ADMINISTRATION

IPSC Executive Council Present:

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

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

Regions Represented:

Australia   Mr. Gareth Graham
Austria   Mr. Andreas Stettin
Brazil   Mr. Luiz Frota
Canada   Mr. Sean Hansen
Czech Republic  Mr. Roman Sedy
Denmark   Mr. Tim Andersen
Ecuador   Mr. Victor Ferrero
Finland   Mr. Timo McKeown
France   Mr. Alain Joly (Alternate)
Germany   Mr. Fritz Gepperth
Greece    Mr. Dimitrios Tzimas
Hong Kong   Mr. Vince Pinto (Alternate)
Indonesia  Mr. Bambang Trihatmodjo
Ireland   Mr. John Fitzgerald
Israel   Mr. Nachum Zarzif
Italy    Mr. Riccardo Massantini
Lithuania  Mr. Saulius Rutkauskas
Namibia   Mr. Rico Viljoen
Netherlands   Mr. Kees Guichelaar
Norway   Mr. Geir Owe
Poland   Mr. Tadeusz Golab
Portugal   Mr. Jose Rebelo (Alternate)
Russia   Mr. Vitaly Kryushin
Serbia   Mr. Spasoje Vulevic
Slovak Republic  Mr. Peter Brazdil
South Africa   Mr. Daan Kemp
Spain   Ms. Teresa Martinez (Alternate)
Sweden   Mr. Christer Back
Switzerland  Ms. Stephanie Kieninger
United Kingdom Mr. Graham Gill
United States   Mr. Bruce Gary (Alternate)
Uruguay   Mr. Juan Jose Diaz
Voting Regions:

The following Regions were eligible to vote and were present at the meeting or submitted a valid proxy (as indicated by *italics*):

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Non-Responsive Regions:

The following Regions were eligible to vote and did not vote either by a delegate or by valid proxy:

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2) IPSC President to appoint two tellers

Bob Chittleborough (GBR)
Kevin Pledger (SIN)

3) IPSC Executive Council Reports

IPSC President
Regional Directors, Delegates, Distinguished Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen

Good morning and welcome to the Thirty-First General Assembly of the International Practical Shooting Confederation.

I would like to ask everyone to please stand and observe a moment of silence for our past presidents; Col. Jeff Cooper and Monsieur Jean-Pierre Denis. Their contributions are a significant part of our history and their spirit will always be with us.
I will begin this morning by saying how charged-up and proud I am.

As in the past, it is customary that I acknowledge and thank the hosting Region for preparing the championship match and for having us all here together. However, this year is somewhat special. Not only do I wish to thank the French Shooting Federation for organizing this outstanding European Championship but I especially want to thank two gentlemen for without their efforts we would certainly not be here today. Of course, I am speaking of Monsieur Philippe Crochard and Monsieur Alain Joly.

For those of you who may not know the story, several years ago the French Minister of Sport felt that in her opinion IPSC was not a sport. Based on nothing more than her whim, she declared IPSC a non-sport and directed the French Shooting Federation not to recognize IPSC and IPSC shooting. No competitions, no money, no funding, no teams, no national shooters, no range officers, no meetings, no medals, no nothing...

This situation persisted for 7 years, nevertheless IPSC shooting continued 'under the radar' thanks to Philippe Crochard and Alain Joly who relentlessly challenged the minister's decision. They fought, and fought, and fought... and they won. Last year, I am proud to say that IPSC was officially recognized in France as a shooting sport.

When I think of sport, I think of the words of Nelson Mandela;

"Sport has the power to change the world, the power to inspire, the power to unite, and the power to speak in a language all understand."

Ladies and gentleman, I believe this. I believe this because Philippe Crochard and Alain Joly proved it. These two gentlemen, these two sportsmen are an inspiration to us all and IPSC owes them our most profound appreciation and gratitude.

So when I said I was proud of IPSC, you begin to see why.

I am proud of our people and I’m proud of our programs. The new IPSC Cuddle Bear program, our on-line member's forum-the Global Village, our on-line IROA membership system, our Classification program, our Range Officer programs... and much more as we will see as we move through the agenda. This is just the beginning of taking IPSC to the 'next level.'

This next level will focus on what I call ‘the feel good factor’. This new level will raise our image by presenting and recognizing more visually exciting stages, shooters appearance, team attire, and range officer appearance just to mention a few of the new initiatives.

Our shooters are the best in the world and they deserve the best from us. They deserve the very best we can do.

I am also proud to report that we continue our upward trend. Memberships around the world are up on average 3%, and our Level III competitions increased again by almost 5%.
Every year we grow and strengthen because of the hard work of the Regional Directors. On behalf of the IPSC, I would like to thank the Regional Directors and to simply say how proud I am of all of you.

I also want to thank the Executive Council for their unselfish and steadfast commitment to this administration:

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

I am equally proud of the members of the President’s Council whose teamwork, focus, and clarity help keep us on track.

