

**REPORT**

**FIDE TECHNICAL COMMISSION  
Meeting Baku, AZE, September 5, 2016  
Hotel Fairmont 11:00 – 13:00**

Chairman: B. Singh (IND)

Present: C. Nsakanya (ZAM), S. Al Taher (UAE), A. Filipowicz (POL), A. Borda (BOL), A. A. (GUA), I. Vereschagin (RUS), S. Zerdali (ALG), C. Abou Nemri (LIB), B. P. Gantam (NEP), R. Ricca (ITA), A. Burstein (ISR), D. Porat (ISR), R. Anantharam (IND), Gopakumar MS (IND), A. Schuering (NED), E. Smart (RSA), F. Dapiran (ITA), K.K. Chan (HKG), D. Jordan (GER)

**Agenda for the FIDE Technical Commission**

**TEC Meeting, Baku, AZE, September 5, 2016**

1. Opening by chairman
2. Information regarding the proposed corrections of the subtitle and text of the Separate Chapter of the Technical matters published in the FIDE Handbook & Website as “02. Standards of Chess Equipment for FIDE Tournaments”.
3. Guidelines on treatment of school tournaments.
4. Tie-break system in FIDE and Continental events
5. Miscellaneous

**MINUTES OF THE FIDE TECHNICAL COMMISSION**

1. Chairman Bharat Singh welcomed the participants of the meeting.
2. After the discussion TEC approved the proposed changes and corrections in the Chapter of the Technical matters currently published in the FIDE Handbook & Website as - “02. Standards of Chess Equipment for FIDE Tournaments”.

The new title should be

**C. Technical Recommendations for Tournaments**

**02. Standards of Chess Equipment, tournament venue, rate of play and tie-break regulations**

The full corrected text of the Chapter will be send to FIDE Secretariat later on. See annex 29 of Agenda of 87<sup>th</sup> FIDE Congress.

3. The main part of the TEC meeting were requirements on treatment of school tournaments, based on organisation of many school tournaments in last years. During the long discussion participants of meeting proposed corrections to the text mentioned in Annex 28 of the Congress, namely
  - 3.1. Arbiters before the first round should explain also the promotion.
  - 3.2. The proposed original scoring (3-2-1) should be changed and replaced by FIDE scoring ie. 1 – 0,5 – 0.

- 3.3. Finally, the TEC accepted the mentioned new part of the TEC chapter, but vocabulary, spelling and wording must be improved and the final text will be prepared after the Congress
4. The participants discussed the tie-break system used in the official FIDE and continental competitions 2014-2016. The proposals accepted by TEC:
- 4.1. The number of rounds in the World Junior Championship (under 20) should be reduced to 11 (instead of current 13)
- 4.2. The tie-break system of the Candidates Tournaments should be changed. After the direct encounter, the play-off as the second tie-break be introduced using the system of rapid and blitz matches of the World Championship Match.
5. Together with tie-break system TEC discussed the problem of un played games. The TEC expressed the opinion, that un played games in the Round-Robin tournaments should be simply calculated as lost games in the Sonneborn-Berger system and Koya system.
6. TEC created the Sub-Committee to study the problem of un played games in the Buchholz system composed of four persons: Prof. Rathinam Anantharam, Mr. Daniel Porat, Mr. Roberto Ricca and Mr. Igor Vereshchagin.
7. TEC has accepted Dr Dirk Jordan GER as the new member of TEC
8. Chairman thanked all the participants for taking part in the meeting and fruitful discussion.

**Secretary**

**Chairman**

**Andrzej Filipowicz**

**Bharat Singh**