inspect the proposed venue and examine the other conditions, with all expenses paid by the bidder.
- 2.6. Each proposal shall be delivered sealed to the FIDE Secretariat before the deadline of 15 September 2004 as in point 2.1, announced by FIDE.
- 2.7. The FIDE President or his representative shall then open them at the appointed time and the details shall be published.
- 2.8. The FIDE Presidential Board shall decide which applicant shall be chosen. The decision reached shall be based on the following criteria, which are to be viewed as a whole:
 - a. Prize fund.
 - b. Playing conditions.
 - c. Providing visas to the participants, accompanying persons and officials.
 - d. Security assistance for the participants and officials.
 - e. Chess activity both actual and potential in the country hosting the World Championship.
 - f. Media possibilities.
 - g. Potential development of chess worldwide.
 - h. Climatic conditions during the period of the tournament.
- 2.9. After the Presidential Board has decided who shall be selected to organize the WCCM, the Organizers shall deposit, not later than one month before the start of the Match, in escrow, net and free of all taxes, with the FIDE bankers the full sums of money covering the prize fund plus contribution to FIDE according to Article 1.4 above and all costs related to FIDE as stipends and travel in accordance with a

budget agreed between FIDE and the organisers. This shall be deposited into the FIDE bank, failing which the previous bank guarantees issued to FIDE namely 33% of the proposed prize fund and USD 50,000 bank guarantees shall be forfeited to FIDE. In this case, FIDE and the participants will share the sums of these two bank guarantees as to one third to FIDE and one third to each of the players.

- 2.10. The Organizers shall invite two members of the World Chess Championship Committee (WCCC) to inspect and give consultation on the preparations. Travelling (business class if transcontinental) and accommodation costs are to be borne by the Organizers. The WCCC shall decide on the need for further inspections.

3. Number of Games & Time Control

- 3.1. Number of Games: 12 Game match.
- 3.2. Time control: 40 moves in 2 hours, followed by 20 moves in one hour, followed by 15 minutes plus 30 seconds for all moves (40/2h, 20/1h, 15m+30sec/all).

4. Conditions of Victory:

- 4.1. The winner of the match shall be the first player to score 6.5 or more points from a maximum of 12 games. In case of equal score (6-6) then tiebreaks as described in 5. (Tie breaks for the World Chess Championship Match) shall be decisive.

4.2. Schedule.

- 1st day: Opening Ceremony
- 2nd day: 1st game
- 3rd day: 2nd game
- 4th day: Free day
- 5th day: 3rd game
- 6th day: 4th game
- 7th day: Free day
- 8th day: 5th game
- 9th day: 6th game
- 10th day: Free day
- 11th day: 7th game
- 12th day 8th game
- 13th day: Free day
- 14th day: 9th game
- 15th day: 10th game
- 16th day: Free day
- 17th day 11th game
- 18th day 12th game
- 19th day free day
- 20th day Tiebreak/closing ceremony

- 4.3. Drawing of colours shall be done during the Opening Ceremony.

- 4.3.1. Upon request of the organizers, the FIDE President in consultation with the players, may vary the schedule.

5. Tie breaks for the World Chess Championship Match:

- 5.1. If the scores are level after the regular games, after a new drawing of colours, four (4) tie break games shall be played with 25 minutes on the clock and additional 10 seconds per move from move one for each player.
- 5.2. If the scores are level after the games in paragraph 5.1. then, after a new drawing of colours, 2 blitz games in which each player receives 5 minutes on his clock + 10 seconds for each move starting from move 1, shall be played.
- 5.3. In case of a tie, one sudden death game will be played. The player, who wins the drawing of lots, may choose the colour. White shall receive 6 minutes on the clock and Black shall receive 5 minutes, without any addition. The winner shall be declared the World Chess Champion. In the event of a draw, the player with the black pieces shall be declared the World Chess Champion.

