

Report
FIDE TECHNICAL COMMISSION
Meeting - Prague CZE
Amarilis Hotel, May 5-6, 2018

Present:

Chairman: Chairman: Bharat Singh, Secretary: Andrzej Filipowicz,
Councillors: Jan Mazuch and Sultan Al-Taher

Agenda for the FIDE Technical Commission
TEC Meeting, Prague CZE, May 5-6, 2018
10:00-13.00 and 15:00-20:00
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1. Opening by chairman
2. Revision and corrections of the Chapter of the Technical matters in the FIDE Handbook.
3. Technical devices against cheating be introduced by IM Artur Frolov from Russia
4. Electronic scoresheet – remarks and recommendation.
5. The FIDE tie-break system, unplayed games, the formulas and proposals
 - a) Remarks regarding the unplayed games proposal to the FIDE PB,
 - b) Cumulative system, proposal of IA Hal Bond,
 - c) The previous calculations of unplayed games in Buchholz system etc., used until 2013 year, proposal of Mr. Roberto Ricca.
6. Chinese Proposal, regarding the YIHU Smart Chess Board, presented by Mr. Xiong Hao
7. Miscellaneous

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1. Chairman Bharat Singh welcomed the participants of the meeting and introduced details of Agenda.
2. The Commission revised the final text of the Chapter of the Technical matters i.e.
Part C. General Rules and Technical Recommendations for Tournaments
02. Standards of Chess Equipment, venue for FIDE Tournaments, rate of play and tie-break regulations are published in the FIDE Handbook.
The Commission decided to prepare the some corrections regarding the testing chess clocks and regarding the tie-break systems. The new proposals will be introduced during the TEC meeting in Batumi.

3. IM Artur Frolov introduced the special electronic device to check the possibility of cheating behaviour of players and other persons in the tournament hall. The device is small one and you can keep it in the pocket. All arbiters and players can purchase it and check the possibility of transmissions data's during the games. The device is very useful to check also active phones or other electronic devices in the rooms close to the tournament hall as well in the rest rooms. However the mentioned device is not disturbing the electronic boards and transmission games to the Internet.

The TEC decided the device has to be checked in practise in the open tournament and will be used in the Czech open events in July 2018. The final conclusion and proposal will be presented in Batumi.

4. The problem of the electronic scoresheet proposed by Mr. Joey Troy of USA was the accept of the US Federation is very important but it is not sufficient for the TEC. The Commission should see the presentation.
5. The TEC discussed once again the problem of unplayed games in the Buchholz and Sonneborn Berger system etc. and the proposal made during the TEC meeting in Antalya to come back to the old formula for tie-break purposes, i.e. the result of an unplayed game shall be counted as a draw against the player himself. This system was applied until July 1, 2012. The TEC postponed the decision to the next meeting in Batumi, because the Commission wishes to have more opinions of delegates regarding the matter.

The TEC discussed also the cumulative (progressive) system proposed in Antalya. The Commission is in favour to come back with the cumulative system for the school tournaments as well as for the open tournament with many unrated players. However the Commission wishes to know the opinion of the delegates during the meeting in Batumi.

6. The Commission did not discuss the Chinese Proposal, regarding the YIHU Smart Chess Board sent us by Mr. Xiong Hao. The Commission informed producers a few months ago regarding the meeting, but they were absent in Prague.
7. Chairman thanked Mr. Mazuch for very good organisation of the TEC meeting and closed very fruitful meeting and discussion.

Chairman
Bharat Singh

Secretary
Andrzej Filipowicz