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## 1. Submissions 043-11, 044-11 and 045-11

Submissions 043-11, 044-11 and 045-11 were deferred with the following comment:

ISAF to consult MNA's with existing Yacht Training Programmes in order to gather criteria for use in accreditation inspections for ISAF Recognized Training status. These details will be presented as a final draft for ratification at the ISAF Midyear meeting in 2012.

## 2. Feedback from Development Symposium

ISAF hosted a Development Symposium on 17 and 18 March 2012 in Dublin, Ireland at which 13 MNA delegations attended (Ireland, France, Spain, Turkey, New Zealand, Russia, Korea, Netherlands, U.A.E, Poland, Iceland, Seychelles and South Africa).

The ISAF Development Symposium formulated the following proposal to be approved by Council:

- (a) the existing MNA 'Recognized Training' Accreditation Inspection guidelines for Dinghy, Keelboat, Multihull and Windsurfing are also fit for the purpose of inspection of National Yacht Training Programmes, incorporating:
  - (i) good practice and safety should be the focus of the Inspection and not the Levels and number certificates of participants that have been achieved nationally.
  - (ii) based on feedback from those MNAs that have experienced Inspection visits so far it is reccommnended that two ISAF Inspectors should be used for the purpose of Inspection during all 'Recognized Training' visits, helping to provide an 'instant' outcome decision moderated by both inspectors at the end of each visit.
  - (iii) it is requested also that the Inspection visit should be shorter (currently set at maximum of 5 days) and focus more on National MNA Sail Training Programme Structures and not on 'practical facility' visits in order to reduce financial impact on MNA. The example of the International Tennis Federation (ITF) was given as they too had made this decision based on consultation with their members for a similar programme.