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I. AIMS AND COMPOSITION OF THE FEDERATION

1. LEGAL STATUS AND NAME

1.1. The International SAMBO Federation ("*Fédération Internationale de SAMBO (FIAS)*") is a nongovernmental, non-profit organization which is governed by this Statute as well as by Article 60 ff. of the Swiss Civil Code. The FIAS is neutral in respect of politics and embraces the principles of non-discrimination of beliefs, religions, races and sexes. FIAS is the only organization in the world performing management on the development of sambo worldwide and establishing rules and regulating an order of carrying out of competitions on sambo.

1.2. The predecessor of the aforesaid organisation, The International Amateur SAMBO Federation ("*Fédération Internationale Amateur de SAMBO (FIAS)*") was constituted on the 13th of June, 1984 in Madrid (Spain).

1.3. FIAS is composed of National SAMBO Federations, representing SAMBO sport in their respective countries and officially recognized by the National Olympic Committee (NOC) and/or the highest Sports authorities of the corresponding country (in the absence of such bodies state registration is sufficient).

1.4. The duration of the International Sambo Federation (FIAS) is not limited.

2. AIMS

The aims of FIAS are as follows:

2.1. Promote and develop the sport of SAMBO around the world. To this end, FIAS shall organise cooperation with all official organizations and individuals, conducting activities related to the aforesaid aims, at the technical as well as at the administrative and financial levels.

2.2. Stimulate relations and bonds of friendship and support the peaceful coexistence between affiliated National SAMBO Federations while respecting and protecting their interests.

2.3. Establish and promote the international SAMBO regulations adopted by FIAS.

2.4. Regulate SAMBO, as practiced by all its affiliated federations or associations, and ensure that SAMBO regulations are adhered to during any and all competitions as part of World championships, World Cups, as well as Continental competitions and International events which are held under FIAS control.

2.5. Select, train, improve and oversee the activities of judges and referees, as well as that of technical and administrative personnel.

2.6. Represent SAMBO and defend its interests at the levels of the National Olympic Committees, the international Olympic Committee and the other international sports organizations.

2.7. Take an impartial decision in case of dispute or differences of opinion occurring between affiliated National SAMBO Federations in relation to the practice of SAMBO.

2.8. Fight against political, racial or religious discrimination in any field.

2.9. Assist National SAMBO Federations to be recognized by their National Olympic Committees and/or the highest Sports authorities of their country and seek the recognition of FIAS by the International Olympic Committee (IOC).

2.10. Respect and foster the fundamental principles of Olympics according to the Olympic Charter, the Olympic Code of Ethics and of the World Anti-Doping Code.

3. HEADQUARTERS. OFFICIAL LANGUAGES. FLAG AND EMBLEM

3.1. The Management body of the International Sambo Federation are located in Lausanne (Switzerland). Their location can be changed based on the decision of the FIAS congress.

The administrative headquarters may be transferred to another city or another country, if circumstances warrant it, upon decision by the Executive Committee ratified by the Congress.

3.2. The official languages of FIAS are English, French and Russian. In the event of any inconsistencies between the texts of the Statutes in the above languages resulting in diverging interpretations of the statutes, rules or regulations, the Russian text shall prevail.

3.3. The FIAS Flag represents the FIAS logo at the centre of a rectangle on a light-blue background with inscriptions "Международная Федерация САМБО (ФИАС)" (above the logo) and "Fédération Internationale de SAMBO (FIAS)" (under the logo).

3.4. The FIAS emblem, shows two SAMBO athletes in action, reproduced on the background of the two parts of the globe and the acronym "FIAS", encircled by a crown of laurels.

4. COMPOSITION. MEMBERSHIP

4.1. FIAS is composed of National SAMBO Federations, representing this kind of sport in their respective territories, keeping the FIAS Statute, and have satisfied the requirements specified to them.

