INTERNATIONAL PRACTICAL SHOOTING CONFEDERATION
Minutes of the Twenty-Ninth General Assembly
Guayaquil, Ecuador, 9:00 am Saturday, 20 August 2005

ADMINISTRATION

1) IPSC Secretary to present a list of voting Regions and proxies

Executive Council Present:

IPSC President    Mr. Nick Alexakos
IPSC General Secretary Mr. Fritz Gepperth
IPSC Secretary    Mr. Vince Pinto
IPSC Treasurer    Mr. Ren Henderson
IROA President    Mr. Dino Evangelinos
IROA Vice-president Mr. Juergen Tegge

Regions Present: (31)

Argentina               Mr. Marcos Kruszewski
Aruba                   Mr. Johan Vrieswijk
Australia               Mr. Des Lilley
Belgium                 Mr. Alain Joly
Brazil                  Mr. Luiz Frota
Canada:                 Mr. Sean Hansen
Czech Republic          Mr. Josef Horejsi
Denmark                 Mr. Tim Andersen
Ecuador                 Mr. Victor Ferrero
Germany                 Mr. Friedrich Gepperth
Greece                  Mr. Dimitrios Tzimas
Hong Kong               Mr. Vince Pinto
Indonesia               Mr. Bambang Trihatmodjo
Italy                   Mr. Riccardo Massantini
Jamaica                 Mr. Patrick Evelyn
Japan                   Mr. Kazuharu Kudo
Montenegro              Mr. Ilija Ilic
Netherlands             Mr. Kees Guichelaar
Norway                  Mr. Geir Owe
Philippines             Mr. Rommel Cabungcal
Poland                  Mr. Tadeusz Golab
Puerto Rico             Mr. Hector Orizondo
Russia                  Mr. Vitaly Kryushin
Serbia                  Mr. Vulevic Spasoje
South Africa            Mr. Daan Kemp
Sweden                  Mr. Par Bonte
Switzerland             Mr. Milan Stojanovic
United Kingdom          Mr. Graham Gill
United States           Mr. Michael Voigt
Venezuela               Mr. Carlos Antich
Zimbabwe                Mr. Warren King
Voting Regions: (39)

The following Regions were either present at the meeting and eligible to vote or submitted valid proxy forms (proxies indicated in *italics*):

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2) IPSC President to appoint two tellers
Mr. Rey Ganaban (PHI)
Mr. Myro Lopez (PHI)

3) IPSC Executive Council Reports
Individual verbal reports were given by each Executive Council member.

IPSC President
Regional Directors, Delegates, Distinguished Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen...
welcome to the twenty-ninth General Assembly of the International Practical Shooting Confederation.

Let me begin by thanking IPSC Ecuador for hosting this General Assembly and of course World Shoot XIV. The challenges of hosting a World Shoot are enormous and no one does it with the grace and style of Mr. Victor Ferrero. I'm sure that we are all going to have a fabulous week of competition with fun, friends, and fellowship.

As with most endeavors of this size there are always issues and complicating factors. What makes some issues seem almost insurmountable is when they are compounded by the fact that we have little or no control over them, and here I am speaking of ammunition.

This is one issue that we must address beginning now. It will not go away and it will indeed probably get worse. We must and we will come up with answers. We
will develop an acceptable and agreeable plan of action that will remove this most irritating complication from the enjoyment of our competitions.

Let me assure this General Assembly that the transport and availability of ammunition for our future competitions will continue to be one of our highest priorities.

2004 continued the upward trend. Our global memberships were up on average 5% and our Level III competitions increased by almost 10%. These numbers happen because of the hard work of our Regional Directors and on behalf of IPSC and the Executive Council I would like to thank all of the Regional Directors for your generous time and effort.

I would also like to thank the IPSC Executive Council:

Mr. Fritz Gepperth - IPSC General Secretary
Mr. Ren Henderson - IPSC Treasurer
Mr. Vince Pinto - IPSC Secretary
Mr. Dino Evangelinos - IROA President
Mr. Juergen Tegge - IROA Vice-President

And thank the members of the President's Council:

Mr. Tim Andersen (DEN)
Mr. Neil Beverley (GBR)
Mr. Bob Chittleborough (GBR)
Mr. Chepit Dulay (PHI)
Mr. Victor Ferrero (ECU)
Mr. Luiz Frota (BRA)
Mr. Alain Joly (FRA)
Mr. Michael Voigt (USA)

I would also like to thank our IPSC webmaster, Mr. Ian Fachie, who from the beginning has thanklessly managed our web site, and Mr. Chris Zielinski for his continuing work in developing WinMSS and ICS.

Last year I formalized IPSC Committees to define a structure for our projects and programs and this year we will hear reports from these committees later in the agenda.

Our future is full of challenges and promise. It's up to us to see just how promising it will be.

DVC
Nick Alexakos
IPSC President
4) Introduction of, and brief report from, each Regional Director
Each Regional Director spoke briefly about the latest news from their respective Regions.

