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ITF Newsletter

We have had an **appeal from Honduras** for the ITF to help with medicines, clothes, food or money. Especially for the children and our ITF family of Taekwon-Do. This is because Honduras has suffered its worst natural disaster of the century, Hurricane Mitch. Honduras has lost 70% of its national infrastructure. About 8000 people are deceased and more than 1 million people are now refugees. You may contact master Raul Bonilla by Fax: +504 2339809. If you wish to make a donation then please send it to The International Bank of Miami, 2121 Southwest Third Avenue, Miami 33129, Florida. ABA 067001699 for credit to account number 99000516306 with final account credit number 9107001484 of Banco Mercantil, Tegucigalpa, Honduras to favour Asociacion Hondurena de TaekwonDo.

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Many people have asked us why it is that Korea(South) do not seem interested to consolidate TKD. The answer is complex but if you want

to find out the answer then please write to "The President of South Korea, Blue House, Sejong-no, Chongno-gu, Seoul 110-050, REPUBLIC of KOREA.

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The ITF now have the facilities to allow members to transact with their **VISA cards**. VISA may be used for all transactions, including certificate fees, but there is a surcharge of 4% on all transactions. Please quote your card number and expiry date to use this facility.

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The ITF archives do not contain information about the 1st. World Championships in Canada, the 2nd. In Oklahoma or the 3rd. In Argentina. If anyone has any information or photographs would you please send it to the Secretariat in Vienna so that we may have a record. We shall be eternally grateful and thank you in advance.

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INTERNATIONAL SEMINARS

1999

Instructed by Gen. Choi Hong Hi

FEBRUARY – 8/10 – UZBEKISTAN, Phone/Fax: Mr. Volmir Ligay + 7 3711 330836.
12/14 – St. Petersburg, RUSSIA, Phone: Mr. Michael Shmelev +7 812 2648792, Fax: 2553402. **27/28** – Denver, USA, Phone: Grand Master Sereff +1 303 4664963, Fax: 4663587

MARCH – 1 – as above at Feb 27/28.

Instructed by Master Choi Jung Hwa

JANUARY - 7/9 - Melbourne, AUSTRALIA, Phone/Fax: Mr. Robert Lai +61 3 93649837, **22/24** – Perth, Australia, Phone: Mr Low Ming Tuck +61 09 2997061, Fax: +61 08 92989057.

FEBRUARY – 5/7 – Vez Prem, HUNGARY, Phone: Dr. Somlai +36 88 322545.

MARCH – 12/14 – ITALY, Phone/Fax: master Wim Bos +39 06 66410084. **19/21** – SCOTLAND.

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CHAMPIONSHIPS

1999

FEBRUARY - 15 - Philippines are planning to hold an open. Fax Mr. Johnny Morris Arsol +63 2 7463476. **27** - Maribor, Slovenia Phone/Fax: Thomas Barada +386 62 314634. **27/28** - Bolivia are planning to hold an open. Fax Mr. Eduardo Ruiz Bass Werner +591 66 45993. ? - Turkmenistan Nationals.

MARCH - 5/7 - Poland/Germany Tournament, Köln, Germany. **6/7** INTA open, Ireland. Phone/Fax Mr. Brendan O'Toole +353 1 6710705, e-mail inta@iol.ie. **12/14** - Poland/Czech Tournament, Trebon, Czech.

APRIL - 22/25 - Euro Senior & Junior, Riccione, Italy. Phone/Fax: +39 06 66410084.

MAY - 21/23 - Polish Junior Championships.

JUNE - 4/6 - Polish Senior Championships.

August - 28 to September 5 - XIth. Senior World - ARGENTINA. Phone/Fax Master Nestor Galarraga +54 1 2816552.

2000

Our last announcement that POLAND would host the Euros in this year was not correct.

HONDURAS have applied to host the Vth. Junior World.

CANADA have applied to host the Vth. Junior World.

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POLAND and ITALY have applied to host the XIIth. Senior World.

RUSSIA have applied to host the VIth. Junior World.

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We remind you that for Continental Championships you must have written permission from the ITF.

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OTHER EVENTS

PROMOTIONS

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VIIth. Dan

Aug - 9 - Orello Ellis, UK.

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Sep - 6 - Gary Miller, UK.

Vth. Dan

May - 01 - Miguel Paccot, Argentina, 17 - Jing Choon Tan, Gaik Wooi Cheah, Malaysia.

Aug - 9 - Barry Parsons, UK.

Sep - 6 - Andrew Whiteley, UK.

Oct - 15 - Glen Graham, USA.

IVth. Dan

May - 13 - Hung Su Ri, Chol Nam Ri, Ok Ra So, Yong Sun Kim, Hong Guk Kim, Korea.

Jun - 6 - U Chol Son, Korea. 30 - Robert Kopec, Poland.

Jul - 25 - Harry Lipscombe, Kurt Ottesen, Canada.

Aug - 1 - Robin Johnson, USA. 9 - Vladimir Beliakov, France. Stephen Cooley, Ireland. Antonio Benimeli, Netherlands. 15 - James Rebic, USA. 30 - Luis Freytes, Puerto Rico.

Sep - 4 - Iouri Maiburov, Madan Andrey, Russia. 5 - Patrick Fox, Ireland. 6 - David Hirst, David Smith, Paul Knighton, Ian Britton, UK. 19 - Thomas Walker, Kevin Hannigan, Ireland. 20 - Stephen Brown, UK.

Oct - 3 - Kevin Rouse, Bill Byrne, Victor Williams, USA.

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It should be noted that **hosts for seminars should not be given certificate fees** as the responsibility is with the National Association of the person who is grading. The certificate application form should be taken to the grading with the examiner fee plus an ITF grading form and handed to the examiner. The examiner will then sign the form if the applicant is successful and give it back to the person who took the grading. The form should then be sent to the NGB(or the ITF direct) along with the certificate fee to process the application for the certificate. Should this procedure not be followed then the ITF take no responsibility for what happens.

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The ITF take no responsibility for incorrect details which are published in the newsletter for items submitted by members.

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Confirmation in Joong-Gun Tul that move number 30 should be performed in a slow motion.

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The end of another year is here and the ITF have continued to be better. This year the magazine has managed to be published on time. The magazine, although not yet selling in huge numbers, is beginning to be popular with people finding out about it and wanting to have it. Some people are comparing it with other magazines but this is a mistake as the concept is not the same. Some people think it should have more pages but if you compare it with other magazines you will see that it does not have many pages of advertising as compared to the others and so the actual content is more. The newsletter continues to be published and this year nearly made the target of 1 newsletter every two months. In fact there were five newsletters and not the target of 6. The correspondence is more each year with a 25%+ growth for 1998. Next year all targets will be met. We take this opportunity to remind plaque holders that they should pay their plaque fees without waiting for a reminder from the ITF. For those of you who paid the magazine in 1997 we remind you that you should have paid for 1998. The souvenir for Masters and Grand Masters has become a reality as we have the samples to hand and the order has been placed for the items. They should be available early in the new year and will be sent shortly after. It remains only to thank everyone for their participation over the last year.

Season's Greetings.