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Minutes of the Extra Ordinary General Assembly of the Ju-Jitsu International Federation [JJIF] held at the Hilton Capital Grand , Abu Dhabi, UAE on 25th April 2016.

Members present:

	<u>JJIF OFFICIALS</u>	NAME & DESIGNATION	NAME & DESIGNATION
1	JJIF	Panagiotis Theodoropoulos JJIF President	
2	JJIF	Dario Quenza JJEU President	
3	JJIF	Eugene Domagata JJIF General Director	
4	JJIF	Joachim Thumfart JJIF Sport Director	
5	JJIF	Vicky Kontou Secretary to JJIF President	
-	<u>FULL MEMBERS PRESENT</u>		
1	Austria	Bernhard Graser Acting General Secretary	Alexandra Vosta Geyer Treasurer
2	Belgium	Luc Mortelmans President	
3	Bosnia and Herzegovina	Natasa Prpic General Secretary	
4	Bulgaria	Tomo Borissov President	Doriyan Avramov Advisor
5	Cameroon	Colince Tatsa Tchinda President	
6	Cyprus	Antonis Marinou President	
7	Denmark	Lisbeth Hansen President	
8	France	Philippe Merlin Director Ju-Jitsu FFJJKDA	
9	Germany	Koehler Roland President	Michael Korn Vice President
10	Greece	Anastasios Poulikidis President	
11	India	Suresh Gopi President	Ratnadiptee Shimpi EB Member
12	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	Seyed Amir Khoshbin Vice President	Mohammad Reza Nasir EB Member

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13	Iraq	Dr. Mokhles Albu- Mohammed President	Hussein Al Farttoosi General Secretary
14	Italy	Dr. Igor Lanzoni President	
15	Japan	Takamasa Watanabe President	
16	Kazakhstan	Ilya Mirzo Vice President	
17	Kuwait	Abdullah Mohammed EB Member	
18	Lebanon	Francois Dit Francois Charbel Saade President	Simon Bellen EB Member
19	Mauritius	Nuvin Proag President	
20	Mongolia	Odsurem Bolderene General Secretary	Munkhtur Batbileg Representative
21	Netherlands	Rick Frowjin Director	
22	Poland	Tomasz Knap President	Jacek Banczyk Assistatnt
23	Russian Federation	Georgiy Kukoverov Vice President	
24	Singapore	Henry Kothagoda President	Felix Fong Vice President
25	Slovenia	Robert Perc President	
26	Spain	Eusebio Sanchez Fernandez Direcror RSJF	
27	Switzerland	Gerry Tschertter Vice President	
28	Turkey	Orhan Ozakti President	Omer Faruk Turudu General Secretary
29	Turkmenistan	Ata Adayev Pressident	Layla Kuliyeve EB Member
30	United Arab Emirates	Fahad Ali Al Shamsi General Secretary	
31	Viet Nam	Ann Nguyen Huu General Secretary	Hung Nguyen Manh Vice President
-	<u>ABSENTEE FULL MEMBERS</u>		
1	Argentina		
2	Bolivia (Plurinational State of)		
3	Colombia		
4	Ethiopia		
5	Israel		

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6	Mexico		
7	Montenegro		
8	Portugal		
9	Romania		
10	Sweden		
11	Taipei, Chinese		
12	Ukraine		
13	United States of America		
14	Uruguay		
-	<u>PROVISIONAL MEMBERS PRESENT</u>		
1	Bahrain	Alkhayyat Ahmed President	Bukamal Omar General Secretary
2	Hungary	Richard Gulyas President	Istvan Muzsai Vice President
3	Jordan	Bandar Bandar Haitham Al- Sahen Representative	
4	Kyrgyzstan	Abdurahmanhaji Murtazaliev President	Nursultan Alymkulov Assistant
5	Maldives	Saeed Abdulla Representative	
6	Sri Lanka	E. S. Kithsiri De Zoysa President	
7	Tajikistan	Alijon Davlatov President	
8	Tunisia	Saanouni Makrem Senior Vice President	
-	<u>NEW CANDIDATE MEMBERS</u>		
1	Brazil	Walter Mattos President	Elias Eberhardt General Secretary
2	Republic of Korea	Lee Yeoung Soo President	Oh Jun Hyuk EB Member
3	United Kingdom of Great Britain	Gus Oliveira President	