4.2. Each country shall be represented by only one National Federation. The latter shall be recognized by the National Olympic Committee or its highest National Sports authority of the corresponding country (in the absence of such bodies state registration is sufficient).

4.3. FIAS may have honorary members. The title of "Honorary Member" may be given by the FIAS Congress upon proposal by National SAMBO Federation or the Executive Committee to a private person, company, association or other public organization, making a particular contribution to the sport of SAMBO, having rendered special services to FIAS, according to the Regulations concerning the honorary members of FIAS.

4.4. FIAS may accept the associated members (organizations or physical persons), which render the practical help for SAMBO promotion. The associated members have the right to be elected by the FIAS Congress upon the recommendation of the respective National SAMBO Federation or FIAS Executive Committee.

5. CONTINENTAL SAMBO FEDERATIONS

5.1. National SAMBO Federations, affiliated to FIAS and representing the countries of the same continent, have the right to establish their own Continental Federations. They have powers to enact and adopt local legal regulations which are binding upon the members of continental federation and which do not contradict with the Statute and FIAS decisions, and create their own structures and governing bodies responsible for the development of SAMBO on their continent.

5.2. The Presidents of Continental Federations shall be members of the Executive Committee of FIAS as Vice-Presidents.

5.3. Continental SAMBO Federations shall have the following rights:

- a) to organize its own continental competitions for different age categories in conformity with rules of FIAS;
- b) to procure the funds necessary to fulfil their duties;
- c) admit in the membership of the sambo continental federation national federations created on this continent (but not more than one per country). After admission to the sambo continental federation the national federation receives a document on the temporary membership in the FIAS for 1 (one) year.

5.4. Continental SAMBO Federations shall have the following obligations:

- a) to comply with and enforce compliance with the provisions of the Statute, regulations and decisions of FIAS;
- b) to organize close cooperation with FIAS towards the objectives contained in Article 2 hereof;
- c) to cooperate with FIAS in order to organize international competitions in accordance with FIAS;
- d) to organize close and constructive cooperation with FIAS for the purposes of SAMBO;
- e) upon request of and after agreement with FIAS to take any action necessary to develop SAMBO across their continent: in particular, to develop SAMBO support programs, hold workshops, organize classes and conferences across the corresponding country;

6. MEMBERSHIP IN THE FEDERATION INTERNATIONALE DE SAMBO (FIAS)

6.1. National SAMBO Federations formed according to the requirements of the corresponding Statute may apply for FIAS membership, providing that:

- an application is completed in writing and duly signed by the President and General Secretary of the corresponding National Federation;
- the corresponding National SAMBO Federation possesses or is seeking for an official attestation issued by the National Olympic Committee or the highest Sports authority of its country (in the absence of such bodies state registration is sufficient);
- the FIAS Affiliation form is duly completed;
- the corresponding National SAMBO Federation states, in writing, its intention to abide by the FIAS Statute and Regulations;
- the corresponding National SAMBO Federation agrees to pay the dues, as determined by the FIAS financial regulations;
- the corresponding National Federation has gained support from Continental SAMBO Federation and is its member.

6.2. The submitted documents are examined by the Executive Committee of the continental federation and after approval they are recommended to the executive committee of FIAS which will then forward them to the FIAS Congress for approval, the only body empowered to grant FIAS membership.

However, if several federations in the same country practice SAMBO, as governed by FIAS, only one may become member of FIAS.

6.3. In the event that the federation wishing to become a member of FIAS is not recognized by the National Olympic Committee or the highest Sports authority of its country, the Executive Committee of FIAS reserves the right to decide and raise the issue to be included to the agenda of the Congress.

6.4. Full members of FIAS have the right to attend and speak at all Congress meetings, run for the relevant positions, and vote on all questions presented.

6.5. National SAMBO Federations' Presidents represent the interests of their respective national federations at FIAS.

6.6. The Members of FIAS are entitled to secede from FIAS at the end of a calendar year or any other period stipulated in the Statute by submitting a written notice to the Executive Committee no later than 6 months before the date of secession from FIAS.

