IMPLEMENTATION & RECORDING OF COMMITTEE COUNCIL MINUTE 12(D)(VI) DECISIONS

Item: 11(d)(ii)

Constitution Committee Recommendation

Delete the existing Regulation 1.5.2 and insert a new regulation 1.5.2, 1.5.3 and 1.5.4 as follows:

- 1.5.2 Regulations approved by Council without changes to the text as recommended to the Council by the Constitution Committee shall be effective on the date of approval unless a later date is stated in Council's decision.
- 1.5.3 In the event that Council's decision changes the text as recommended to the Council by the Constitution Committee, the Regulation shall not be effective until such text shall have been resubmitted to the Constitution Committee for its recommendation and is approved by Council at its next meeting. The effective date of the approved text shall be as stated in Regulation 1.5.2 above.
- Where appropriate, the chairman of the Constitution Committee may certify that the 1.5.4 changes to the text have been approved either
 - (a) where there is sufficient time to do so, by the members of the Constitution Committee after discussion by email or other electronic means: or
 - where a change is proposed at a Council Meeting, by those members present at (b) that meeting."

Note: The wording detailed under 1.5.4 is in addition to what was recommended in November 2005.

Current Position:

1.5.2 Regulations approved and passed by Council are effective on the date of approval, unless otherwise stated in the decision.

Reason:

The regulations are a long and complicated set of legislative provisions and it is important that any changes should both be consistent with the whole of the existing provisions and should be in language that will be clear and will mean what it is intended to mean. One of the principle duties of the Constitution Committee is to review the Regulations and any submissions relating to them. It is sensible for the Constitution Committee to check all regulations before they become effective.

This proposal will allow immediate approval of amendments proposed in Council provided the wording proposed is acceptable to the members of the Committee present at the Council Meeting and will also allow approval by email of submissions involving a change of regulation if the Committee is not scheduled to meet before the submission is to be considered. Indeed this submission will be circulated to the members of the Committee for that approval.

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