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To: Henry Thorpe, ISAF Secretariat
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Proposal:
To adopt the J/111 class as an ISAF recognized class.

Reason:
The J/111 One Design (36’) was designed by R. Alan Johnstone of J Boats, Inc. and first launched in August of 2010 in the United States. As of July 28, 2012, over 70 boats have been sold, built and delivered globally, with two active builders -CCF Composite of Bristol, Rhode Island and J Composites of Les Sables d’Olonnes, France. The J/111 design is distinguished by its high level of performance and ease of operation, combined with a deck plan and interior layout that encourages recreational family sailing.

To date, the design has distinguished itself on the race course in the USA, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, UK, France, Sweden and Netherlands. The first class events took place in the USA in 2011. In 2012, there were J/111 class starts at Spi Ouest (France), Chicago-Mac Race (USA), Harbor Springs Regatta (USA), J-Cup (J-UK) and Rolex New York Yacht Club Race Week (USA).

A technical committee was organized in mid-2011 for the purpose of synthesizing owner and builder input into the form of Class Rules. The Technical Committee is comprised of Jeff Johnstone, Rod Johnstone and David Irish. The class is presently managed by J Boats with a plan to transition to the class executive board (with J Boats assist) upon formal adoption of the Constitution.

ISAF Regulation 10.2.1
(a) Active Class / Owner Association
The J/111 Class has an interim management team formed by J Boats. The team is tasked with forming/developing the owner association with elected class officers taking place in September 2012.
(b) Class Constitution (Draft Format)
The J/111 Class has been managed from its initial conception by the builder with increasing representation from the owners. The J/111 Class Association will be adopting a formal constitution that is in preparation with the aid of the ISAF secretariat.
Class Rules have been prepared by the Technical Committee in the ISAF Standard Class Rules format with the kind assistance of the ISAF Technical department.

Requisite Distribution

The J/111 exceeds the required distribution requirements of more than 6 boats in 3 countries in 2 continents with four qualifying countries USA (11), UK (6), France (6), and Canada (5 with a 6th on order). The class is still in its early growth phase with boats actively racing in further countries including Germany, Sweden, Netherlands, Belgium, Italy, Switzerland, Colombia, Peru, New Zealand, Australia and Hong Kong.

For more information on the J/111 please visit www.jboats.com/j111/

Respectfully submitted,

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