**Decision Making Procedure at Council**

Regulation 3 – Council Rules of Procedure

A submission from the Russian Yachting Federation

**Purpose or Objective**

To reach the consensus in issues which need debate including all submissions.

**Proposal**

The Executive Committee at its regular meeting 2 months before the ISAF Annual Conference discusses all relevant issues to be included on the Council agenda. If there are any issues that possibly conflict with the ISAF Constitution and/or Regulations, the Executive Committee charge the Constitution Committee to study the issue and produce a statement. Such statements, together with relevant reasons and findings should be circulated to all Council members in advance of the Council meeting. This will enable a free and fair discussion later, at the Council.

**Current Position**

There is no such procedure

**Reasons**

1. To avoid the situation we had at the November 2011 Council Meeting with Submission 052-11. No debate was allowed based on the findings of the Constitutional Committee produced to the Council members at the meeting at the very last moment.

2. To inform Council members well in advance with justified conclusions and findings of the Constitution Committee with regard to matters that are possibly conflicting with the existing ISAF Constitution and Regulations.

3. Generally, to reach better understanding between the Executive Committee and Council members in making principle decisions.

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**2012 NOVEMBER CONFERENCE**

**COUNCIL DECISION – NOVEMBER 2012**

Council received submission 085-12 from Russian Yachting Federation
Decision

On a proposal from John Crebbin, seconded by Kurt Lonnqvist, Council deferred submission 007-12 to November 2013 (7 reject, 0 abstain, 32 approve – 39 participated).

Recommendation from the Reporting Committee

Executive Committee

Recommendation to Council: Reject

This is setting up further processes and the Executive Committee is already able to do as what is proposed in the submission and notes the concerns expressed.

Opinion from the Other Committees

Constitution Committee

Opinion: Defer

The Constitution Committee is sympathetic to this matter and recommends a review of the procedures to the New Executive.

ISAF Classes Committee

Opinion: Approve with the following amendment

Issues should also be circulated to Committees as well as Council