6. Prizes.

- 6.1. The World Champion shall receive 55% of the prize fund. The runner up 45%. In the event of the 6-6 draw before the tiebreak, prize money shall be split 50-50 between the players irrespective of the outcome of the tiebreak.

7. Finance.

- 7.1. Before the end of the Match, FIDE shall be reimbursed for its direct expenses incurred and not already paid in respect of the Match organization. This shall be a fixed sum agreed between the Organizer and FIDE President before the start of the tournament.
This sum may include Match pre-expenses (inspections) and tournament expenses (travelling and boarding) for the members of the World Chess Championship Committee (WCCC). The WCCC shall advise and help the Organizers on protocol, budget, infrastructure, media, commentary, bulletin and other technical problems.
- 7.1.1 Minimum budget for WCCC expenses shall be USD 30, 000.
- 7.2. FIDE or its appointed commercial agency has exclusive financial rights to the event and is free to exploit them commercially. This includes entering into advertisement agreements, either with the Organizers or Sponsors of the Match, requiring players to wear clothes with the branding of sponsors if this has been requested from the players before they sign their undertakings.
- 7.3. The income provided by the Match through admission charges, concessions, photography, radio, shall go to the Organizers. The television and Internet Web transmission rights, including video and film rights, shall belong to FIDE or its appointed commercial agency and the income divided on the basis of an agreement between FIDE or its appointed Commercial Agency and the Organizers.
- 7.4. FIDE or its appointed commercial agency shall have the exclusive rights for live games on Internet and shall provide the necessary equipment such as electronic boards and clocks to cover the event. FIDE or its appointed commercial agency shall provide to the Organizers the signal for online game display in the different

function rooms as designated by FIDE.

- 7.5. The Organizers shall draw up a detailed budget, including provision for contingencies. This shall be subject to the approval of the World Championship Committee and thereafter the FIDE President not later than 1st of October 2004.

8. Stipends:

- 8.1. The following stipends are to be paid to the following principals of the Match:

a) Chairman of the Appeals Committee	USD 10,000
b) Three members of the Appeals Committee	USD 15,000
c) Chief Arbiter	USD 6,000
d) Deputy Chief Arbiter	USD 4,000
e) Press Officer	USD 3,000
f) Chairman of FIDE Medical Commission or nominee	USD 4,000

9. Arrangements for the Playing Hall.

- 9.1. The WCCC shall ensure the playing hall and its environs meet the requirements of the FIDE Regulations for the Organization of Top Level Tournaments (FIDE Handbook C.01).
- 9.2. The playing venue shall be decorated with the FIDE flag, IOC flag, the flags of the host nation and the participating players' Federations and the sponsors' brandings.
- 9.3. During the games, the participants will have refreshments, including coffee and tea according to the list provided by them.
- 9.4. After the World Chess Championship Committee agrees with the Organizers on the World Chess Championship Match arrangements in respect of the tournament hall, facilities, accommodation and meals, transportation, telecommunication, ceremonies, no objections from the participants shall be acceptable provided the players have been consulted.

10. Interviews, functions and mode of dressing.

- 10.1. Interviews with people other than players can be arranged directly.
- 10.2. The players are expected to cooperate reasonably with the media. General interviews with them can be arranged through the Press Officer.
- 10.3. The players are required to make themselves available for short interviews, of not more than 10 minutes duration, immediately after each game. In general, both players shall be available for the daily press conference.
- 10.4. Players are required to be present at all official functions approved by FIDE President or his Deputy during the Match including official receptions and the opening and closing ceremonies.
- 10.5. Players are specifically requested to note the requirements of FIDE Regulations C.01 (Article 8.1) in respect of their dignified appearance at all times during the World Chess Championship Match.

11. Photography and Television.

- 11.1. Only photographers and camera crew expressly authorized by the Press Officer may work in the playing venue.

12. Advance Preparations of World Chess Championship Match.

12.1. Players and their Amenities.

- 12.1.1. The organizers shall provide assistants, security and one chauffeur-driven car for each player's delegation. Each player shall be entitled to a suite and two double rooms in a first class hotel.

