REGISTRATION

The International Taekwon-Do Federation was officially registered with the Austrian Authorities on 17th. March 1986. The Constitution had some necessary amendments made to be legally acceptable, copies of the English version will be sent to all member nations when received from the solicitor and formal acceptance will be asked for at the next congress.

NATIONAL GOVERNING BODY CONSTITUTIONS

Following registration it is necessary to have the member nations operating under a constitution. All national governing bodies must send the ITP a copy of their constitutions. This is to ensure that the ITP has up to date versions and should you feel that you would like to have a constitution which is in agreement with the ITP one then we are quite willing to send you a version. Please send a copy of your constitution or request the ITP to send one within 1 month of receipt of this newsletter.

CERTIFICATE FEES

The Board of Directors have agreed that the 1st. and 3rd. Degree certificate fees be raised. Therefore with effect from 1st. July 1986 the fee for 1st. degree certificate will be $80.00(US) and the fee for 3rd. degree certificate will be $150.00(US). This is only a small raise and since the fees have not been changed since 1980 then we feel sure that it will not cause hardship. The ITP are checking the gross national product for differing countries and the certificate fees for nations who are not so well off will be adjusted accordingly. PLEASE NOTE FROM JULY 1st. 1986 and all grading tests from this date must be with the agreement that the fees are as listed.

GRADINGS FOR IVTH. DEGREE & ABOVE

It has been agreed that all students wishing to grade for 4th. degree and above should come to the ITP HQ in Vienna to do so. Should there be difficulty due to finances then the ITP would appoint an examiner to take the tests in a country other than Austria.

PETITION TO THE IOC

It has been found necessary to commence a petition to the IOC with regard to recognition for ITP members. The IOC has stated that Taekwon-Do would only become an olympic sport following a merger between the 2 governing bodies. However the WTF does not feel the necessity to hold constructive talks with the ITP and is deliberately avoiding the issue, they seem to think that since TKD will be a demonstration item in Seoul that they do not need to pay any attention to the IOC any longer. It is now up to the ITP members to make the IOC aware of the position and the feelings of the members. A copy of the petition format is enclosed and you should follow the instructions which are also enclosed. You should make as many copies as you require and please follow the guidelines and stick to the dates given ESPECIALLY THE LATEST DATE FOR POSTING TO THE IOC. THIS IS AN EXTREMELY IMPORTANT ISSUE FOR ALL OF YOU!!! DO NOT BE LACKING IN EFFORT THIS TIME. THE ITP WILL KNOW WHETHER YOU ARE A TRUE SUPPORTER OR ONE OF THE 'say all but do nothing brigade'. WE RELY ON YOU ALL FOR THE FUTURE OF GENERATIONS TO COME.
EXPULSION

It has, unfortunately, been necessary to expel people from the ITF from time to time because they have breached the rules or exceeded their authority. It is also unfortunate that some of those who have been expelled still tell people that they are ITF members and cause confusion. We have therefore decided that as from now all members who are expelled will have that notified to other members so that there will not be any confusion about the true position. Mr. Kim Suk Jun, formerly a 6th. Degree, has been expelled from the ITF and may not say that he is a member nor represent the ITF in any way.

Vth. WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

As notified previously these will take place in Malaysia on December 8 to 11 of this year. The hosts are providing accomodation and board for the four days of the event. This will be for 10 people from each country which will include the male team members and officials. They will also provide for a female team of six members for the four days.
The address for Mr. Sabree Salleh who is the President of the Organizing Committee is No.3 Lorong 8/2, 40000 Shah Alam, Selangor, Malaysia and we ask you to re-confirm your participation and if you will send a female team.

HUMAN WEAPON MAGAZINE

This will be published from the ITF HQ and the first issue will be in June 1986. We request once again that you send articles to the HQ so that we will have sufficient material to continuously print. PLEASE. We also await your subscriptions and give thanks to those who have done so up till the present.

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP HOST 1988

Hungary have been given the honour of hosting the World Championships in 1988 and you can see how organized the ITF are. Congratulations to Mr. Harmat Laszlo, the President of Hungarian TKD.

The ITF Board of Directors and Directors have been in Vienna for the annual meeting and to celebrate the 20th. Anniversary of the ITF. Mr. Chon Jin Shik, Vice President, very kindly donated the funds to make this possible and we extend our thanks to him for his kind heart. Our Pounder, General Choi Hong Hi, gave an excellent speech about the history of the ITF and it was fascinating to hear of the events which led to the birth of our organization. The ITF is very fortunate indeed to have the founder remind us of the philosophy behind our art, far too often principles are sacrificed for commercial gains or some other purpose which detracts from the finer points of the art. More details will be published in the magazine. The First International Instructor and Umpire Course was held at the centre in Vienna and we thank Master Park Jung Tae for his excellent instruction throughout this course. A very nice presentation certificate was given to all members who attended the course and it will be a treasured momento to all who were fortunate to be there. All in all a very memorable 3 weeks and if it is anything to go by our future is well secured. Many thanks to everyone for all the hard work in the past and keep it up for the future.

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