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# Minutes

of the Annual Meeting 2010 of the

## FAI General Aviation Commission (GAC)

**held at the Maison du Sport International  
in Lausanne, Switzerland  
on 30 October 2010**

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## **1. Welcome and Roll Call of the Delegates**

The meeting of the General Aviation Commission (GAC) was called to order Saturday, 30 October 2010 at 08:33 by Mr. Pedro Cabañero, GAC President.

A roll call of the delegates was made by Mr. Art Greenfield, Secretary. The Secretary noted that in accordance with chapter 5.3.3 of the FAI By-Laws, Mr. Juan Ramon Alvarez Caramazana was appointed as substitute by Spain and will have voting rights.

The following three proxies were approved: Belgium to Austria, Egypt to Luxembourg, and Portugal to Spain. For the record, it was noted there were 25 votes present, including proxies.

Mr. Cabañero asked if anyone wished to make a declaration of a conflict of interest, and there were none.

The delegates stood in silence to honor friends who had passed away since the last meeting, including: Mrs. Marisi Martinez [wife of Jesus Mas] (Spain), Mr. Alex McLean (Spain), and Roberto Manzaroli (Italy).

## **2. Approval of the Agenda**

The agenda for the meeting was approved.

## **3. Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held in Palma de Mallorca (Spain) on 07 November 2009 were approved as written.

## **4. Report On GAC Activities during the Year**

Mr. Pedro Cabañero congratulated Poland on their success at the 17th FAI World Rally Flying Championship held in Dubnica (Slovakia) in August 2010. He thanked the organizers and all who participated in the event.

Mr. Cabañero reported that he attended the FAI General Conference in Dublin (Ireland). He noted that Dr. John Grubbström was elected as the new President of FAI, and that two new Executive Directors had been elected to the Executive Board. Two commissions, namely GAC and CIMA, meet each year after the General Conference and this has caused budgeting problems for FAI. Therefore, FAI encouraged the commissions to hold their meetings prior to the conference. It was noted that next year the conference would be held 11-16 October 2011 in Belgrade (Serbia). Finally, it was announced during the conference that the 2011 World Air Games had been cancelled and that now plans were being made to hold the games in 2013. GAC will participate in the next games with its new Air Navigation Race (ANR).

Mr. Cabañero noted that only 5-6 countries have been responsible for organizing the various World and European Championships and commission meetings over the past 10 years. He encouraged other countries that have not recently organized a championship or meeting to please increase their participation and do so.

Finally, Mr. Cabañero stated that he would not accept the nomination for GAC president for the coming year. However, he will continue to be involved in GAC competitions and as the Delegate from Spain. He thanked everyone for their support over the years.

## **5. Report On FAI Activities during the Year**

Mr. Jean-Marc Badan, FAI Sports & Development Director, reported on various FAI activities during the year (see Annex 5).

## **6. Past International Competitions**

### 17th FAI World Rally Flying Championship

Mr. Jiri Dodal, President of the International Jury, reported on the 17th FAI World Rally Flying Championship held in Dubnica nad Váhom (Slovak Republic) in August 2010 (see Annex 6.1). He confirmed that the 400 Euros (representing monies for denied protests) mentioned in his report were given to the FAI Secretariat during the General Conference in Dublin (Ireland).

### 2010 Schengen 25 Anniversary Events

Mr. Jean Birgen reported on four events that he organized in celebration of the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Schengen agreement (see Annex 6.2). This agreement allows pilots to fly in the Schengen area without customs and other restrictions. Two of the four events were cancelled because of too few participants. Mr. Jean-Marc Badan requested that future projects be coordinated with FAI headquarters so that press releases and news stories could be issued. These measures may help to increase participation.

## **7. Future International Competitions**

### 8<sup>th</sup> FAI European Rally Flying Championship

Mr. Janos Benedek presented a bid to host the 8th FAI European Rally Flying Championship in Dunakeszi (Hungary), 29 August - 03 September 2011. The bid and local rules were approved (see Annexes 7.1a & 7.1b).

### 20th FAI World Precision Flying Championship

Mr. Hans Schwebel presented a bid to host the 20th FAI World Precision Flying Championship in Brits (South Africa), 23-29 October 2011. The bid and local rules were approved (see Annexes 7.2a & 7.2b).

### 18th FAI World Rally Flying Championship

Mr. Krzysztof Lenartowicz reported that the final bid to hold the 18th FAI World Rally Flying Championship in Jelenia Góra (Poland) in 2012 would be presented at the 2011 GAC meeting.

### Declarations of Interest in Hosting Future Competitions

The delegates from the Czech Republic expressed an interest in holding the 19th FAI World Rally Flying Championship in 2014.

The delegates from Germany expressed an interest in holding 21st FAI World Precision Flying Championship in 2013.

## **8. Subcommittee Reports**

### Air Navigation Race Subcommittee

Mr. Heini Schawalder, Chairman of the Air Navigation Race Subcommittee, reported on the activities during the past year (see Annex 8.1). He noted that the 1st Swiss National Championship for ANR was held in July on the 100th anniversary of aviation in Switzerland.

Mr. Schawalder noted that the subcommittee had prepared various software and other material that is now available in the GAC section of the FAI website. He invited countries with an interest

in participating in ANR in the future to attend a special training session to be held in Donaueschingen (Germany), 29 April-01 May 2011.