12.2. Principals and their Amenities.

12.2.1 Principals are:

- a. FIDE President and Deputy President, one of them being the Chairman of the Appeals Committee.
- b. Chief Arbiter and his Deputy.
- c. Members of Appeals Committee.
- d. FIDE Elected Vice President, General Secretary and Treasurer.
- e. WCCC members
- f. Chairman of the FIDE Medical Commission or nominee.
- g. Press Officer.

- 12.2.2. The Organizers shall provide assistants if necessary for FIDE President, his Deputy, the Chief Arbiter and WCCC representatives, as agreed between the Organisers and the WCC Committee.

- 12.2.3. The Organizers are hosting the Principals and two other FIDE officials throughout the Match:

a. Travel.

FIDE President has the right to first class travel by air, sea or rail, at the Organizers' expense. FIDE Deputy President has the right to business class travel by air, sea or rail, at the Organizers' expense. All other Principals shall be provided with transport in economy class. Any Principal making his own travel arrangements without the agreement of the Organizers does so entirely at his own risk.

b. Accommodation.

Accommodation should be reserved for the Principals and other designated FIDE officials in a 5 star hotel.

For the FIDE President – A suite of appropriate protocol status.

For FIDE Deputy President – a suite. For other Principals/ FIDE officials - a double room.

c. Food and Drinks.

Provision for food and drinks shall be made for all the Principals and the FIDE designated number of officials on a wholly equal basis. This shall be

provided by a specified allowance in local currency per day and/or by set meals. The nature and amount shall be agreed between the Organizers and WCCC. The President and his Deputy shall be provided with full complimentary service for extras at the hotel, at the expense of the organizers.

d. Local Transportation.

For FIDE President, a chauffeur-driven car. For the other Principals, a number of cars shall be made available; their use will depend on the position of the hotels, playing hall and media center, and on the leisure activities of the Principals. Alternatively, a daily allowance in local currency may be provided, the amount to be agreed between the Organizers and WCCC.

12.3. Playing Conditions.

12.3.1. Apart from the players and arbiters, no other person shall be allowed in the actual playing area during the games, except with the express permission of the Chief Arbiter.

12.3.2. During the playing session (lasting from 10 minutes before the start of the game until the departure of players), the following additional regulations shall be in force:

- a. The players are not permitted to bring into the playing venue technical and other equipment extraneous to play, which may in any way disturb or upset the opponent. The Chief Arbiter shall decide what constitutes extraneous equipment liable to offend the opponent.
- b. During the game, a player may talk only to an arbiter or communicate with a steward, or with his opponent as permitted by the Laws of Chess.

12.3.3. Organizers shall provide in sufficiency, free of charge, coffee, tea and soft drinks for the players and principals. It is advisable that the same offer shall apply for the press members.

12.4. Score sheets.

The Organizers shall provide score sheets according to the specifications provided by the WCCC.

- a. At the end of each game the players' original score sheets shall be given to the Arbiter, who shall hand them over to FIDE in due course.
- b. Refusal of either player to sign the score sheets shall be penalized according to Article 13.4 of the Laws of Chess. After the players have signed the score sheets, the Arbiter shall countersign to confirm the results.
- c. In tiebreak games, the players and the Arbiter shall sign a protocol.

12.5. Players' Meeting.

Both players are required to attend a meeting on the day of the Opening Ceremony at a time to be decided by the Chief Arbiter and the Organizers. If he deems it necessary, the Chief Arbiter may call other Players' Meetings.