7. FINANCES

7.1. The FIAS budget is formed by various dues, that is:

- a) FIAS membership entry fee;
- b) Annual FIAS membership fee;
- c) Various compensation payments and donations;
- d) Gains from selling rights to coverage of sporting events, organized by FIAS through events video and/or audio broadcasting by any means and/or any kind of technology, as well as through recordings of this broadcast, and/or the shooting of events, as well as from advertising;
- e) Permits for the right to organize championships and international tournaments;
- f) Various license fees;
- g) Events participation registration fee;
- h) Penalties;
- i) Investments, other funds and gains;
- j) Gifts and bequests;
- k) Fees for the right to various benefits;
- l) Fees for permission to use the attributes of the FIAS for advertising;
- m) Profit from possible investments, resources and shares, etc.

7.2. The annual FIAS membership fee amount is determined at one of the annual meetings of FIAS Congresses.

7.3. Except in case of flagrant error, the various dues, taxes, fees, fines and charges become the property of FIAS and shall not be reimbursed under any circumstances.

7.4. FIAS is exclusively responsible for the fulfilment of its liabilities. These liabilities are guaranteed exclusively by the assets of FIAS.

7.5. The financial means of FIAS shall be used in accordance with the abovementioned purposes.

8. *SECESSION FROM THE FEDERATION INTERNATIONALE DE SAMBO (FIAS)*

8.1. FIAS membership may be cancelled under the following circumstances:

- Upon dissolution or death (in case of individual membership);
- Upon secession from FIAS;
- Upon resignation (in cases of individual membership);
- Upon cessation of SAMBO activity;
- Upon expulsion from membership of FIAS by the decision of the Executive Committee as a disciplinary measure for material reasons;
- Upon contravening regulations of the Statute, concerning payment of FIAS dues and fees provided for the FIAS members, or the regulations of becoming a FIAS member;
- Upon absence of activity related to the development of SAMBO;
- Upon pursuing purposes contradicting the FIAS Statute;
- Upon violation of the Statute and Regulations of FIAS;
- Upon refusal to comply with the FIAS decisions;
- In case cancellation of documents providing the recognition of the member FIAS by the Olympic Committee or the highest Sports authority of its country (or in case of annulment of the state registration).

8.2. The decision to annul the rights of a FIAS member is taken by the Executive Committee.

8.3. The decision on expulsion from the membership of FIAS may only be taken by the Congress upon request of the Executive Committee. The Congress takes decision by a majority of not less than two-thirds of the votes present or represented at the Congress meeting.

9. *PARTICIPATION IN COMPETITIONS*

Only high level athletes, recommended by National SAMBO Federation are permitted to participate in international competitions.

10. *DOPING*

10.1. The use of any substance designed to artificially increase the performance of an athlete is strictly forbidden. The provisions of the FIAS Anti-doping regulations, the World Anti-Doping Agency regulations and the World Anti-Doping Code shall apply.

10.2. At events taking place under the jurisdiction of FIAS participants, officers and officials shall not oppose Doping control testing.

10.3. The decision, concerning sanctions in relation to athletes, officials, federations, that violated the Anti-doping requirements shall be taken in accordance with the FIAS Anti-doping regulations, the World Anti-doping Code (WADC) and the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) regulations.

II. THE CONGRESS

11. *COMPOSITION OF THE CONGRESS*

Congress is the major governing body of FIAS which is mainly responsible for dealing with the important questions concerning the development and promotion of SAMBO, the election of the members of the Executive Committee, the President and the Control and Revision Committee. It is composed of representatives from each of the affiliated National SAMBO Federations, members of FIAS, of the Executive Committee and members of the Control and Revision Commission.

Each National SAMBO Federation may send to the Congress a maximum of 3 representatives, but each National Federation has the right to only one vote.

