

### **ISAF Athletes' Commission - Terms of Reference**

New Regulation 45.6 and 45.7

A submission from the Executive Committee

#### **Proposal:**

To add in the terms of reference of the ISAF Athletes' Commission, new item 45.6:

**45.6     The Athletes' Commission shall be responsible to the Executive Committee.**

**45.7     The Athletes' Commission shall:**

- (a) Be a non-political consultative body to offer advice and assistance to ISAF on matters and issues of relevance to athletes and act as a link between the Olympic sailors and ISAF.**
- (b) Present the athletes' points of view to the ISAF Executive Committee through recommendations/proposals.**
- (c) Promote respect of the rights of the athletes within the sport and draw up recommendations to that effect.**
- (d) Promote high standards of sportsmanship and ethical performance when competing/participating.**
- (e) Reflect the views of athletes competing/participating at the highest level and establish relationships to promote feedback to ISAF on matters concerning elite athletes.**
- (f) Establish a working group responsible for liaison with ISAF for ISAF Events to help ISAF respond to the needs of the athletes.**

#### **Current Position:**

There are currently no ISAF Athletes' Commission terms of reference included in the Regulations.

#### **Reason:**

The Executive Committee approved the terms of reference for the ISAF Athletes' Commission in February 2007, and the submission is to implement the decision.

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### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – FEBRUARY 2008**

The Executive Committee recommends amending the Athletes' Commission Terms of Reference as follows:

**45.6     The Athletes' Commission shall be responsible to the Executive Committee.**

**45.7     The Athletes' Commission shall:**

- (a) be a non-political consultative body to offer advice and assistance to ISAF on matters and issues of relevance to athletes and act as a link between the Olympic ~~sailors~~ **athletes** and ISAF;**

- (b) present the **Olympic** athletes' points of view to the ~~ISAF~~ Executive Committee through recommendations **and** proposals;
- (c) promote respect of the rights of the athletes within the sport and draw up recommendations to that effect;
- (d) promote high standards of sportsmanship and ethical performance when competing and participating;
- (e) reflect the views of **the Olympic** athletes competing **and** participating at the highest level and establish relationships to promote feedback to **the Executive Committee** ~~ISAF~~ on matters concerning ~~elite~~ **Olympic** athletes; and
- (f) establish a working group responsible for liaison with **the Executive Committee** ~~ISAF~~ for ISAF Events to help ISAF respond to the needs of the **Olympic** athletes.

## **2007 NOVEMBER CONFERENCE**

### **COUNCIL DECISION – NOVEMBER 2007**

Council received Submission 041-07 from the Executive Committee.

The recommendation from the Executive Committee was noted.

#### **Decision**

**Council deferred Submission 041-07 to the 2008 ISAF Mid-Year Meeting to be further considered by the Committee Terms of Reference working party. (36 in favour, 0 against, 0 abstain)**

## **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AND OPINIONS – NOVEMBER 2007**

### **Executive Committee Recommendation**

The Executive Committee considered submission 014-07 about ISAF Athletes' Commission – Terms of Reference.

#### **Recommendation: Defer**

The Executive voted to defer submission 041-07 to the Terms of Reference working party.

### **Constitution Committee Recommendation**

The Constitution Committee considered submission 041-07 from the Executive Committee about ISAF Athletes' Commission – Terms of Reference.

#### **Recommendation: No Recommendation**

The Constitution Committee supports the Executive Committee recommendation to defer. If Council does not defer this submission, further drafting is required.