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-	OBSERVERS		
1	OCA	Dr. Jaffer Al Muthafer OCA Representative	
2	Korea	Daesung Moon IOC member	Chae Inmuk Eb Member
3	Korea	Jang Soon Ho Observer	Solim Kim Observer
4	Viet Nam	Quan Phan Trong Vice General Secretary	
		TOTAL JJIF FULL MEMBERS	45
		PRESENT FULL MEMBERS	31

1. *Nomination of the Chairman and the Convener for the EOGA*

Mr. Panagiotis Theodoropoulos, the JJIF President, was unanimously voted by the members present as the Chairman of the Extra Ordinary General Assembly [EOGA]
Mr. Suresh Gopi, President of Ju-Jitsu Association of India and Legal advisor to the JJIF was nominated as the Convener of the EOGA

2. *Roll Call and determination of Quorum*

Mr. Suresh Gopi welcomed all members present at the EOGA and after verification of the signed attendance list / Roll call , he declared that the Quorum of Full members of the JJIF with the right to vote was more than adequate to continue with the proceedings of the Extra Ordinary General Assembly.

3. *Adoption of the Agenda*

The Agenda of the EOGA as proposed was presented and was approved and adopted by the majority of the members present. There was one abstention (Mr. Luc Mortelmans - Belgian Ju- Jitsu Federation)

4. *Welcome speech by the JJIF President*

The JJIF President addressed the EOGA and welcomed all members present. He thanked H.E. Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahayan, Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi for his patronage valued support & guidance for Ju Jitsu and the Host City of Abu Dhabi and the President and Executive Board members of the JJAU for their kind hosting of the EOGA. He also expressed his appreciation and gratitude to H.E. Sheikh

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Ahmad Fahad Al Sabah, President of OCA & President of ANOC for the valuable help and support offered to Ju-Jitsu.

The President then declared that this is a historical moment as the JJIF is moving fast towards IOC Recognition.

Before proceeding with the items on the Agenda, the JJIF President sought the approval of the Assembly to add two more points to the Agenda, as under:

- Presentation by the Polish Ju-Jitsu Federation, highlighting the forthcoming the 2016 JJIF World Championship, to be held in Wroclaw, Poland
- Honoring Mr. Roel van Ravens, Referee Director of Europe for the valued services to Ju-Jitsu rendered by him.

The Members approved the request of the JJIF President and he then invited Mr. Tomasz Knap, the President of the Polish Ju-Jitsu Federation to initiate the presentation.

Mr. Knap presented posters made by the Polish Ju-Jitsu Federation and asked the members present to express their opinion about the same by email to the Polish Ju-Jitsu Federation. He also presented the official logo and the Portfolio advertising the event. Thereafter, the President of the Polish Ju-Jitsu Federation handed over the Championship hosting contract to the JJIF President, who then signed the same sanctioning the conducting of the 2016 World Championship at Wroclaw, Poland.

The JJIF President then invited Mr. Roel van Ravens to the podium thanking him for the decades of valuable service rendered by him for Ju-Jitsu. The President then awarded Mr. Ravens with the JJIF Certificate of Honorable Membership.

The JJIF President then directed the Convener Mr. Suresh Gopi to take up items as listed on the EOGA Agenda.

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4. Report by the Presidents of the JJIF Continental Unions

The Convener then requested the Presidents of the JJIF Continental Unions, to present their Reports.

EUROPE:

The President of the Ju-Jitsu European Union [JJEU], Mr. Dario Quenza commenced his report highlighting the activities of JJEU during 2015-16. He also informed the members that new JJEU Statutes, harmonized with the JJIF Statutes was approved during JJEU Congress in Madrid and that in June 2016, the JJEU will have its Electoral Assembly under the new Statutes and that notification has already been sent to the JJEU members with the necessary documents in order to present their candidature.

Mr. Dario Quenza also presented the calendar of events scheduled for the year 2016 and closed his presentation by declaring that the JJEU has also suggested proposals of close cooperation with the other JJIF Continental Unions and working in the same time for a best activities of Marketing and Media.