5) Approval of the minutes of the Twenty-Eighth IPSC General Assembly
1. Motion:
That the minutes of the previous Assembly held in Bali, Indonesia, 27 November 2004 as circulated to the Regions be accepted.

Moved: Netherlands
Seconded: Denmark
Carried For-38 Against-0 Abstain-1

6) IPSC Treasurer’s Report and approval of the previous year’s accounts
2A. Motion
That the 2004 accounts as circulated to the Regions be accepted.
Moved: Canada
Seconded: Brazil
Carried For-32 Against-3 Abstain-4

2B. Motion - Amended (submitted in advance by South Africa)
That the 2004 accounts as circulated to the regions be accepted only after presentation of the 2005 and 2006 budgets.
Moved: South Africa
Seconded: United Kingdom
Denied For-6 Against-23 Abstain-10

7) Election of the IPSC President
3. Motion
Election of the IPSC President by ballot
Candidate: Mr. Nick Alexakos (incumbent)

Moved: Brazil
Seconded: Switzerland
Carried For-39 Against-0 Abstain-0

8) Appointment of an auditor
4. Motion:
That the chartered accounting firm of Wayne Hughes Chartered Accountant be appointed as Auditors for financial year 2005.
Moved: Germany
Seconded: Brazil
Carried For-38 Against-0 Abstain-1

9) Regional Development Director’s Report
A report was given by Mr. Vince Pinto on the work of this committee.

10) Ratification of Regions provisionally accepted by the IPSC Executive Council
   5. Motion
   That the Republic of Ireland be provisionally accepted for one year.
   Moved: United Kingdom
   Seconded: Zimbabwe
   Carried For-39 Against-0 Abstain-0

   6. Motion
   That the Republic of Ukraine be provisionally accepted for one year.
   Moved: Germany
   Seconded: Netherlands
   Carried For-39 Against-0 Abstain-0

11) Final acceptance of Regions previously accepted provisionally by the IPSC Assembly
   7. Motion
   That Bosnia-Herzegovina be definitively accepted.
   Moved: Brazil
   Seconded: Poland
   Carried For-39 Against-0 Abstain-0

   8. Motion
   That Estonia be definitively accepted.
   Moved: Ecuador
   Seconded: Denmark
   Carried For-39 Against-0 Abstain-0

   9. Motion
   That Latvia be definitively accepted.
   Moved: Greece
   Seconded: Norway
   Carried For-39 Against-0 Abstain-0

   10. Motion
       That Montenegro be definitively accepted.
       Moved: Serbia
       Seconded: Switzerland
Carried For-39 Against-0 Abstain-0
The Assembly welcomes the newly accepted Regions and wishes them all the best of success. The IPSC Secretary advised that the four Regions definitively accepted are not yet in a voting position, hence no action was required by the tellers.

12) Declaration of vacant Regions when more than ninety days in arrears
Our records show the following Regions are in arrears and risk becoming declared vacant. If there is any question concerning this situation, please contact this office immediately (Section 10.8 of the Constitution)

11. Motion
That Andorra be declared vacant if not in good standing by 31st December, 2005. (requires 3/4 vote)
Moved: Canada
Seconded: Netherlands
Carried For-39 Against-0 Abstain-0

12. Motion
That China be declared vacant if not in good standing by 31st December, 2005. (requires 3/4 vote)
Moved: Zimbabwe
Seconded: Ecuador
Carried For-39 Against-0 Abstain-0

13. Motion
That Mexico be declared vacant if not in good standing by 31st December, 2005. (requires 3/4 vote)
Moved: Switzerland
Seconded: Canada
Carried For-39 Against-0 Abstain-0

13) Annual Regional Status recognition
The IPSC President presented awards to the following Regions in recognition of their performance for the 2004 calendar year:

Top Three Regions Overall:  
1st Brazil
2nd Germany
3rd Italy

Most Improved Region: Jamaica

ORGANIZATION
14. Motion (submitted in advance by South Africa)
That decisions made by the President's Council and its associated bodies only be promulgated after ratification by this Assembly.

Moved: South Africa
Seconded: Not Seconded
Denied

14) IPSC Development Plan Report
The IPSC Treasurer gave an updated report to the Assembly.

15) Course Of Fire Committee Report
The IROA Vice-President gave an updated report to the Assembly on behalf of Chairman Doug Lewis.

16) Seminar Services Committee Report
Mr. Bob Chittleborough gave an updated report to the Assembly on behalf of Chairman Neil Beverley.

17) Competition Services Committee Report
Mr. Bob Chittleborough gave an updated report to the Assembly on behalf of Chairman Martyn Spence.

18) Promotional Services Committee Report
The IPSC President gave an updated report to the Assembly.

19) Environmental Services Committee Report
No report was available for the Assembly.

20) IROA Executive Committee report
Chairman Kees Guichelaar gave an updated report to the Assembly.

15. Motion
That the draft IROA Member's Handbook be adopted on an evaluation basis until the next IPSC General Assembly.

Moved: Canada
Seconded: United States

15A. Motion (Amended from the floor): This Assembly approves, in principle, the issuance of an IROA Handbook.

