ISAF Constitution

Submission: **002-15**

Article 75 – Election Committee

A submission from the Executive Committee

Purpose or Objective

To provide that the body that elects the ISAF officers is responsible for appointing the body that supervises the elections.

Proposal

Delete Article 75 of the Constitution and replace as follows:

The Election Committee shall be appointed by the Annual General Meeting at its meeting in the year prior to the next ordinary meeting of the General Assembly and on the nomination of the Executive Committee. The Election Committee shall have not more than five members.

Current Position

As above.

Reason

- One of the recent good governance recommendations from the Association of Summer Olympic International Federations is that electing bodies should either have direct supervision of elections or appoint the body that does so. This ensures that decisions concerning the election are either taken by the electing body or a body which it has appointed.
- 2. Under the current system, Council appoints the Election Committee not the General Assembly. The Election Committee has authority over the conduct of elections and the qualification of candidates. Therefore it is considered appropriate that the Election Committee should be nominated by the Executive Committee and appointed by the full members via the AGM in the year prior to the election.
- 3. The appointment of the Committee must be moved earlier to accommodate the fact that Council no longer meets in May each year. This move also assists the Secretariat in the preparations for the elections.
- 4. This change would come into effect after the appointment of the Committee by Council for the 2016 elections.