INTERNATIONAL PRACTICAL SHOOTING CONFEDERATION Minutes of the Thirty-Sixth General Assembly Asunción, Paraguay, 9:00 am Wednesday, 10 October 2012

### **ADMINISTRATION**

Executive Council Present:

IPSC President	Mr. Nick Alexakos
IPSC Gen. Secretary	Mr. Alain Joly
IPSC Secretary	Mr. Vince Pinto
IPSC Treasurer	Mr. Ren Henderson
IROA President	Mr. Dino Evangelinos
IROA Vice-President	Mr. Juergen Tegge

### 1) IPSC Secretary to present a list of voting Regions and proxies

#### Regions represented by delegates (voting and non-voting): 15

Argentina	Mr. Martin Tripoli
Aruba	Mr. Dino Evangelinos (D)
Brazil	Mr. Alex Chang
Germany	Mr. Fritz Gepperth
Macau	Mr. Vince Pinto (D)
Netherlands	Mr. Kees Guichelaar
Northern Ireland	Mr. Cleland Rogers
Norway	Mr. Geir Owe
Portugal	Mr. Jose Rebelo
South Africa	Mr. Adnaan Jacobs
Sri Lanka	Col. Ranjan Jayawardene
Switzerland	Mr. Fritz Gepperth (D)
United Arab Emirates	Mr. Guillaume Gerrier
United Kingdom	Ms. Vanessa Duffy
Uruguay	Mr. Guillermo Jude

#### Regions – Represented by a delegate or a proxy (62):

Regions by delegate present (13): Argentina, Aruba, Brazil, Germany, United Kingdom, Macau, Norway, Netherlands, Portugal, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Switzerland, Uruguay.

Regions by written proxy (49): Australia, Austria, Barbados, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Ecuador, El Salvador, Estonia, Finland, France, Greece, Honduras, Hong Kong, Hungary,

Indonesia, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Monaco, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Philippines, Poland, Puerto Rico, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Taipei, Thailand, Trinidad & Tobago, Turkey, Ukraine, USA, Venezuela, Zimbabwe..

## Voting Regions – Unrepresented (2):

Voting Regions unrepresented: Lithuania, Slovak Republic

## 2) IPSC President to appoint two tellers

Mr. Jose Luis Beltrami (URU) Mr. Demetrius Olivereira (BRA)

## 3) IPSC Executive Council Reports

### **IPSC President**

Good morning and welcome to the 36th Annual General Assembly of the International Practical Shooting Confederation.

I would like begin by thanking IPSC Paraguay for hosting the 2012 General Assembly and for hosting the prestigious Pan American Handgun Championship.

For those of you that may not have seen the match yet, I encourage you to take a good look at all 24 stages. You will see what I believe to be one of the very best matches, not only in South America but anywhere in the World.

You will see a colorful, clean, challenging, straight forward and well balanced IPSC competition. Every detail was considered down to the very smallest. There was nothing that escaped un-noticed and together with one of the most outstanding course designs, this is the best Pan-American Championship ever held.

This match has set a new standard for IPSC matches everywhere. My congratulations to Regional Director Gonzalo Salsamendi and IPSC Paraguay.

Once again, I am pleased to report that in 2011 we continue our upward trend. I believe that makes 16 straight years of increases. Regional memberships continue to climb, Level III match activity grows every year and IPSC continues to add new Regions.

I am also extremely pleased to report that our major competitions as well as the European Rifle Match in Bulgaria and the first ever IPSC Shotgun World Shoot in Hungary have all been huge successes. You often hear "I came for the shooting but I stayed for the people". Nothing can be more true. It can be argued that IPSC is about powerful firearms, or exciting courses of fire, or that stimulating adrenalin rush but when it comes down to it, it is the people that makes IPSC what it is today. And today it is the best, most exciting, and most respected international shooting sport in the world. And that is because of the people.

Our direction is clear. Shooting is what drives this organization. Our passion, and everything we do is focused on our universal mission of getting more lead downrange.

IPSC defines 'excellence in shooting' and it defines having the inner strength to do what we know in our hearts is right even when sometimes it is the more difficult path.

As always, I thank the Regional Directors for their leadership and commitment and thank all our volunteers who give so generously of their time and talent.