12. VOTING PROCEDURE

Every National Federation has the right to one vote, to be executed by a duly appointed representative of the respective National SAMBO Federation.

Any National SAMBO Federation unable to participate at the Congress shall have the right to be represented by delegating its vote to a member of the Executive Committee or to another National Federation participating at the Congress. One member of the Executive Committee and every National SAMBO Federation have the right to represent at the Congress not more than one FIAS member that is unable to participate in the Congress. National Federation or the FIAS member represent the absent National Federation under the duly executed Power of Attorney, authorising them to vote on the approved agenda,

No FIAS member is allowed to vote on motions concerning any transaction or legal proceedings between FIAS.

13. CONGRESS MEETINGS

13.1. The FIAS Congress meetings shall be held annually. In the year when the World Championship takes place the FIAS Congress shall take place on the day, preceding the World Championship (Sports and combat SAMBO among Adults). Congress shall be presided by the President or in his absence by the Secretary General. Election meetings shall be presided by the Secretary General.

13.2. Before the opening of the Congress meeting the representatives of National SAMBO Federations shall present their credentials to the members of Credentials Committee designated by the Executive Committee for that Congress meeting in particular. The credentials must be duly signed and bearing the official seal of their National SAMBO Federation. Only persons duly legitimated by formally correct credentials shall be admitted to the Congress.

13.3. The Congress deliberates on all questions included in the agenda, as confirmed by the Executive Committee and sent by the Executive Committee to all National SAMBO Federations, Associated and Honorary members of FIAS together with the invitation to the Congress meeting no later than one month prior to the date of the correspondent Congress meeting. During the Congress meeting, if requested by more than one fifth of the representatives from all the affiliated National SAMBO Federations having the right to vote, additional questions may be included in the agenda subject to the fulfilment of the conditions of Article 13 of the present Statute..

13.4. Issues which affiliated National SAMBO Federations wish to have included in the agenda shall be submitted to the Executive Committee for consideration no later than 40 days before the date of the Congress meeting. The issues received by the Executive Committee after the abovementioned deadline are disregarded save for the occasions provided for in Article 13.3 of the present Statute.

13.5. Urgent questions proposed by the Executive Committee and requiring consideration by National Federations shall be sent to them one month before the date of the Congress meeting.

13.6. The Minutes of the session of the Congress, signed by the Secretary General and the President, shall be sent to the affiliated National SAMBO Federations within one month after the Congress session.

14. VALIDITY OF DECISIONS

14.1. Unless the Statute provides otherwise all decisions of the Congress are taken upon obtaining the majority of votes. However, for decisions to take effect the Congress must be attended by at least 50% of affiliated National SAMBO Federations having the right to vote.

14.2. In case the Congress is attended by less than 50% of affiliated National SAMBO Federations the Executive Committee shall convene the Congress for a later date but no earlier than in a month and no later than in a year. Decisions, taken at postponed meetings shall be considered as valid if there were present not less than 30% of national sambo federations affiliated to FIAS.

14.3. Decision on the dissolution of FIAS can only be valid if taken by the majority of not less than two thirds of FIAS members attending or represented at the respective Congress meeting, including the authorised persons, having duly executed Power of Attorneys and the right to vote on the issue of FIAS dissolution.

14.4. Decisions on the following matters require the simple majority of the votes of the FIAS members present at the Congress meeting:

- Adoption and amendment of the FIAS Statute;

- Admitting a member to FIAS;
- Approval of the SAMBO regulations;
- decisions on reclamations against the Executive Committee or another corporate body of FIAS.

14.5. In case of equal number of votes the voting result shall be considered invalid.

15. RIGHTS AND ROLE OF THE CONGRESS

The Congress is the supreme governing body of FIAS. It convenes to debate important questions concerning the development of SAMBO and to elect FIAS officers.