AFRICA :

The President of Ju- Jitsu African Union JJAFU, Mr. Colince Tatsa Tchinda, gave his report commencing with a short history and activities of the JJAFU:

He stated that the JJAFU has been existing since the end of 2005, and was exceptionally and directly admitted as a full member by the GA of AASC and SCSA of 2007.

He reported that till now the JJAFU had conducted four African Championships and few Opens, more training camps and JJAFU GAs, a lot of skype meetings and one JJIF Convention in 2014; One African participation to the World Games (with one silver medal), several participations to the World Championships and JJIF GAs. He added that the Members should not forget the African participation in the JJIF Military and Police seminar in Madrid 2010.

He continued that the JJAFU had since its creation, amended its statutes twice; the last modification was initiated by the GA of 2015 in South Africa. The JJAFU has been fighting for the official integration of Ju-Jitsu / Self-Defense into the African Games at

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the GAs of AASC and SCSA of 2011 in Maputo, and that in 2015 they finally secured the AASC authorization for JJAFU to participate to the 2015 African Games in Brazzaville, first as a demonstrative discipline. Unfortunately, the JJAFU then encountered some unexpected difficulties at the level of the organizing country which had the responsibility to manage and organize the Jiu-Jitsu/Self-Defense participation.

He reported that such achievements needed a lot of money, but the JJAFU did not have an adequate budget and that they were forced to pay a lot of expenses from their personal pockets

He added that all JJAFU members have been directed to cooperate and forward all the requested documents, information and statistics about their organizations, in order to expect a better assistance and recognition from AASC, AU, IOC, and also from the JJIF

The JJAFU President reported that the Principal Difficulties faced by them were at the financial level and in complying with the JJIF regulations and strategies. He requested that the JJIF regulations be reviewed in collaboration with African members, in order to make easier the task and development of JJAFU countries.

He concluded by stating that the JJAFU board will convene a JJAFU EGA 2016 shortly wherein aside of fresh elections, all the African members could set up a better development strategy for the future.

ASIA:

In the absence of the JJAU President H.E Abdulmunem Alsayedmohamed Alsayed AL Hashmi, the Asia report was given by Mr. Suresh Gopi in his newly elected capacity as the Vice- President of the JJAU.

Mr. Gopi informed the members that Ju-Jitsu is now the fastest growing combat sport across Asia and that the current membership roll of the JJAU stands at 37 National members, with more and more national bodies under the application process.

Mr. Gopi reported that under the able leadership of H.E Abdulmunem Alsayedmohamed Alsayed AL Hashmi, President of the JJAU and the valued

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Members of the JJAU Board, Ju-Jitsu has been admitted into ALL the Asian Olympic Disciplines including the 2018 Asian Games at Indonesia , the 2017 Asian Indoor Martial Arts Games at Turkmenistan and the 2016 Asian Beach Games at Vietnam.

He added that the JJAU has fully complied with the requisites of Membership of the Olympic Council of Asia and that Regional Ju-Jitsu Championships and Referee and Coaching Seminars have been conducted in all the five regions of Asia.

He informed the Assembly that the JJAU had just conducted its Electoral General Assembly under the guidelines of the JJIF statutes and that the new Executive Board consists of 15 members with representatives from all the Asian Regions.

He added that the JJAU is now ready and willing to closely cooperate with JJIF Continental Unions of Europe, Africa and Pan America so as to further sporting ties and enhance the global development of Ju-Jitsu.

He concluded his report expressing his appreciation to **H.E. Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahayan, Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi** for his patronage valued support & guidance for Ju Jitsu and the Host City of Abu Dhabi for the warm and cordial hospitality.

PAN AMERICA:

Mr. Panagiotis Theodoropoulos excuse the absence of JJPAU president Ignacio Aloise and announced the Pan-American Championship 2016 in Panama in August.

5. Ratification of 2015- 2016 JJIF Board Resolutions

The JJIF President explained the significance of finalizing the 2015-2016 JJIF Board Resolutions. He then requested the Members present to vote on ratification of the minutes of the JJIF Board meeting held in Abu Dhabi, UAE on 30th January 2016.

