



International Correspondence Chess Federation

General Secretary Report to Congress

August 2017

Dear ICCF Delegates, Officials, Players, and Friends,

I am pleased to be returning to Bulgaria again. Pleven in 2008 and now in the wonderful Black Sea resort town of Albena at the 5-star Flamingo Grand Hotel. I am grateful to Petyo Marinov and all the Bulgarian Correspondence Chess Federation members for their help in organizing this event -- some tasks have been in work since the beginning of the year!

Membership

Following last year's decision to suspend the Federation of Tunisia, this year, sadly, I am recommending the dismissal of the Tunisian Federation (Zone 4) in accordance with ICCF Article 17 of the Statutes for 3+ years of non-payment of member dues. The Finance Director concurs and the ICCF Auditor recommends writing off the outstanding debt as unrecoverable.

As our Finance Director noted in his report, despite receiving several reminders, the Federation for Tunisia has yet to make any payment in respect of fees for 2014 and 2015. Following Article 17 of the ICCF Statutes, I am recommending that the membership of the Tunisian Federation now be suspended (voting rights and tournament entry entitlements will be withdrawn and restored only if and when outstanding fees are paid). Should these charges remain unpaid by the time of the 2017 Congress, then the Tunisian Federation may be expelled.

On a bright note, we have received an application for membership from the Indonesian Federation and we are excited to welcome their delegate, Yousu Sitorus to Congress.

2018 Congress

One Federation proposed to host the 2018 Congress; however, that proposal has been withdrawn. As of now, there are no active proposals to host a Congress for 2018 and according to the statutes, the ICCF President will determine the course of action.

Regards,

Michael Millstone
ICCF General Secretary