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## Vth. WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

We realise that the cancellation in Malaysia was a blow to most of you and that for some tickets for your airfare you would be charged for cancellation but we hope that you will not let it affect your enthusiasm. We have had offers from various sources to host the event and at this time they are checking out whether it is possible. We are very grateful to those who are trying to help and even if not all are successful we do appreciate your trying to help. For everyone we give thanks for your understanding and can only say that in future we shall have to get a binding agreement from countries who wish to host our events. For those of you who do not understand why things are like this we can only say that there are certain people who claim to be interested in the future of Taekwon-Do but who do not in fact practise Taekwon-Do and only seek to use it for their own political aggrandisement. Never mind! we shall succeed in our practise of the real Taekwon-Do, free from political manipulation.

We enclose an article from our Founder, General Choi Hong Hi, both in Korean and English. Please be kind enough to forward the article, both in Korean and your national language to one, or more, of your prominent newspapers. We want you to try very hard to get this article printed and should it be printed then please forward a copy to the Headquarters here in Vienna. We must not allow this injustice to go unnoticed but try to ensure that it is brought to the attention of the world's media.

## ENCLOSURES

We enclose copies of various items which were sent to us. We do this both to encourage you to send local items of interest and to let others see what happens in the different parts of the world. Sometimes we cannot copy all of the championship results etc. but we still wish you to send them. Keep'em comin'!

## GUATEMALA'S CHAMPIONSHIP

We inform you, our 'Escuela Argentina de Taekwon-Do' has sent a team to this recent championship obtaining 2 second places, 1 first, 1 fourth, first place in team's pattern and second place in team's free sparring.

## NO CASH

Some of you are sending cash in the post and we advise you not to do so. From now on do not send cash to us send an International Money Order made out to the ITF. Not only may the cash be stolen but it is illegal in most countries to send it by post. The ITF takes no responsibility for any loss of cash sent by post.

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### HUMAN WEAPON

Our search for a publisher has had some success and we have every hope that talks which are due to take place soon will confirm the publication. The date has been set as April 11th. of 1987. April 11th. is of course a historical date as it was the date on which 'Taekwon-Do' was named. We ask you once again for articles with which we can go into print. This time we are putting the onus on the National Governing Body and we ask that each of you send an article with photographs to the Headquarters. Following upon this we ask that each National Governing Body submit an article twice per year.

### SEASON'S GREETINGS

We extend the season's greetings to you all and hope that your celebrations might include a wish for the ITF to fulfill its plans for 1987.

### HUNGARIAN VISIT

A Korean team visited Hungary for the planned visit of one week to train and gain match experience. Culmination of the week was a Hungarian National Championships followed by matches between the Hungarian and Korean, male and female, teams. The whole event was dedicated to our Founder, General Choi Hong Hi, and was a total success with a packed house appreciating the friendly exchange. The Korean team won the female event and the Hungarian team the male.

### YUGOSLAVIAN VISIT

The Korean team also visited Yugoslavia for a week of training and preparation with a team event at the end. It was an important event for Yugoslavian Taekwon-Do as it was well covered by television and the media following extensive work to get Taekwon-Do into the limelight. The proceedings went well although there was a hiccup about team members taking part in pattern and sparring. The Korean female team were the winners but the male team from Yugoslavia was very strong and won in front of another full house.

### GREENLAND VISIT

A separate report is enclosed for this.

### INTERNATIONAL INSTRUCTOR/UMPIRE AND PROMOTION COURSE

The main course, the 3rd., in Vienna will be from March 9th. to 21st. inclusive. There will be a course in Argentina in June, in U.S.A. - mid July, in Malaysia - beginning of August.

### PUERTO RICO

The following is an article received from Mr. Benny Rivera:

I am pleased to inform you that two more associations have joined our National Federation, with three schools each. One is a student of Master Cho Soo Se, and the other is also a transfer from the WTF.

This past Sunday we held the 7ma BATALLA DE LAS GALAXIAS, an annual tournament open to ITF members only. The event was a smashing success with 600 competitors and over 3,000 spectators. We are anticipating an even greater response on March 8, 1987, for the 3rd. International Gen. Choi's Cup.