PROPOSAL TO 2023 IGC PLENARY

Year 2

from the IGC Sporting Code committee

Delete need for OOs to have NAC written approval to act on World & Continental record claims.

Discussion:

The Sporting Code committee sees the OO being required to have written approval from their NAC to officiate World and Continental records as a legacy from the past which can be deleted.

OO actions before start and after landing are no different for records than they are for badge claims. As further control, SC3-3.0b states that for a World or Continental record claim the organizing NAC must examine the claim to ensure that it complies with the Sporting Code. This ensures that the work of the pilot, OO, and Data Analyst is correct.

For planned record-breaking attempts (such as altitude gain or wave flights in South America) the pilot may be able to arrange for a suitable OO to be present, but such a "senior" OO is often unlikely to be available on an unexpectedly good day at the local airfield. Potential European records have been lost due to this Code restriction.

Proposed:

The "written approval" requirement be removed and all text modified accordingly.

The changes to SC3:

Delete SC3-4.2.3b

Delete "written approval from their organizing NAC and from" from Annex C-1.3e.

Delete reference to written authorization in Part 1 of Record Form E.