I want to thank the Executive Council for their important service to this organization:

General Secretary - Mr. Alain Joly Treasurer - Mr. Ren Henderson Secretary - Mr. Vince Pinto IROA President - Mr. Dino Evangelinos IROA Vice-President - Mr. Juergen Tegge

And I want to thank the members of the various committees for their service especially Bob Chittleborough for his great work as Rules Chairman and as IROA Secretary.

Also I want to thank our webmaster, Mr. Ian Fachie who manages the IPSC web site, Mr. Chris Zielinski for his work with WinMSS and ICS, and Marco Hernandez as Media and Communications Director.

Our vision remains clear... our resolve unshakable.

DVC Nick Alexakos IPSC President

Verbal reports were also given by other Executive Council members.

## 4) Introduction of, and brief report from, each Regional delegate

Each Regional delegate present spoke briefly about the latest news from their respective Regions.

## 5) Approval of the minutes of the Thirty-Fifth IPSC Assembly

 Motion: That the minutes of the previous Assembly held at Rhodos Island, Greece on 1 October 2011 as circulated to Regions be accepted. Moved: Germany Seconded: Portugal <u>Carried:</u> For-58 Against-0 Abstain-2

## 6) IPSC Treasurer's Report and approval of the previous year's accounts

The Treasurer guided delegates through the report and answered questions

2. Motion
That the 2011 accounts as circulated to Regions be accepted.
Moved: Germany
Seconded: Macau
Carried: For-56 Against-3 Abstain-1

## 7) Appointment of an auditor

3. Motion:
That the chartered accounting firm of R.K. Fleischer, Chartered Accountants, be appointed as Auditors for the 2012 financial year.
Moved: Germany
Seconded: Argentina
<u>Carried:</u> For-57 Against-0 Abstain-3

## 8) Regional Development Committee Report

A report was given by Chairman Vince Pinto on the work of his committee, which is comprised of Sarath De Zoysa (SRI), Chepit Dulay (PHI), Victor Ferrero (ECU) Fritz Gepperth (GER), Dimitri Tzimas (GRE) and Rico Viljoen (NAM).

## 9) Final acceptance of Regions provisionally accepted by the Assembly

4. Motion

That Belarus be definitively accepted.Moved:MacauSeconded:NorwayCarried:For-60 Against-0 Abstain-0

5. Motion That Kazakhstan be definitively accepted. Moved: Portugal Seconded: Germany <u>Carried:</u> For-60 Against-0 Abstain-0

6. Motion That Turkey be definitively accepted. Moved: Macau Seconded: South Africa <u>Carried:</u> For-61 Against-0 Abstain-0

The Assembly welcomes the newly accepted Regions and wishes them the best of success. The Secretary advised that Kazakhstan and Turkey have been accepted as a full voting Regions. Voting numbers have increased by two to 62.

### 10) Ratification of Regions provisionally accepted by the Executive Council

7. Motion That India be Moved: Seconded: <u>Carried:</u>	<b>o j</b>
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11) Declaration of vacant Regions when more than ninety days in arrears

Our records show the following Regions are in arrears and risk becoming declared vacant. If there is any question concerning this situation, please contact the IPSC office immediately (Section 10.8 of the Constitution)

11. Motion
That Egypt be declared vacant if not in good standing by 31 December,
2012. (requires 3/4 vote)
Moved: Netherlands
Seconded: Norway
Carried: For-62 Against-0 Abstain-0

## 12) Annual Regional Status recognition

The IPSC President presented awards to the following Regions in recognition of their performance for the 2011 calendar year:

Top Three Regions Overall:	1 <sup>st</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Brazil and Germany (tie) Philippines
Most Improved Region:		Sorbia and Uruguay (tia)

Most Improved Region:

Serbia and Uruguay (tie)

# **ORGANIZATION**

## 13) IROA Executive Committee Report

IROA President Dino Evangelinos gave an updated report to the Assembly.

12. Motion
That the current edition of the IROA Member Handbook be replaced with the IROA Member Handbook, 2012 Edition.
Moved: United Kingdom
Seconded: Portugal
Carried: For-62 Against-0 Abstain-0

13. Motion

That the IROA Executive Committee be allowed to make minor grammatical corrections to any spelling, punctuation and/or formatting errors and/or numbering corrections and updates in the IROA Member Handbook, 2012 Edition, provided that such changes do not alter the meaning or intent of any clause. Likewise, errors and conflicts may also be corrected.