The Congress is vested with the following powers to:

- Approve the FIAS program and Calendar of Events;
- Elect the President, the General Secretary, the members of the Executive Committee and those of the Control and Revision Commission and of any other body of FIAS, as well as to revoke their status at any time;
- Supervise the activities of the Executive Committee, the Control and Revision Commission and of any other body of FIAS;
- Approve the reports presented by the President, General Secretary, Treasurer, the Control and Revision Commission, and other persons and bodies;
- Approve requests for membership and expulse from the memberships of FIAS members and associated members;
- Approve the audited balance sheet and the profit and loss statement;
- Ratify internal regulations;
- Examine and approve the decisions made by the Executive Committee and the President;
- Resolve all questions and proposals of general interest submitted by National SAMBO Federations concerning the development of SAMBO, as defined by the present Statute and decisions;
- Examine and approve candidates for official FIAS competitions (World Championships, World Cups (countries), World Cups (Clubs));
- Adopt and amend the FIAS Statute;
- Determine fees and other sources of payments to the budget of FIAS;
- Deliberate and approve the budget;
- Appoint Honorary members (Honorary member of FIAS, Honorary member of the Executive Committee, Honorary Vice-President of FIAS and Honorary President of FIAS);
- Approve the SAMBO and other regulations, specifying activity of FIAS;
- Decide on all questions submitted by the Executive Committee to the Congress for consideration;
- Decide on the dissolution of FIAS;
- Decide on any reclamation concerning the activities and decisions of the President, Secretary General, Executive Committee, as well as of any other FIAS body;
- Decide on any matter which is not explicitly reserved to another FIAS body by the Statute;
- Appoint the Auditors.

16. EXTRAORDINARY CONGRESS MEETINGS

Extraordinary Congress meetings may be called if it is done in writing and signed by at least one third of the affiliated National SAMBO Federations. These requests, duly motivated, shall be addressed to all members of the FIAS Executive Committee. The response to this requirement shall be given within one month after receipt by the President.

An Extraordinary Congress shall, be held in the territory proposed by the Executive Committee of FIAS.

III. ADMINISTRATION AND OPERATION OF FIAS

17. COMPOSITION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

17.1. The quantitative composition of Executive Committee shall be determined by the Congress. Members of the Executive Committee shall be elected by the Congress.

17.2. The Executive Committee shall include: the President, the General Secretary, the First Vice-Presidents, Vice-Presidents, the Treasurer and other members of the Executive Committee.

17.3. No more than two representatives of the same country shall be part of the Executive Committee. The FIAS President, the General Secretary, the Vice-Presidents shall be considered above the Quota.

18. ELIGIBILITY FOR ELECTION TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

18.1. The President of a National SAMBO Federation as well as any person who has submitted written recommendations issued by his National Federation are eligible to be elected to the Executive Committee.

19. DURATION OF MANDATE

19.1. The duration of the mandate for elected members of the Executive Committee is four years.

19.2. To any vacancy within the Executive Committee, due to resignation of one or another member, shall be occupied by new members of the Executive Committee elected at the next Congress meeting.

19.3. The term of newly elected members shall end on the expiration date of the replaced members' mandate.

19.4. Any member of the Executive Committee who fails to attend three consecutive meetings, for no valid reason shall be considered as resigned of the Executive Committee and shall be replaced.

19.5. All members of the Executive Committee are eligible.

20. STRUCTURE, POWERS AND OPERATION

20.1. The Executive Committee is responsible for managing the ongoing activities of FIAS.

20.2. The Executive Committee of FIAS is composed of:

- the FIAS President;
- the General Secretary;
- the FIAS First Vice-Presidents;
- the Vice-Presidents;
- the Treasurer;
- other members of the Executive Committee.

One and the same member of the Executive Committee can cumulatively exercise several of the above mentioned functions.

20.3. The Executive Committee authorizes its respective members to sign documents on behalf of FIAS (the right of sole signature or joint signature is granted).

