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I greet you all and I would like to start by congratulating Asia and Uzbekistan Chess Federation and GM Rustam Kasimdjano in person for his great Achievement winning the FIDE World Chess Championship wishing him even a greater achievement in his Match with the world highest rated player GM Garry Kasparov. I am so optimistic about the future of Chess in our Continent. FIDE organized five world Championships for Men since it adopted the New KO Format, Two of the Asians won the title first GM Vishy Anand of India and now GM Rustam Kasimdjano and in the remainder three GM Vishy Anand was in the Finals two times.

FIDE Organized World Championship for Women KO Format three times from which Asia won two, thanks to the Chinese Women in Achieving this first GM Xie Jun followed by GM Zhu Chen.

New title holders are increasing in this regard I will thank India and Mr. Ummer Koya for his significant work for India and Asia as well, look at the Indian teams Men & Women they are a real treat to any strong team, I hope the other Asian Federations will benefit from the Indian experience.

Finally I will thank all the federations who helped in fulfilling our Calendar of Events for the year 2004 Philippine Chess Federation for Asian Cities Chess Championship, Iran Chess Federation for Asian U16 U18 Chess Championships, Next December Singapore Chess Federation for the Asian Youth U10-12-14 and Also I would like to thank Mr. Ignatius Leong for including a new category to the youth Championships the U8 Boys & Girls. Which I hope will urge us to start preparing our players from earlier ages. Also Next December is the Asian Women Chess Championship in Lebanon, and Asian Juniors Boys & Girls in India.

There remains The Asian Individual Men Championship which All India Chess Federation is going to organize during January 2005.

Qatar Chess Association is trying its best in order to have a most successful event as Chess in the Doha Asian Games 2006. In this regard I appointed Mr. Ignatius Leong as the Technical Advisor for the Chess Events.

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Balance Sheet

Description

Starting Balance

Asian Chess Federation

Date	Item Description	Received	Payment	Balance
21/02/2003	4th Asian Chess Championship Doha-Qatar Feb. 2003 Entry Fees	\$5,392.00		\$5,392.00
22/02/2003	50% of the 4th Asian Chess Championship retained by the organizers		\$2,696.00	\$2,696.00
28/02/2003	Air Ticket paid for Asian GS Mr. Derrick Perrera		\$450.00	\$2,246.00
18/03/2003	Prize Fund received from FIDE for the 4th Asian Chess Championship	\$63,736.00		\$65,982.00
25/03/2003	Prizes paid to the winners of the 4th Asian Chess Championship		\$64,000.00	\$1,982.00
25/03/2003	Money Bank Transfer Charges of the Prizes for 4th Asian CC Winners		\$235.00	\$1,747.00
20/05/2003	Financial Support for Bangladesh to organize the Zonal 3.1b 2003		\$2,000.00	-\$253.00
14/09/2003	A Laptop Computer Price paid for AGS Mr. Derrick Perrera		\$1,942.50	-\$2,195.50
09/12/2003	Paid to FIDE on behalf of Tajikstan Chess Federation		\$800.61	-\$2,996.11
17/03/2004	Australian Chess Federation entry fees for the Asian cities	\$302.00		-\$2,694.11
17/03/2004	Paid to Mr Derrick Perrera for the Development of the Asian Website		\$2,400.00	-\$5,094.11
23/03/2004	Li Wai Shing Jackson entry fees for the Asian cities	\$292.00		-\$4,802.11
05/04/2004	Japan Chess Federation Membership fees for 2004	\$100.00		-\$4,702.11
14/04/2004	Australian Chess Federation	\$82.00		-\$4,620.11
22/04/2004	Unknown Source	\$1,884.85		-\$2,735.26
27/04/2004	Paid to Mr. ALTanoch for the Asian Chess Federation Logo		\$1,000.00	-\$3,735.26
12/07/2004	received From FIDE The Balance for Asia before 2003.	\$9,800.00		\$6,064.74

Receivable	\$81,588.85
Payables	\$75,524.11
Current Balance	\$6,064.74

Asian Continental Assembly
27th October 2004 Calvia , Mallorca Spain

In order to enter some clarifications to our Statutes Financial Regulations I would Like to raise the following questions.