Moved: South Africa Seconded: United Kingdom Carried: For-62 Against-0 Abstain-0

## 14) COF Approval Committee Report

The IROA President gave an updated report to the Assembly.

### **15) Seminar Services Committee Report**

The IROA Vice-President gave an updated report to the Assembly.

### 16) Communications & Media Committee Report

IPSC Communications and Media Director Mr. Marco Hernandez delivered an audio-visual presentation of the newly launched Regional Website template and the forthcoming Match Management template.

### 17) WinMSS Committee Report

No report was available.

### 18) Rules Committee Report

14. MotionThat the April 2012 interpretations of the January 2012 Edition ShotgunCompetition Rules, as published on the IPSC website, be ratified.Moved:MacauSeconded:UruguayCarried:For-62 Against-0 Abstain-0

15. Motion
That the minor corrections made to the January 2012 Edition Competition
Rules under Motion 35 of the 2011 Assembly be ratified..
Moved: South Africa
Seconded: Germany
Carried: For-62 Against-0 Abstain-0

### **COMPETITIONS**

#### 19) 2013 Australasia Handgun Championship update (New Zealand)

The IPSC Secretary, who had just visited New Zealand, gave an updated report on the preparations for this match.

## 20) 2013 European Handgun Championship update (Portugal)

IPSC Portugal Regional Director Jose Rebelo gave a verbal and an audio-visual presentation.

#### **21) 2013 Latin American Handgun Championship update (Ecuador)** No report was available.

**22) 2013 South East Asian Handgun Championship update (Thailand)** The IPSC Secretary gave an updated verbal report.

**23) 2013 Pan-American Shotgun Championship update (United States)** The IPSC Secretary read an updated report submitted by the Regional Director of IPSC USA.

## 24) 2014 World Shoot XVII update (United States)

The IPSC President gave an updated verbal report.

## 25) 2015 African Handgun Championship venue

In the absence of any bidders, this matter was deferred until next year.

16. Motion Withdrawn

## 26) 2015 European Rifle Championship venue

17. Motion
That the 2015 European Rifle Championship be hosted in the Region to be determined by vote of this Assembly..
Moved: Germany
Seconded: Netherlands
<u>Carried:</u> For-60 Against-0 Abstain-2

IPSC Hungary was unanimously approved by the European Regions present.

## 27) 2015 Pan-American Handgun Championship venue

18. MotionThat the 2015 Pan American Handgun Championship be hosted in the Region to be determined by vote of this Assembly.Moved: Brazil

Seconded: Netherlands <u>Carried:</u> For-60 Against-0 Abstain-2

IPSC Brazil was unanimously approved by the Pan American Regions present.

### 28) 2015 Shotgun World Shoot II venue

19. Motion
That the 2015 Shotgun World Shoot II be hosted in the Region to be determined by vote of this Assembly.
Moved: Germany
Seconded: United Kingdom
Carried: For-61 Against-0 Abstain-1

IPSC Italy was unanimously approved.

### **GENERAL**

### 29) Date and place of next IPSC Assembly

20. MotionThat the 2013 IPSC Assembly be hosted in the Region to be determined<br/>by vote of this Assembly.Moved:NetherlandsSeconded:ArgentinaCarried:For-62 Against-0 Abstain-0

Candidates: Portugal (European Handgun Championship) Thailand (South East Asian Handgun Championship)

After conducting a ballot vote of delegates present and those votes cast by proxy, Thailand was selected by 41 votes to 21.

## ANY OTHER BUSINESS

IPSC Netherlands proposed that all Level IV and V IPSC matches must not exceed the number of 800 competitors participating in the main match.

The IPSC President expressed the view that such a drop in numbers would not be welcomed by competitors and that the Executive Council proposes instead

that numbers be limited to 960 competitors for Level IV matches and 1152 competitors for Level V matches.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

21. MotionThat the 2012 IPSC Assembly be adjourned.Moved:MacauSeconded:ArgentinaCarried:For-62 Against-0 Abstain-0