20.4. The Executive Committee is endowed with all the powers necessary for the financial and technical administration of FIAS. The Executive Committee manages the activities of FIAS. It has in particular the duties to:

- a) Manage the funds of FIAS;
- b) Prepare all matters on which the Congress has to take a decision, and present them to the Congress;
- c) Implement the decisions of the Congress;
- d) Take all measures which are appropriate to pursue and attain the Aims of FIAS;

- e) Instruct and supervise the President, the General Secretary, the Treasurer and the Control and Revision and other Commissions, and ensure that they duly perform their duties according to the law and the Statute;
- f) Ensure due compliance with the Statute and SAMBO and FIAS regulations;
- g) Prepare regulations and amendments (if required) to the Statute and to the SAMBO and FIAS regulations;
- h) Receipt of applications to participate in the Congress sessions;
- i) Submission to the Congress of information on the admission in the FIAS membership and on those leaving FIAS in accordance with Article 8.1 of the present Statute;
- j) Appointment of members of the Credentials Committee in accordance with Article 13.2 of the present Statute;
- k) Submission to the Congress of FIAS of budget projects and reports on the financial activities of the FIAS for the past period

20.5. The Executive Committee meetings shall meet when called by the President or if requested by one third of its members. The meetings of the Executive Committee shall be held under chairmanship of the President or upon his request shall be presided by the General Secretary. In any case, it shall meet at least twice a year.

20.6. For deliberations to be valid, a majority of fifty percent plus one of the members of the Executive Committee must be present.

20.7. Should any Committee meeting be attended by less than fifty percent plus one of the members of the Executive Committee, the President (as the case may be) on the request of one third of its members shall convene a new meeting to be held at a later date.

20.8. In case of external circumstances outside its control and caused by an international situation, when it is difficult if not impossible to apply the Statute (such as war, epidemic, Governmental decisions or position, etc.) the Executive Committee shall nevertheless have the right to exercise the powers at its disposal to see that the Statute is applied. The Executive Committee has the right to take an appropriate and motivated decision for the general interest of FIAS, dictated by the situation of the moment, without this decision becoming a precedent.

The Executive Committee must inform the members of the following FIAS Congress of the decision it has taken.

20.9. In case of equal number of votes on the Executive Committee meeting, the FIAS President has the casting vote.

20.10. The Minutes of the meetings of the Executive Committee shall be taken down under the supervision of the General Secretary and signed jointly by the FIAS President and General Secretary.

20.11. For an immediate solution of arising matters the Bureau of FIAS is called consisting of: the President, the General Secretary, and the Vice-Presidents and other members of the Executive Committee. These decisions will be deemed legitimate with the approval by the majority of FIAS Bureau participants of the total number of participants, given the quorum is present. The quorum shall be deemed to be the participation in the FIAS Bureau meeting of more than half of the Executive Committee members.

21. THE PRESIDENT

21.1. The President of FIAS is nominated for elections by the Executive Committee of FIAS or by group composed of not less than 5 national federations. The President is elected at the Congress session by secret ballot or by open voting (pursuant to the Congress decision), for a period of four years.

21.2. Under normal circumstances the election shall take place immediately after the presentation of the President's report on FIAS activities and results for preceding year. The candidate to the post of President shall be any well-known person in the SAMBO community. He shall have experience as a Vice-President, a General Secretary or as a leading administrative officer in a prominent sports organization which includes other kinds of sport. In the absence of such a candidate, the Executive Committee nominates any candidate of its choice.

21.3. The elections shall be valid in case of absolute majority of votes. If no candidate obtains the absolute majority of votes, additional voting shall take place for the two candidates having obtained the greatest number of votes.

21.4. The active FIAS President may be re-elected for the next term, but he shall not occupy this position for more than 3 terms consecutively.

21.5. The President is responsible for managing the everyday activities of FIAS and for the expenses of FIAS and hires administrative personnel.

21.6. The President signs jointly with the General Secretary all various documents of legal and financial responsibility.