By the majority vote of the members present the minutes of the JJIF Board meeting held in Abu Dhabi, UAE on 30th January 2016 was approved and adopted by the General Assembly. There was one abstention (Mr. Luc Mortelmans -Belgian Ju- Jitsu Federation)

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Accordingly the EOGA has ratified the re-structured composition of JJIF Executive Board as resolved on 30th January 2016 under:

The Board Members in full compliance to the existing Statutes of the JJIF, shall comprise of initially of;

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| ▪ President | Mr. Panagiotis Theodoropoulos , |
| ▪ Vice President [President Asia] | Mr. Abdul Munem Al Hashmi |
| ▪ Vice President [President Europe] | Mr. Dario Piero Quenza |
| ▪ Vice President [President Pan America] | Mr. Ignacio Aloise |
| ▪ Vice President [President Africa] | Mr. Colince Tatsa Tchinde |

6. JJIF National Membership Status and Criteria [so as to meet the minimum requirement of at least 50 affiliated National Federations from at least Three Continents which exercise real and ongoing Ju-Jitsu Activity]

Mr. Jang Soon Ho, took the floor and objected to the removal of his Korean Ju-Jitsu Association as a JJIF member. The JJIF president declared that another Korean federation has submitted the relevant document certifying that it is recognized by the Korean Olympic committee and this is the reason why the other Korean Ju-Jitsu Federation has been accepted as JJIF member. The JJIF President added that the JJIF cannot probe further to the internal matters of the country. Mr. Jang Soon Ho then left the Assembly.

The JJIF President and Mr. Suresh Gopi both explained that as the JJIF is in the process of submitting the necessary documents to support the JJIF application for IOC Recognition and Membership, as such it was imperative and mandatory for all National Ju-Jitsu Federations to submit to the JJIF the following documents in order to fulfill the criteria of IOC Recognition:

- A current dated letter from the respective NOC (or National Sports Authorities), confirming the status of recognition of the National Ju-Jitsu Federation whenever this recognition is granted.
- Proof of payment of all JJIF membership fees with no outstanding dues
- The letter of Compliance to JJIF Statutes and Rules & regulations signed by their President of the National Federation,
- Attested copy of their latest Statutes in English,
- An activity report evidencing that at least TWO annual national Championship has been conducted by the National Federation during the past two years,

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Furthermore, the JJIF President clarified that prior to the next JJIF General Assembly the Membership status of all existing National Ju-Jitsu Federations will be reviewed completely and will be freshly evaluated based on their compliance to the membership criteria as stated in the new JJIF statutes. This is to give to all National Federations equal opportunity of obtaining the full membership status.

The president added that the JJIF Executive Board will shortly evaluate the membership status of each National federation based on documents received from them and would inform all members of their current Membership Status under the New JJIF statutes.

The JJIF President then welcomed new National Ju- Jitsu Federations from (Jiu-Jitsu Association of Korea, Brazilian Jiu- Jitsu Federation and United Kingdom Ju-Jitsu Federation,), asked their representatives to give a brief description of their activity.

Then Mr. Luc Mortelmans, President of the Belgian Ju- Jitsu Federation took the floor and addressed to the JJIF Board formulated the objection that if JJIF accepts new members this requires amendment of the JJIF Statutes.

Mr. Suresh Gopi responded explaining that after the Amendment of the JJIF Statutes in Kamena Vourla, Greece in 2015, any provisional member who has secured NOC Recognition or recognition of their National Sports Authority and has participated in a JJIF world Championship, is automatically entitled to become a full member of the JJIF.

The JJIF President clarified that new members who do not fulfil the membership criteria as per the existing Statutes would be granted only Provisional Membership status, and once they evidence that they are in full compliance of the JJIF membership criteria, they too would automatically become Full Members of the JJIF.