12.6. Selection of Arbiters.

- 12.6.1. THE FIDE President will propose the names of three International Arbiters to the players. The players will be requested to rank the arbiters in order of preference and return this list to FIDE within two weeks. In the event that the preference of each player is different, the choice of Chief and Deputy Chief Arbiter will be made by allocating three points to a first preference, two to the second and one to the third. The arbiters with the highest point score will be selected. If the scores are tied, then there will be a drawing of lots at a venue agreed between FIDE and the players.
- 12.6.2. No arbiter may come from the same federation as either player.
- 12.6.3. During play either the Chief Arbiter or the Deputy Chief Arbiter must be present in the playing area.
- 12.6.4. Immediately after the end of the World Chess Championship Match, the Chief Arbiter shall draw up a report in the English language and send it without delay to the FIDE Secretariat.
- 12.6.5. The report shall contain the result of each individual game as well as the final result of the match. In addition, the report shall contain a general description of the course of the World Championship. If there were difficulties, conflicts or incidents during the World Championship, they shall be described together with the measures taken to deal with them.
- 12.6.6. The report shall be supplemented by adding two copies of the bulletins of the World Championship Match.
- 12.6.7. The Chief Arbiter may, in consultation with the WCCC, the players and after the approval of the FIDE President, issue additional written regulations to lay down the exact playing hours and take care of other details not covered by these regulations.

12.7. Appeals Committee.

The President or his Deputy shall be Chairman of the Appeals Committee. There shall be three other members all from different Federations appointed by the FIDE President. No member of the Appeals Committee shall sit in judgment in a dispute involving a player or party from his Federation except where the dispute is between two players or two parties from his Federation.

All protests must be submitted in writing to the Appeals Committee not more than two hours after the relevant playing session, or the particular infringement complained against.

The Committee may decide on the following matters:

- a. an appeal against a decision by an arbiter,
- b. a protest against a player's behaviour,
- c. a complaint alleging false interpretation of the regulations,
- d. a request for the interpretation of specific regulations,
- e. a protest or complaint against any participant, or
- f. all other matters which the Committee considers important.

If possible the Committee shall reach a decision not more than two hours after

the submission of a protest. The appeals process shall include written representations and a written decision.

The Committee shall endeavour to find binding solutions that are within the true spirit of the FIDE motto, Gens Una Sumus.

Each protest must be accompanied by a deposit fee of USD 5000 (five thousand US Dollars) or the equivalent in local currency. If the protest is accepted, the fee shall be returned. If the protest is rejected, the fee may be forfeited to FIDE.

The decision of the Appeals Committee arising from any dispute in respect of these regulations shall be final.

13. Opening Ceremony for the World Chess Championship Match.

13.1. The Opening Ceremony shall take place the day prior to the first round and both participants are required to take part.

13.2. The program of the Opening Ceremony shall be supervised by FIDE. Cultural program and speeches totalling up to 60 minutes is recommended. FIDE Anthem and the anthem of the hosting country shall be played at the beginning.

13.3. The drawing of colours for the Match shall be carried out as part of the opening ceremony.

14. Closing Ceremony of the World Chess Championship Final Match.

The Closing Ceremony shall take place not later than two days after the end of the 12th game according to the schedule per Article 4.2. The Organizer of the Match shall provide two medals: in gold and silver, as well as a Cup to the World Champion. The FIDE Anthem, the anthem of the World Champion and the anthem of the hosting country shall be played.

15. Commitments of the Players.

Both participants have to sign the Player's Undertaking not later than 15 days after the official announcement of the Match. The winner of the World Championship Match shall be designated as World Champion and shall retain this title until a new Champion is crowned at the next official match for the title organized by FIDE. Following the Prague Agreement, the Champion is obliged to play the reunification match during the first 7 months of 2005 unless FIDE decides otherwise. Both players are precluded from playing in a World Championship Match that is not officially recognized by FIDE.

16. Payment of Prize Money and Stipends.

16.1. The prize fund and stipends shall be paid by bank cheque or direct banker's order drawn in United States Dollars on UBS, Lausanne.

16.2. FIDE shall not be responsible if any national or local tax to be deducted from the prize money.

16.3. At any time in the course of the application of these regulations, any grounds that are not covered or any unforeseen event shall be referred to the Presidential Board or to the President of FIDE, for final decision. Such a decision shall at no time change the playing conditions or diminish the player's financial rights as agreed.