#### Precision Flying Subcommittee

Mr. Johann Gutmann, Chairman of the Precision Flying Subcommittee, proposed several changes to the Rules and Regulations for Precision Flying (see Annex 8.2). The proposed changes (appearing in red in the annex) were approved.

#### Rally Flying Subcommittee

Mr. Andrzej Osowski, Chairman of the Rally Flying Subcommittee, presented his report (see Annex 8.3a). He also proposed one change to paragraph A 3.2.6 of the Rules and Regulations for Air Rally Flying (see Annex 8.3b). The proposed change was approved.

#### Records Subcommittee

Mr. Art Greenfield, Chairman of the Records Subcommittee, proposed several changes to Section 2 of the FAI Sporting Code. In addition, Mr. Heini Schawalder proposed that the Air Navigation Race (ANR) be added to the list of GAC competitions in Chapter 7. The proposed changes were approved and will take effect 01 January 2010 (see Annex 8.4).

### **9. Finances**

#### Treasurer's report

Mr. Jiří Dodal, GAC Treasurer, reviewed the income and expenditures during 2009-2010 (see Annexes 9.1 & 9.2). The report was approved.

#### Budget for 2010

Mr. Dodal also presented the proposed budget for 2011 (see Annex 9.2). The budget was approved.

### **10. Technical Representative Reports**

#### Technical Advisor, GNSS

Mr. Hans Schwebel reported for Mr. Jan Hanekom, GAC Technical Advisor, GNSS (see Annex 10.1).

The Secretary reminded the delegates that he had been tasked with contacting the GNSS manufacturers to remind them to keep their flight recorder information up-to-date on their websites. However, after further investigation, he believes that GAC should take more responsibility for the matter and not rely solely on the manufacturer. He recommended that GAC provide more than just a list of approved devices on its website, but should also provide the user manual and file verification software for download on the GAC website. The GAC-imposed limitations of the device should also be included.

The Secretary also noted that he had made several attempts to make contact with IcaroSystems, manufacturer of the GAC-approved FS-Logger, but was unsuccessful.

#### Webmaster

Mr. Hans Schwebel reported for Mr. Chris Booyen, GAC webmaster (see Annex 10.2).

## 11. Lunch

The President temporarily adjourned the meeting for lunch at 12:50. After calling the meeting back in session at 14:15, the Secretary took a roll call and noted that there were 22 votes present, including proxies.

## 12. Other Business

The President asked the delegates if there was any other business to discuss, and there was none.

## 13. Elections & Appointments

The commission held elections with the results as follows:

### Election of Bureau

President.....	Mr. Johann Gutmann
1st Vice President/Secretary.....	Mr. Hans Schwebel
2nd Vice President/Treasurer.....	Mr. Vagn Jensen

Immediately after being elected as the new President of GAC, Mr. Johann Gutmann nominated Mr. Pedro Cabañero as GAC President of Honour. The delegates then elected Mr. Cabañero as President of Honour.

### Election of Subcommittee Chairmen

Precision Flying Subcommittee.....	Mr. Jiří Dodal
Rally Flying Subcommittee.....	Mr. Andrzej Osowski
Air Nav Race Subcommittee.....	Mr. Maurice Ducret
Records Subcommittee.....	Mr. Art Greenfield

### Election of Technical Representatives

FAI Air Sport General Commission.....	Mr. Jean Birgen
FAI Environmental Commission.....	Mr. Henry Lindholm
FAI Commission on Airspace and Navigation Systems.....	Mr. Henry Lindholm
FAI Medico-Physiological Commission.....	Mr. Henry Lindholm
World Air Games Liaison Officer.....	Mr. Heini Schawalter
Webmaster.....	Mr. Chris Booyen
Technical Adviser, GNSS.....	Mr. Jan Hanekom
Technical Adviser, Long Range Air Racing.....	Mr. Johann Gutmann

### Appointment of International Jury Members and Judges

The Secretary noted that the following applications for jury members and judges had been received:

International Jury Members--Rally Flying:  
Jacques Carriquiriberry (France)  
Pedro Cabañero Marimon (Spain)

International Jury Members--Precision Flying:  
Bertrand De Greef (France)

International Judges--Rally and Precision Flying:

Johann Gutmann (Austria)  
Paul Szameitat (Austria)  
Petr Vestfal (Czech Republic)  
Annegrete Zobbe (Denmark)  
Jean-Claude Lochet (France)  
Philippe Muller (France)  
Frank Michael Eckard (South Africa)  
Arddyn Moolman (South Africa)  
Antony Lawrence Russell (South Africa)

The Secretary also noted that several requests had been received from delegates asking for removal of various persons from the lists and that those removals would be reflected in the new list when it is published.

#### **14. Date and Time of the Next GAC Plenary Meeting**

Mr. Pedro Cabañero noted that it would require a 2/3 majority vote to hold the next GAC meeting outside of Lausanne (Switzerland) and that Austria wished to host the meeting in 2011.

The delegates voted to hold the next meeting in Salzburg (Austria), 17-20 November 2011.

#### **15. Adjournment**

Mr. Pedro Cabañero adjourned the meeting at 15:47.

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