1. Shall we charge the one Zone Federation for the participating players.
In my opinion being a one Zone Federation it is already a privilege good enough exempting such a zone from paying entry fees is too much.
Current FIDE Regulations was charging the Zonals but for the one Zone Federation it is 2000 CHF maximum.
2. It was decided in Halkidiki Asian Statutes 13.6 d) Organizing country of FIDE events will be exempted from entry fees for their own players.
My question: is this for all events including Adult Individual, Zonals and Team events or it is as in FIDE only for the Youth Events.
Second question : shall we make a limit of the free entries or not. In FIDE youth events they limited the free entries to seven players in each category of the youth events.
3. In The Asian Statutes Financial Regulations there is nothing mentioned about the Extra players fees which are normally charged double. (need to add)
4. Collecting the fees from the participants in the continental events.
My proposal is that the organizing federations must take the responsibility for collecting the fees from the participants and this must be done before the first round failing to this the organizing federation lose the right to get the 50% of the entry fees for the players who did not pay. In my opinion if the Organizers stick to the regulations then no federation will send any player without the entry fees in hand.
5. Since the Asian Account is in US\$ then we need to define the continental entry fees in US\$ the Current FIDE entry fees are in Swiss Francs as follows:

Zonal Tournaments	SFr 100 for each player
Continental Individual Championship	SFr 200 for each player *
Continental Junior/Youth Championships	SFr 100 for each player *
Continental Team Championship	SFr 400 for each team
Continental Club (City) Cup	SFr 200 for each team
Continental Rapid Chess Championship	SFr 100 for each team

My Proposal is convert the 100 CHF to 75 US\$ and the others accordingly.

Zonal Tournaments	US\$ 75 for each player
Continental Individual Championship	US\$ 150 for each player *
Continental Junior/Youth Championships	US\$ 75 for each player *
Continental Team Championship	US\$ 300 for each team
Continental Club (City) Cup	US\$ 150 for each team
Continental Rapid Chess Championship	US\$ 75 for each player

* except the defending champion.



FIDE Asian Continental Assembly
28 October 2004, Mellorca, Spain

Report

Chairman: Khalifa AL-Hitmi (QAT)

Present: Ummer Koya (IND), F. Campomanes (PHI), Dr. A. Houry (LEB), M. Faid (PLE), A. A. Chaudhry (PAK), A. Salim (PAK), S.L. Harsh (IND), C. Abundo (PHI), M. Pahlevanzadeh (IRI), S. Weeramantry (SRI), G.L. Wijesuriya (SRI), D.A. Madloom (IRQ), M. Ati (IRQ), T. Baktygul (KGZ), K. Yorali (TJK), I. Jamshed (TJK), S. Ayyoupi (AFG), G. Altanoch (MGL), S. Agrahari (NEP), Abd R. AL-Shamsi (UAE), P. Viner (AUS), Dr. V. De Asa (FIJ), Dr. D. H. Ambarkmi (INA), Abd Majid Hamid (MAS), Dr. M. Shadaravian (QAT), Md. S. Islam Miah (BAN), I. Leong (SIN), I. Leong (CAM), Dr. D. H. Ambarkmi (MYA-Proxy), Dang Tat Thang (VIE), Ko-Fei Lin (TPE), B. Asanov (KAZ), Turdialiev (UZB), T. Thamsukati (THA), P. Nimityongskul (THA), V. Thamsukati (THA), GM Rogelio Antonio Jr. (PHI), Derrick V. Perera (SRI)

1. Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on 1 Nov 2003 in Halkidiki, Greece.

CA approved the minutes of the last Continental Meeting.

2. Report of the President.

FIDE Continental President for Asia, Mr. Khalifa Mohamad AL-Hitmi presented his report as in annex 1.

3. Asian Chess Federation.

- a) **Statutes** – FIDE Continental General Secretary for Asia, Mr. Derrick V. Perera presented the Asian Chess Federation Statutes as approved by the Asian Continental Assembly in Halkidiki, Greece.
- b) **Logo** - FIDE Vice President, Mr. Ignatius Leong informed the delegates that the logo competition was successful and Mr. G. Altanoch was the winner of the US \$ 1,000 prize as announced by Mr. Khalifa. He agreed to circulate this among delegates.
- c) **Asian Secretariat** - FIDE Continental General Secretary for Asia, Mr. Derrick V. Perera reported on the status of the website to the delegates and informed that it will be ready in few weeks. Mr. Pahlevanzadeh of Iran offered his assistance in developing the website which was accepted.

4. Financial Report

FIDE Continental Treasurer for Asia, Dr. Michael Shadravian presented the financial statements for 2003/4. At this point Mr. Ummer Koya, Vice President of FIDE, raised his objection over the report on the dues by national federations to Asian Chess Federation. It was decided to send invoices separately to national federations for verification before being published and hence the report on federation dues was withdrawn.

The financial report and the recommendations of the Treasurer to amend the Financial Regulations of the statutes (annex 2a & annex 2b) was approved by the CA.