21.7. The President represents the interests of the International Sambo Federation (FIAS) at the international level.

21.8. The President has the right:

- To propose candidates to the position of General Secretary, Vice-President and Treasurer;
- To set up different commissions or work groups and delegate them a part of his/her powers;
- To reimburse to the members of the Executive Committee and other committees incurred in connection with representing the interests of the International Sambo Federation (FIAS), as well as costs associated with the organization of missions, conducting various activities, trips and expenses of other different activities of interest to the FIAS.

All expenses incurred must be substantiated.

21.9. If, for whatever reason, the position of President becomes vacant, the Secretary General of FIAS shall fulfil the President's duties. If, for whatever reason, the Secretary General cannot take over, then the Executive Committee of FIAS shall elect, one of the Vice-Presidents as Provisional President of FIAS, and elect a new President at the next earliest Congress session.

21.10. The FIAS President may combine his FIAS presidency only with one high ranking position at any National or Continental SAMBO Federation, and no more.

22. THE GENERAL SECRETARY

22.1. The FIAS General Secretary administers FIAS and manages the administrative body of the FIAS (administration), the work of the secretariat and is responsible for records management

22.2. As part of his responsibilities, the General Secretary shall:

- To carry out control that the Statute, Minutes of the Congress meetings, Executive Committee decisions and resolutions taken are executed
- To carry out control that the financial obligations of Continental and National SAMBO Federations affiliated with FIAS are respected;
- Sign together with the President all various documents of legal and financial responsibility;
- Accept the application for membership in the FIAS;
- Register the FIAS members;
- Keep the FIAS documents;
- Provide information to the FIAS members
- Ensure that the Calendar of sports events is being followed;
- Prepare the Minutes of the Executive Committee meetings;
- Make sure that invitations to Congress sessions and Executive Committee meetings are sent out in due time;
- Record the requests for affiliation with FIAS;
- Represent the President in his absence.

22.3. The General Secretary is nominated by the Executive Committee and approved by the Congress.

23. THE TREASURER

The Treasurer provides the receipt of cash monies and transfers of payments made as dues and fees owing to FIAS. He shall be nominated by the Executive Committee and approved by the Congress.

He is responsible for:

- Duly bookkeeping and preparing the annual financial statements of FIAS;
- Preparing the annual budget of FIAS and submitting it for approval to the Executive Committee and the Congress;
- Submitting the annual financial report to the Congress for consideration;
- Submitting to the Executive Committee an account of the financial responsibilities of FIAS members;
- Preparing the financial statement of FIAS.

24. COMMISSIONS

24.1. Commissions are secondary bodies of FIAS responsible for carrying out the tasks assigned to them by the Executive Committee or the President of FIAS.

24.2. Commissions consist of a fixed number of members (which must include a Chairman and a Secretary), depending on their nature and their mission, as defined by in internal regulation determined by the Executive Committee and specifying their competence and responsibilities.

24.3. The Executive Committee nominates chairmen of commissions.

24.4. National SAMBO Federations propose candidates to the members of commissions.

24.5. Chairmen of commissions propose candidate members to the Executive Committee for approval.

24.6. The FIAS commissions are as follows:

- Sport Technique commission (it is composed of judges and coaches commissions);;
- FIAS Statute commission;
- SAMBO development commission;
- Commission on feminine competition matters;
- Combat SAMBO commission;
- University SAMBO development commission;
- Army and Police commission;
- Medical commission;
- SAMBO veterans commission;
- School children commission;
- Press commission;
- Commerce and Finance Commission;
- Disciplinary commission;
- Control and Revision commission;
- Ethics commission;
- Mandate commission (formed before each Congress).

IV. CONTROL AND REVISION COMMISSION

24.7. The Control and Revision Commission is composed of three FIAS members are unassigned to the governing bodies of FIAS.

24.8. The members of the Control and Revision Commission are nominated by the Executive Committee and approved by the Congress for a term of four years.