Moved: RSA
Seconded: Netherlands
Carried For-30 Against-0 Abstain-0 (No Proxies)

21) Production Division Committee report
Chairman Vince Pinto gave an updated report to the Assembly.

16 Motion:
That the Production Division Committee be authorized to re-assess current guns, and to assess proposed new guns using the general criteria and guidelines as set out by the General Assembly, and which will be reviewed annually by the General Assembly.

Moved: United States
Seconded: Canada
Carried For-38 Against-1 Abstain-0

After viewing a visual presentation of controversial guns on the Approved Gun List, the Assembly indicated preferences by way of an informal show of hands and that the Committee be guided accordingly.

22) Rules Committee report
Chairman Michael Voigt gave an updated report to the Assembly.

17. Motion

Moved: United States
Seconded: Netherlands

17A Motion (Amended from the floor): That the Handgun, Rifle and Shotgun rule interpretations of the January 2004 Edition rules ratified at the 2004 General Assembly be formally adopted as amendments to the January 2004 Edition rules which will be renamed as January 2006 Edition rules.

Moved: Zimbabwe
Seconded: Venezuela
Carried For-30 Against-0 Abstain-0 (No Proxies)

18. Motion
That the Handgun, Rifle and Shotgun rule interpretations of the January 2004 Edition Rules, as published on the IPSC web site in March & July
2005, be ratified and adopted as amendments to the revised January 2006 Edition Rules.

Moved: Switzerland
Seconded: South Africa
Carried For-39 Against-0 Abstain-0

19. Motion
That the amendments to the revised IPSC Handgun Rules, January 2006 Edition, as circulated to the Regions, be adopted.

Moved: Brazil
Seconded: Canada
Carried For-39 Against-0 Abstain-0

20. Motion
That the amendments to the revised IPSC Shotgun Rules, January 2006 Edition, as circulated to the Regions, be adopted.

Moved: United Kingdom
Seconded: Switzerland
Carried For-38 Against-0 Abstain-1

21. Motion
That the amendments to the revised IPSC Rifle Rules, January 2006 Edition, as circulated to the Regions, be adopted.

Moved: Greece
Seconded: Norway
Carried For-38 Against-0 Abstain-1

22. Motion
That the IPSC Executive Council be allowed to make minor grammatical corrections to any spelling, punctuation and/or formatting errors in the January 2006 Edition Rules, provided that such changes do not alter the meaning or intent of any rule. Likewise, errors and conflicts may also be corrected. Any such changes as a result of this motion are subject to ratification or modification at the next IPSC General Assembly.

Moved: Netherlands
Seconded: Belgium
Carried For-37 Against-1 Abstain-1
23) WinMSS and ICS report
The IPSC President gave an updated report to the Assembly with an announcement that Level III matches may now be used as IPSC Classifier Matches even without the participation of any Grand Masters.

24) General Association of International Sports Federations (GAISF) update
The IPSC President gave the Assembly an updated report of the results of the GAISF voting to the Assembly.

COMPETITIONS

25) 2006 IPSC World Rifle Championships, Denmark
Danish Regional Director Tim Anderson gave a brief report to the Assembly and advised that it may not be possible for the match to proceed as planned.

26) 2006 IPSC European Shotgun Championships, Greece
Greek Regional Director Dimitrios Tzimas gave an audio-visual presentation to the Assembly.

27) 2006 IPSC Pan-American Handgun Championships, Brazil
Brazilian Regional Director Luiz Frota gave a brief report to the Assembly.

28) 2006 IPSC African Handgun Championships, South Africa
South African Regional Director Daan Kemp gave a brief report to the Assembly.

29) 2006 IPSC 3-Gun Tournament

   23. Motion
   That the 2006 World 3-gun Championship be held in the Region of South Africa.

   Moved: Australia
   Seconded: Zimbabwe
   Carried For-39 Against-0 Abstain-0

30) 2008 World Shoot XV venue

Candidate: Indonesia

   24. Motion
   That World Shoot XV in 2008 be held in the Region of Indonesia.

   Moved: Greece
   Seconded: Denmark
GENERAL
31) Date and place of next IPSC General Assembly

25. Motion
That the 2006 General Assembly be held in conjunction with the competition to be determined by vote of this Assembly.

Candidates:  Brazil (Pan-American Handgun Championships)
            Greece (European Shotgun Championships)

Moved: Switzerland
Seconded: Ecuador

After conducting a vote by ballot, the tellers announced that Greece had secured the majority of votes.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS
32) Non-binding proposed actions for Assembly discussion and direction.

Teddy Bear Charity Project
The object of this presentation will be that IPSC cares about our communities and to provide for the Regions a proven community children's charity project for them to implement in the name of IPSC and their Region.

Tabled for next year.

ADJOURNMENT
33) Adjournment

26. Motion
That the 2004 IPSC General Assembly be adjourned.
Moved: Hong Kong
Seconded: Greece
Carried For-38 Against-0 Abstain-1