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The JJIF President asked the Assembly to vote on admission of new members. The result of the voting was as follows:

Provisional Members:

- **Jiu-Jitsu Association of Korea :**
The majority of members present at the EOGA voted to admit the said applicant, there were 2 abstentions (Mr. Luc Mortelmans -Belgian Ju- Jitsu Federation and Mrs. Lisbeth Hansen- Danish Ju- Jitsu Federation)
- **Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu Federation :**
The majority of members present at the EOGA voted to admit the said applicant. There was one abstention (Mr. Luc Mortelmans -Belgian Ju- Jitsu Federation)
- **United Kingdom Ju-Jitsu Federation :**
The majority of members present at the EOGA voted to admit the said applicant. There were two abstentions (Mr. Luc Mortelmans -Belgian Ju- Jitsu Federation and Mr. Robert Perc- Slovenian Ju- Jitsu Federation)

Full Members with NOC / Sports Authority Recognition

- **Ju Jitsu Federation Lanka :**
The said federation is recognized by the Ministry of Sports and by the NOC of Sri Lanka and had participated in the 2015 JJIF World Championship at Thailand

The majority of members present at the EOGA voted to admit the said member. There was one abstention (Mr. Luc Mortelmans - Belgian Ju- Jitsu Federation)

- **Hungarian Sport Ju-Jitsu Federation:**
This said Federation is recognized by the NOC and has merged with the existing full JJIF member in Hungary

The majority of members present at the EOGA voted to admit the said member. There was one abstention (Mr. Luc Mortelmans - Belgian Ju- Jitsu Federation)

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- **Bahrain Ju-Jitsu Federation:**

The said federation is recognized by the Ministry of Sports and by the NOC of Bahrain and had participated in the 2015 JJIF World Championship at Madrid

The majority of members present at the EOGA voted to admit the said member. There was one abstention (Mr. Luc Mortelmans - Belgian Ju- Jitsu Federation)

The JJIF President congratulated and welcomed the newly admitted provisional and full National Federations-members of JJIF.

7. Disciplinary Action against any Member or the removal of any Members

The President proposed not to take up this items on the agenda due to the paucity of time.

The majority of members present at the EOGA voted to not to take up this item on the Agenda. There was one abstention (Mr. Luc Mortelmans - Belgian Ju- Jitsu Federation)

8. Amendment of the JJIF Statutes so as to fully conform to IOC guidelines

The JJIF President emphasized the urgent need to ratify and adopt the new Statutes as proposed in the 2015 JJIF EOGA at Bangkok, Thailand and as presented at the Open Board Meeting at Madrid, Spain. He added that the proposed New Statutes of the JJIF was necessary to ensure JJIF's conformity to the IOC Charter guidelines and directives, which is mandatory for securing IOC recognition.

The President added that the JJIF application for IOC recognition has to be submitted to the IOC by the deadline of 15th of May 2016, which was as stipulated by the IOC failing which the next opportunity without any scope of amendments would be only in 31st August 2016.

The representative of the FFJKDA, France (Mr. Philippe Merlin) expressed his opinion that the EOGA cannot vote on the new proposed Statutes as they have been communicated at too short notice.

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The President of the Belgian Ju-Jitsu Federation (Luc Mortelmans) was also of the same opinion.

The JJIF President and Mr. Suresh Gopi emphasized once again that the EOGA was also called for at such short notice, primarily due the extra ordinary urgency of the situation and that Board is ready to go through each article of the proposed New Statutes, so to address any doubts and give full clarification to the members.

The President concluded by stating that it is for the members present at the EOGA to decide on the Statutes and to decide whether the JJIF should achieve its Olympic goals or miss out on this unique opportunity .

The proposed New Statutes of the JJIF were then presented to the members at the EOGA for their deliberation and consideration:

The President of the Slovenian Ju-Jitsu Federation (Mr. Robert Perc) addressed the President and Mr. Gopi, citing article by article, seeking clarification and minor amendments to the proposed New Statutes. Clarification on each of the issues raised were given clearly and satisfactorily by The President and Mr. Gopi and it was resolved to adopt most of the amendment s /recommendations proposed by Mr. Perc.

It was then proposed to the members present at the EOGM that they vote on adopting and ratifying the New Statutes of the JJIF [duly amended to incorporate most of the recommendations / amendments as proposed by Mr. Perc]

The Majority of the Members present at the EOGA then voted to approve and ratify the New Statutes of the JJIF and to adopt the same with immediate effect, there were Nil objections and there was one abstention (Luc Mortelmans – President of the Belgium Ju-Jitsu Federation).

