

**CASI STRUCTURE AND GOALS
NOW AND IN THE FUTURE**

The duties and powers of the CASI today are, according to our Statutes:

- 5.6.1.1! Seek to further the development of air sports
- S 2 Establish and keep current the General Section of the Sporting Code
- F 3 Advise the G C on appropriate measures to develop air sports which appear to be outside the mandate of existing FAI Commissions
- 4 When so directed by the Executive Board, serve as the FAI final court of appeal concerning international sporting events and record attempts.
- 5 In the event of an appeal against a decision relating to a dispute of a sporting nature, establish an International Appeals Tribunal.
- 6 Carry out other tasks related to air sports as assigned by the G C or the E B.

Of these duties, CASI has for many years concentrated almost solely on § 2. The other items have been more or less dormant. In the present situation Appeals/Tribunals have also more or less disappeared.

Where CASI has been rather inactive is our Number1 duty, development of Air Sports. Certainly this is an area where CASI has great opportunities, as well as a duty, to benefit FAI activities. This especially concerns the furthering and development of FAI Air Games, and eventually the FAI WAG again.

The obvious strategy for CASI in this endeavour must be to encourage and develop cooperation between ASCs, through half our members, who are the ASC Presidents.

In this context it is necessary to view the composition of CASI: Ex officio members of CASI are the 10 ASC Presidents, the other half being the 10 elected NAC representatives. This makes for a formidable task force, a total of 20 highly competent people. The results of our efforts however, have been rather meager.

In addition FAI entertains the ASC Presidents Group, which to a large extent duplicates the composition of CASI. The results of the activities of the ASC Presidents meetings, at least so far, have unfortunately more or less been limited to brief minutes.

My conclusion is that these two groups, the CASI and the ASC Presidents Group, represent a tremendous concentration of energy and expertise within the FAI. However, these vast resources are not efficiently utilized.

This paper does not propose to merge the two bodies, neither does it suggest a change in the composition of the CASI. And there are no such proposals on the table. But certainly these issues should be seriously discussed in CASI, which also encompasses the entire ASC Presidents Group.

There are perhaps reasons to critically assess the duplication of the two groups. Is the composition of CASI optimized, or can it be improved?

Above all we should concentrate on improving our record concerning our No 1 duty, the development of Air Sports within FAI. Especially, we possess great possibilities to improve cooperation between ASCs, and in that way enhance the image of Air Sports and FAI globally.

A great challenge for CASI and ASCs, a wonderful opportunity for FAI.