ITF SPOKESMAN

We are pleased to announce that the ITF have a new spokesman. He is Master Hwang Kwang Sung and we take this opportunity to wish him the very best, in this appointment, from all the members. In conjunction with Master Hwang Kwang Sung being the spokesman there is now an ITF branch office opened to enable the people of North America to receive information more quickly. Please write, or enquire from:

Master Kwang Sung HWANG, Spokesman ITF, 341 Broad Street, Manchester, Connecticut 06040, USA. Telephone Manchester (203) 4949691.

This branch office does not take over any of the ITF's responsibilities for certificates etc. so please take note.

TELEFACS (FAX)

The ITF have a FAX machine installed. The code is Vienna (0222) in Austria or (222) from other countries. The number is 963036.

During the normal working day the FAX machine may be in use as a telephone and when you wish to telephone then you may have to try two times. Otherwise the FAX mode will be switched on for 24 hours a day.

13th. WFYS

Enclosed is various paperwork in connection with the tournament in DPR Korea. Please take note of what is required and the dates it is required by. The list of names for competitors, required by the planners (NOT the list of everyone with passport numbers etc) should arrive at the ITF HQ no later than May 22nd.

There will be 24 countries competing in Korea.

The season in Korea will be summer with temperatures about 25° celsius. The electricity is 220 volt, 60 cycles. You can take cameras, including video cameras, with you.

ADDRESS for Gen. Choi Hong Hi

Many people enquire about the address and we give it here. We ask you to be considerate in your writing to Gen. Choi Hong Hi, and to note that your writing should not be for routine things which the ITF HQ is responsible for, but rather items of a personal nature.

Gen. Hong Hi CHOI, President ITF, 4216 Regency Drive, Mississauga, Ontario L5C 4K4, CANADA.

TKD TIMES MAGAZINE

Our relationship with the publisher seems to be on a good footing and although some people have said that they do not print our articles, they assure us that they print what makes good reading. You have to make sure that you submit good articles and good photographs, please remember that a quality magazine likes to keep it that way. Articles should be submitted direct to them at 1423 18th Street, Bettendorf, Iowa 52722, USA, Tel (319) 3597202.
TOURNAMENT RULES

Further to our notifying you of changes to the rules we inform you further that there will no longer be a Free Special Technique included. Copies of the latest rules are being sent to all National Associations with this newsletter. Should you not get a copy but would like to have one then please ask your national association.

PROMOTIONS

With effect from the next newsletter we intend to publish lists of the names of all who are promoted from 4th. degree upwards.

SPANISH PETITION

This was given to people some time ago. We enclose another copy. Although some people say that there is no point in having a petition it depends on the circumstances. Please be kind enough to support the Spanish people in their efforts to help you. When you need more copies then please photocopy the original and send it to all schools. When they are complete then please send them direct to Mr. Hernando PINILLA PEREZ, President TKD Association, Avda. Meridiana, 344; 8ºD, Barcelona 08027, SPAIN. The object is to have ITF TKD as a demonstration sport in the 1992 Olympics. Surely we do not have to emphasize it any more than that.

ENCLOSURES

We have encouraged you to send us publicity material, championship results, etc. and it is good to have a response. The intention is to include these things in the bulletin but we publish various items, as listed, with the newsletter to show you that we do take note and want you to continue sending.

Encls: Tournament Rules Amended March 1989
Letters: 071/PLO, 184/DPRK
Forms: Competitor Details, Entry - Individual
Spanish Petition
Application Form, Degree Test in Spanish and Italian

Results: USTF National Tournament. Norwegian National Tournament.

Letters: Dr. Peter Catania to Canadian Olympic Association and IOC.
Association Espanola Amateur to ITF members.
Polish TKD Situation Report.
International Herald Tribune article re Olympics.
TKD Times article re Bernhard Jegan.
Martial Arts Journal article re Master C. Sereff.
Davoser Zeitung article re the official Registration of the Swiss TKD.

International Taekwondo Federation
A-1070 Wien, Strudlhofstr. 45, Austria
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ITF YEARBOOK

You should be aware that this was not subscribed to and that therefore it will not be published. Consequently the money will be refunded and you should write to this HQ giving details of your name etc and advising us how many copies that you paid for. Refunding the money is not so easy and we ask that you try to offset the money somehow by buying something in place of a refund. Photographs of Gen. Choi Hong Hi are available at $15.00 but we are sure that you will not mind paying the $16.00 to help in this case. Black belt badges (pins) are $4.00 each. You could put it towards your certificate fee/ the Foundation Fee or otherwise. Kup certificates cost 50 cents each. Try to help with this.

ITF BULLETIN

It is intended that this will replace the Human Weapon and therefore we intend to send copies to those who paid for the magazine. Copies will be sent to you for this year free of charge. Please write to us giving your name and address and we will send you a copy of the bulletin. Should you have paid for more than one then please advise us.

NATIONAL OLYMPIC ASSOCIATIONS

As you will see from this, and previous, correspondence some people are going out of their way to ensure that their NOC is aware that they exist. This is very gratifying to see and is exactly what we need at this time. Various stories appear in print and the message seems to be that the IOC will not include TKD in the 1992 Olympics. We do not believe that this is necessarily so and we want to ensure that the IOC do not ignore us. Or that they are able to say that we did not write regularly, or push for our recognition. The tribunal case is still alive, albeit that the lawyer had to go to the magazines to say that the tribunal did not answer his letters. They say that it was unfair but we have so many instances of the IOC not answering correspondence that something out of the ordinary has to be done. Make no mistake about it, our fight for recognition is not well liked in some quarters and we must not let up. Our hope is that you will continue to keep yourselves in the limelight in your country and we urge you to visit your NOC, even although they will try to fob you off.

It is thought that the IOC meetings in Barcelona in April and Puerto Rico in August are crucial. If the WTF are to have a chance then they must continually make the case that they are the only creditable body. There is no chance of that while we are vigilant and active. There should be no chance that the WTF FULL CONTACT is acceptable to the IOC. Never mind that observers at the Seoul Olympics said that the judging was suspect. In Malaysia, the WTF held a World Championship and it only attracted around ten teams, can you imagine that this is the body who are claiming to represent TKD. Never mind that they do not even practice TKD. IT IS UP TO YOU TO MAKE THE BIG NOISE WHICH WILL ENCOURAGE THE AUTHORITIES TO RECOGNISE YOUR LEGITIMATE CLAIMS. GET ON WITH IT NOW.