REPORT FROM THE IGC REPRESENTATIVE TO CASI

For the IGC meeting March 2007 By Tor Johannessen

The FAI General Conference (GC) with the two CASI meetings were held in October in Rhodes, Greece..

The CASI Bureau has consisted of President Henry Lindholm (Sweden), 1st Vice President Tor Johannessen (IGC/Norway), Vice Presidents Art Greenfield (USA) and Robert Carlsson (Canada), and Secretary Gill Winter (France). As last year the commission's functioning has not been without problems, as the president again was out of communication for most of the year. He didn't even show up for the meeting in Rhodes. Luckily the secretary was very efficient and in cooperation with her the bureau managed to do most of the preparations for the meeting in Rhodes.

The major item at the meeting was the approval of the General Rules for the World Air Games 2009. In addition some of the rules in the General Section of the Sporting Code would probably have to be changed to accommodate the WAG. A working group had been set up earlier to look at this and pointed out several paragraphs that had to be amended. However, a different approach was selected as it was not completely apparent where a conflict existed. Instead, the WAG 2009 rules were preference over the General Section. The WAG General Rules were approved with the exception of one paragraph were a working group was asked to propose a new wording.

Other matters:

- 1. A paper from the UK NAC with several proposals took most of the meeting's time. No major policy matter was included in the proposals and some were accepted and some were rejected. In addition a working group was asked to deal with several paragraphs of minor importance that couldn't be covered in the time available.
- 2. A proposal from the FAI Secretariat to reduce the time limit for the registration of Category Two Events to thirty days was approved.
- 3. A proposal to accept a reduced time limit for transfer of nationality to another country following geopolitical change was approved.
- 4. A proposal to reduce the time limit for sending the results for Category One Events to the FAI Secretariat and also involve the Jury President was approved.
- 5. A proposal from CIVL to reduce the number of FAI Diplomas awarded at championships was rejected.
- 6. A proposal from CIACA to change the word Aerodyne to Aeroplane in 2.2.1 Class C and the Table of Contents was approved.
- 7. Elections. As also done last year I again proposed that the CASI Bureau be expended to include four vice presidents. This was accepted this year. At the General Conference the outcome of the vote for delegates to CASI resulted in re-election of all countries. Consequently the same countries as before will send delegates to CASI for 2008: Australia, Canada, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Poland, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and USA.

In the elections at the end of the meeting Henk Meertens (Australia) was elected president, Sandi Pimenoff (CIAM) was elected first vice president, John Aldridge (CIVL), Graeme Windsor (CIP) and Jean-Francois Schwarz (France) were elected vice presidents and Gillian Winter (France) was elected secretary.