

**Election of President / Nomination as Vice President**

Article 71

A submission from the Yacht Club Uruguayo

**Proposal:**

Amend existing Article 71 to be 71(a), and insert a new Article 71(b) as follows:

71. **(a)** No person shall be eligible for nomination as a candidate for the office of President if he had held that office for the immediate preceding continuous period of eight years, nor for the office of Vice-President if he has held that office for the immediate preceding continuous period of eight years. If more than two Vice-Presidents would thereby become ineligible, this provision shall affect those two Vice-Presidents having the longest period of continuous service; if two or more have equal seniority, then in the absence of agreement between them, all of those having equal seniority shall be eligible for nomination, and a vote of the General Assembly shall be taken before the votes for Vice-President to determine which of them shall stand for election to Vice-President.
- (b)** **Where an eligible person is nominated as a candidate for President and he is not elected to that office, his nomination shall be treated as nomination for Vice-President unless he is ineligible for that office or if he informs the Secretary General at any time up to the commencement of the election for Vice-Presidents that he does not wish to stand for election as Vice-President.**

**Current Position:**

At present a candidate for President of ISAF who fails to get elected cannot be elected to the office of Vice President.

**Reason:**

Individuals who are nominated to stand for election to the office of President of ISAF have usually made a significant contribution to ISAF and the sport of sailing over many years. In the event a candidate for President of ISAF fails to get elected the General Assembly should be given the opportunity to elect that individual to the office of Vice-President of ISAF.