5. Zonal and Continental Championships

Mr. Koya inquired about the provisions of the qualifying spots for the World Chess Championship (WCC) from Asian continental events. Mr. Abd Hamid of Malaysia raised the issue where qualifiers from the 2003 Asian Women's Championship from India and China to the WCC were deprived of their participation due to the incorrect numbers of qualifiers given by the Continental President. The delegates unanimously agreed and urged the Continental President to discuss this with the WCC Committee to increase the qualifying spots for Asia in the WCC. It was also proposed that the Continental President to present to FIDE to include a representative from Asia in the WCC Committee. It was decided to allocate from the Men & Women Continental Championships 12 and 10 seats respectively for the WCC. It was further decided to propose to FIDE to increase the number of qualifiers from Asia to the WCC.

China expressed their disappointment over FIDE's decision in not considering the Asian Championship and the ACF inability to protect the rights of the Chinese players.

Mr. Koya strongly emphasized the need for Asia to demand to increase its presence in every commission of FIDE as a strong chess playing continent. Mr. F. Campomanes, Hon. President of FIDE, endorsed the views expressed by Mr. Koya and requested the Asian delegates to actively participate in discussions at committees and the General Assembly.

Chinese Taipei and Laos was accepted as new members of the Zone 3.3. Further it was agreed to re-classify the zone numbering and Zone consisting of Australia was changed to Zone 3.6 and Zone consisting of Kazakhstan was changed to Zone 3.4. It was proposed unanimously to recommend FIDE General Assembly to allocate a separate zone for India.

6. ACF Procedures

It was decided to strictly follow the ACF Statutes and the organizing federation of any event to submit the report and financial dues of the tournament within ten days of the completion of event to the ACF.

7. Asian Calendar of Events.

- a) Events status for 2004 (annex 3)
- b) Calendar of events for 2005/6. (annex 4)

8. Other Matters.

Asian Games 2006

Mr. Khalifa announced that Mr. Leong has been appointed as the Technical Coordinator for Asian Games 2006 in Doha, Qatar and invited him to inform the delegates of the progress. Mr. Leong informed the delegates about the preparations of the Asian Games and format to be used in this event where each team will consist of 2 Men and 1 Woman player and it will be played on normal chess and rapid chess as two separate events.

Mr. Hamid raised the issue of Asia not being represented in FIDE Board meetings and urge the President to ensure that Asia is well represented in all the events. Mr. Khalifa gave the assurance to the CA that he will ensure full representation in all meetings

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Asian Calendar of Events for 2004

	When	Venue	Organized by	Options
Asian Youth Chess Championship 2004 (U10, U12, U14) B/G	December 10-18	Singapore	Singapore CF	2) Lebanon CF 3) Iraq CF
Asian Youth Chess Championship 2004 (U16, U18) B/G	April 2-9	Tehran, Iran	Iranian CF	
Asian Cities Chess Championship 2004 M/W	March 20-28	Tagaytay City, Philippines	Philippine CF	
11 th Asian Women Individual Chess Championship 2004/5	December 3-12	Beirut, Lebanon	Lebanon CF	
5 th Asian Individual Chess Championship 2004/5	To be organized in 2005		All India CF	2) Qatar CA
27 th Asian Junior Chess Championship 2004 B/G	December 21-30	Bikaner, India	1) All India CF	
Zone 3.1	December 13-22	Beirut, Lebanon	Lebanon	
Zone 3.2			Sri Lanka	
Zone 3.3			Malaysia	
Zone 3.4			Australia	
Zone 3.5			China	
Zone 3.6			Kazakhstan	

Asian Calendar of Events for 2005

	When	Venue	Organized by	Options
Asian Youth Chess Championship 2005 (U8, U10, U12 & U14) B / G #	21 - 29 June	Cochin, India	AICF	India
Asian Youth Chess Championship 2005 (U16) B/G	April	Namangan, Uzbekistan	UCF	Uzbekistan
Asian Youth Chess Championship 2005 (U18) B/G	10 - 19 July	Colombo, Sri Lanka	CFSL	Sri Lanka (to be confirmed)
Asian Team Championship 2005	September	Iran	ICF	Iran
12 th Asian Women Individual Chess Championship 2005	September	Vietnam	VCF	Vietnam
5 th Asian Individual Chess Championship 2005	To be organized in 2005		All India CF	2) Qatar CA
28 th Asian Junior Chess Championship 2005 B/G	10 - 19 July	Colombo, Sri Lanka	CFSL	Sri Lanka
Asian Schools Chess Festival*	11 - 20 April	Iran	ICF	Iran
Zone 3.1			Lebanon	
Zone 3.2			Pakistan	
Zone 3.3			Malaysia	
Zone 3.4			Australia	
Zone 3.5			China	
Zone 3.6			Kazakhstan	

Iran was granted the first option for the 2006 edition.

* Proposal of Youth & Junior events Commission.