PROPOSAL TO IGC PLENARY 2006

Proposed by IGC Bureau

It is Proposed That:

The IGC endorses the principle that at least one World Gliding Championships should be held outside of Europe every four years, commencing in 2010, provided that a satisfactory bid has been received from an active IGC member country.

This Proposal affects:

Sporting Code Section – Nil
Annex A Rule – Nil
Other - Nil

Reasons supporting the Proposal:

The concept of World Championships is that they should be able to be staged in any active IGC member country. It is acknowledged that there is a significant cost involved for countries that have to spend teams overseas to compete.

However, the Bureau is concerned that there is a risk that the World Championships may be Europeanized. This will increase the costs of participation in World Championships for non-European countries. This situation creates a significant risk that non-European nations will cease their involvement with the IGC and create their own competition circuit.

This would be unacceptable to the IGC.