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MAN OF THE YEAR 1989

It gives great pleasure to see that our father, Founder of Taekwon-Do, Gen. Choi Hong Hi, has been selected as The Man of the Year for 1989. This is a wonderful beginning to the year and gives great hope that the proper recognition, throughout the world by all of the people practising Taekwon-Do, will follow. For too long has political manoeuvring suppressed the facts. We sincerely hope that this kind of goodwill will spread and allow the proper development of Taekwon-Do to take place. Enclosed is a copy of the article from TaekwonDo Times Hall of Fame Awards, for which we thank them.

FOUNDATION - I.A.P.T.

The foundation, which we have notified you of previously, is given its full name as the International Association for the Promotion and Popularization of the Original Taekwon-Do (I.A.P.T.). Full details will be given at a later date but in the meantime we give an outline of the procedures. Every black belt who wishes to participate in the IAPT must pay the appropriate fee. Those who are already black belts should pay the fee, equivalent to their grade, now. The fee should be sent to Mr. HWANG Jin, IAPT Administration, Sakura Sun River Building, 2-30 Sumiyoshi Cho, Fuchu-City, Tokyo 183, JAPAN or paid direct into the bank account of International Association for the Promotion and Popularization of the Original Taekwon-Do at the Mitsubishi Bank Co. Ltd., Fuchu Branch Office, Fuchu City, Tokyo, Japan, for account number 0000792. All payments should be accompanied by, or sent to Mr. Hwang Jin separately if a direct bank transfer is made, a list of the participants giving details of their surname, forename, address, date of birth, degree. A copy should also be sent to the ITF HQ in Vienna.

VIIth. WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Enclosed are some details received from the President of the championships and we encourage you to plan ahead for a holiday in Canada where we are sure that you will be well looked after.

IOC

The subject of TKD was not discussed at the IOC Executive meeting in Vienna last December. This would mean, under normal circumstances, that TKD will not be an Olympic sport in 1992. The failure of the World TKD Federation (WTF) to cooperate with the ITF has made it unlikely that TKD will be an Olympic sport. We feel a bit sad about this but have to think that until the sport is properly governed by the correct people then it is better to wait a bit longer. However, Mr. Un Yong Kim is quoted as saying that TKD could still be discussed at the IOC Executive meeting which is scheduled to take place in Barcelona in April 1989. **We urge you to make direct contact with your National Olympic Committee to ensure that they are aware of your feelings and to keep them aware that you exist and how strong you are. Your help is required to ensure that we get a fair hearing from the Tribunal to whom we have submitted our case. DO NOT SIT BACK AND EXPECT EVERYTHING TO BE DONE FOR YOU, GET UP AND DO SOME WORK FOR YOURSELF AND EVERYONE ELSE.** Make a direct telephone call and report your status, in this way you can establish contact. It is always better in person so why not follow up with a visit.

CHINA

Following his very successful visit to China, Master Park Jung Tae concluded the course with a grading. At the closing ceremony on December 17th. there were 48 students promoted to Black Belt. On behalf of Gen. Choi Hong Hi and all the members we offer our congratulations.

WORLD FESTIVAL OF YOUTH AND STUDENTS - UNIVERSIADE

As notified previously, this event is being held in DPR Korea. It will be held from July 2nd. to 7th. of this year. Any TKD black belt practitioners may participate and at this time we would like to know how many people will attend the event. **Will all those who intend to participate please tell this HQ by the first of February so that we may make arrangements.** National associations should let us know the number of athletes and others. The fare from Moscow or Peking to Korea will be paid by the ITF and we need to make early bookings.

INTERNATIONAL COURSES

The course in Vienna commences on March 6th. and we should have your application forms by now, if not, then please do so now.

Australia will hold their course from May 1st. to 12th. and this HQ would like to have a list of the names of those who intend to participate.

In Canada the course is scheduled for August and all enquiries should be made to Mr. Tran Trieu Quan, Director ITF, President CTFI, 2773 Chemin St. Louis, Ste. Foy, Quebec G1W 1P1, CANADA.

We remind the hosts that they must have 60 or more participants for the ITF to pay the expenses (airfare, hotel, subsistence) of the Master Instructor. Otherwise the host must pay for all expenses.

COLOURED BELT TOURNAMENT RULES

This is to clarify that the rules should be the same as for black belts.

DOBOKS

The ITF are in a position to supply doboks. They may be supplied in 60% polyester 40% cotton or 100% cotton or in heavy 'Tokaido' material. The sizes range from 1 to 10 with number 10 being for 190cm and over.

INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENT

Australia are hosting an international tournament in the State Sports Centre in Sydney on May 14th., following the international course. Any teams who wish to participate should write to Mr. Simon H. BIDDULPH, P.O. Box 170, Scone, NSW 2337, AUSTRALIA.

ENCLOSED

Some reports and championship results are enclosed from around the world. We like the fact that Honduras sent a report to their National Olympic Committee. Please, everyone do so also for your own events.

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