It was thus resolved by the EOGA that the New Statutes of the JJIF is hereby approved and ratified and adopted and shall come into immediate effect.

Adoption of the 2016 JJIF Code of Ethics compliant to IOC Code of Ethics

It was resolved by the vote of the majority of the Members present at the EOGA that the JJIF Code of Ethics which is fully compliant to the IOC Code of Ethics be approved

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and adopted. The JJIF President declared that the JJIF will shortly be seeking eligible candidates for the formation of JJIF Ethics Commission, under the guidelines of the IOC.

Compliance to IOC Code on Prevention of Manipulation of Competitions

It was resolved by the vote of the majority of the Members present at the EOGA that IOC Code on Prevention of Manipulation of Competitions be adopted and enforced by the JJIF.

Compliance to IOC Conditions on Athletes Commission / Entourage / Education

It was resolved by the vote of the majority of the Members present at the EOGA that IOC Conditions on Athletes Commission / Entourage / Education be adopted and enforced by the JJIF

Ensuring Women's participation at all levels

It was resolved by the vote of the majority of the Members present at the EOGA that the JJIF shall ensure women's participation at all levels. The President then informed the EOGA that the JJIF must induct women in different positions, in order to ensure the gender equality, clarifying that there will be no discrimination in case of existence of more adequate person of the other gender.

9. Formation of the JJIF Commission for Sport for people with Different Abilities

The JJIF President requested the Member National Federations and the JJIF Continental Unions to propose candidates for the formation of the JJIF Commission the Differently Abled.

10. Recognition of JJEU by the European Olympic Committee

The JJIF President invited the JJIF Adviser of Sports Relations, Dr. Igor Lanzoni and the OCA member, Dr. Jaffer Al Muthafer, to give their updates to the EOGA, on the modalities to be adopted to ensure that the Ju-Jitsu European Union secures the recognition of the European Olympic Committee.

Dr. Igor Lanzoni made an explanatory video presentation.

In addition Dr. Jaffer Al Muthafer explained that he made certain meetings with the European Olympic Committee regarding this issue with which the Ju- Jitsu Asian Union can help and support the Ju-Jitsu European Union to obtain the Recognition.

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11. Issues Pertaining to the World Beach Games at San Diego, USA

The JJIF President emphasized the importance of World Beach Games at San Diego, USA in 2017, as Ju- Jitsu would be the only non-Olympic sport participating in the same. He reported that there was limited time remaining and recommended the members that they must be in preparedness, as the JJIF is on the road to sign an MOU with ANOC and the organizers of the World Beach Games.

12. Date and Venue of the 2016 JJIF Convention and Ordinary General Assembly (Session and Congress) including JJIF Elections.

The JJIF President declared that the 2016 JJIF Convention and Ordinary General Assembly and JJIF President Elections and Ethics Commission Elections will convened at the same time of the 5th Asian Beach Games to be held in September 2016 at Danang, Vietnam, in order to give an opportunity for all JJIF members to attend.

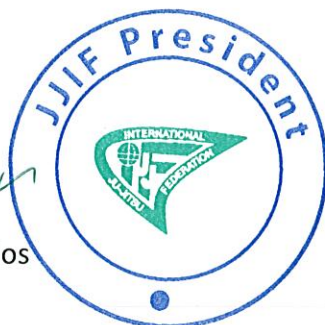
The JJIF Sports Director, Mr. Joachim Thumfart, emphasized that to secure registration and accreditation for this, JJIF needs to send passport copies of all participants to the registration authorities well in time and much before this event.

13. Any other Issue with the permission of the Chair

With no further issues still to debate, the JJIF President closed the Extra Ordinary General Assembly by thanking the President of Slovenian Federation for the suggestions made regarding the Statutes, to the JJIF Board for the trust showed and also the two JJIF Legal Advisers, Mr. Nuvin Proag and Mr. Suresh Gopi for their great support and collaboration.

With the best regards

Panagiotis Theodoropoulos
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