**Report of the Adjudication System for the Congress 2020**

Since the last Congress, 557 adjudications have taken place. There have been very few protests, which are all handled manually – a one-digit number of cases regrettably not counted precisely.

Currently, 77 adjudicators are active, among them 7 panelists.

Thanks to their dedicated and reliable work, all adjudications have been settled in a short period. The average time to proceed with an adjudication was a bit less than 6 days of all adjudications since the system was automated.

The playing strength of the adjudicators allows adjudications of games in tournaments of all playing levels.

Since the panels have become automated, the live fort he adjudication system as well as for the panelists has become much more manageable. Consequently, it was possible to concentrate on cases of discussion and dispute.

As the presentation and explanations of the adjudications for the players have been optimized, there are fewer cases than last year in which players who claimed a win failed to submit an analysis. Consequently, there are less disappointed customers.

Apart from my sincere thanks to all the adjudicators and panelists, it is my genuine, which to express my gratitude to Frank Geider, Austin Lockwood, and Dennis Doren. Their help, support, and advice was valuable for the functioning oft he adjudication system.

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