24.9. The Control and Revision commission is responsible for:

- Auditing the financial statements of FIAS by examining if the bookkeeping and the financial accounts of FIAS comply with the law and the Statute.

- Checking whether the FIAS Statute is adhered to, whether the decisions of the Congress are being followed, and monitoring the financial activities of the Executive Committee.

24.10. The revision and audit shall be carried out at least once a year and a report presented to the Congress.

24.11. The conclusions reached by the Control and Revision commission and confirmed by the Congress must be implemented.

V. REGULATIONS ON INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

25. GENERAL PRINCIPLES. COMPOSITION

25.1. National SAMBO Federations (as well as their associated sports committees) may only participate in events organized by federations affiliated with FIAS.

25.2. All SAMBO international competitions, World and continental championships, are to be conducted in accordance with the FIAS regulations.

25.3. FIAS designates the representatives authorized to participate at international events. These representatives shall comply with the regulations on international events.

25.4. A participant shall not have the right to be on the team of a country participating at an international event if he is not a citizen of that country.

In exceptional cases, FIAS Executive Committee may give special permission to participate.

25.5. The invitation of every athlete (excluding those representing the host country) to participate in an event shall always be made through the National SAMBO Federation of the athlete in question.

25.6. In case of an athlete's dual citizenship, participation at international competitions shall only be valid on the basis of one nationality, chosen by him.

25.7. National SAMBO Federations are responsible for the organisation of their National SAMBO championships.

26. INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

26.1. All official international competitions must be included in the Calendar of events and approved by the FIAS Congress.

26.2. If, for a valid reason, an event is not mentioned in the Calendar of events, the organizing country must inform FIAS ahead of time. In this case, organizers must communicate the date and place of the event three months ahead to the FIAS administrative body.

26.3. Results and protocols of events shall be submitted without fail to the FIAS Secretariat no later than three days after the end of the event.

26.4. National Federations organizing international SAMBO events shall be up-to-date in their financial obligations to FIAS.

26.5. A fine will be applied to National SAMBO Federations not having paid on time the appropriate competition fees according to the applicable regulations or decisions of the Executive Committee

VI. SPECIAL PROVISIONS

27. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Federations affiliated with FIAS undertake to resolve any arising disputes within FIAS. Should there be any unresolved disputes with the assistance of the Bureau of FIAS and the Executive Committee of FIAS the resolution of disputes is forwarded to the Congress. Failure to settle the disputes within the FIAS, the applicant may apply to the relevant courts including to the sports arbitration court in Lausanne.

28. PROPERTY AND REMUNERATION

28.1. Neither affiliated federation nor their representatives shall in any way be held responsible for any FIAS commitments made in its name. The formation of the property is approved by the Congress on the proposal of the Executive Committee of FIAS.

29. INTERNAL REGULATIONS

29.1. In accordance with the present Statute and principles of FIAS operation, the Executive Committee of FIAS is authorized to generate any kind of internal regulations and relevant documentations.

29.2. Any financial, legal and other administrative documents of FIAS are valid only in case of a joint under-writing by the President and the General Secretary of the FIAS.

30. FINAL PROVISIONS

30.1. The present Statute shall remain in effect until the next FIAS Congress.

30.2. The provisions of the Statutes of the National Federations, FIAS members shall not contradict the provisions of t.

30.3. Where it is not provided for by the Statute the decision is made by the Executive Committee of FIAS.

30.4. The decisions made by FIAS, and adopted by the Continental and National Federations affiliated with FIAS may not contradict the present Statute.

31. DISSOLUTION OF FIAS

31.1. The dissolution of this organization may only be decided by a resolution made at an extraordinary meeting of the Congress. The Quorum for such a meeting shall be two-thirds of the members of FIAS attending or represented at the Congress meetings.

31.2. The decision concerning the disposition of the FIAS assets being still available at the end of the liquidation procedure shall be taken at the extraordinary session of the Congress.

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The President

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the Secretary General