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

And lastly, I want to thank the ‘behind the scene’ team members, the various committee chairmen and their committee members for their work and all important deliberations. And, of course, our IPSC webmaster, Mr. Ian Fachie, who tirelessly manages our web site, and Mr. Chris Zielinski for his continuing work with WinMSS and ICS.

Our future remains bright and moving IPSC to the next level will be full of excitement and promise.

DVC
Nick Alexakos
IPSC President

Individual verbal reports were given by each Executive Council member.

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 Thirtieth IPSC General Assembly
   1. Motion:
That the minutes of the previous Assembly held in Kavala, Greece on 4 September 2006 as circulated to the Regions be accepted.

Moved: Greece
Seconded: Ecuador
Carried: For-39 Against-0 Abstain-0

6) IPSC Treasurer’s Report and approval of the previous year’s accounts

2. Motion
That the 2006 accounts as circulated to the Regions be accepted.

Moved: Israel
Seconded: Finland
Carried: For-39 Against-0 Abstain-0

7) Appointment of an auditor

3. Motion:
That the chartered accounting firm of Kapadia and Company, Chartered Accountants, be appointed as Auditors for financial year 2007.

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

8) Regional Development Director’s Report

A report was given by Chairman Vince Pinto on the work of this committee, which is comprised of Chepit Dulay (PHI), Victor Ferrero (ECU), Fritz Gepperth (GER) and Rico Viljoen (NAM).

9) Ratification of Regions provisionally accepted by the IPSC Executive Council

4. Motion
That Honduras be provisionally accepted for one year.

Moved: Ecuador
Seconded: Brazil
Carried: For-38 Against-0 Abstain-1

5. Motion
That Romania be provisionally accepted for one year.

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

6. Motion
That South Korea be provisionally accepted for one year.

Moved: Indonesia
Seconded: Netherlands
Carried: For-39 Against-0 Abstain-0
7. Motion
That Trinidad & Tobago be provisionally accepted for one year.
Moved: Brazil
Seconded: Canada
Carried: For-39 Against-0 Abstain-0

10) Final acceptance of Regions previously accepted provisionally by the IPSC Assembly
8. Motion
That Moldova be definitively accepted.
Moved: Austria
Seconded: Finland
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 Moldova is not yet in a voting position, hence no action was required by the tellers.

11) 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)

9. Motion
That Bosnia-Herzegovina be declared vacant if not in good standing by 31st December, 2007. (requires 3/4 vote)
Motion withdrawn.

10. Motion
That Jamaica be declared vacant if not in good standing by 31st December, 2007. (requires 3/4 vote)
Moved: Netherlands
Seconded: Canada
Carried: For-38 Against-0 Abstain-1

11. Motion
That Latvia be declared vacant if not in good standing by 31st December, 2007. (requires 3/4 vote)
Moved: Greece
Seconded: Brazil
Carried: For-38 Against-1 Abstain-0

12) Annual Regional Status recognition
The IPSC President presented awards to the following Regions in recognition of their performance for the 2006 calendar year:
ORGANIZATION

13) IROA Executive Committee Report
Mr. Kees Guichelaar, Chairman of the IROA Executive Committee, gave an updated report to the Assembly. The newly created IROA official striped shirt design was introduced by IROA President Dino Evangelines to much acclaim from delegates.

14) Rules Committee report
In the absence of Chairman Michael Voigt, an updated report to the Assembly was given by Rules Coordinating Committee Chairman Mr. Bob Chittleborough.

12. Motion
That the June 2007 interpretations of the Handgun Competition Rules, January 2006 Edition, as published on the IPSC website, be ratified.
Moved: USA
Seconded: Finland
Carried: For-39 Against-0 Abstain-0

13. Motion
That the June 2007 interpretations of the Shotgun Competition Rules, January 2006 Edition, as published on the IPSC website, be ratified.
Moved: Greece
Seconded: Ireland
Carried: For-39 Against-0 Abstain-0

14. Motion
That the June 2007 interpretations of the Rifle Competition Rules, January 2006 Edition, as published on the IPSC website, be ratified.
Moved: South Africa
Seconded: Norway
Carried: For-39 Against-0 Abstain-0

15) Production Division Committee report
Chairman Vince Pinto gave an updated report to the Assembly on the work of the committee, which is comprised of Tim Anderson (DEN), Fritz Gepperth (GER), George Giamarellos (GRE) and Doug Lewis (CAN).

16) Course Of Fire Committee Report
In the absence of Chairman Doug Lewis, an updated report to the Assembly was given by Juergen Tegge

17) Seminar Services Committee Report
Chairman Daan Kemp gave an updated report to the Assembly.

18) IPSC Cuddle Bear report
Neil Beverley gave an updated report to the Assembly, and announced that the first delivery of IPSC Cuddle Bears made to the hospital in Cavaillon was a huge success.

19) Action Airsoft Shooting
The President gave a brief introduction about his desire to create a committee to investigate this matter.

15. Motion
That the IPSC Executive Council appoint a Steering Committee to investigate the manner and feasibility of both recognizing and promoting Action Airsoft Shooting.
Moved: Hong Kong
Seconded: Brazil
Carried: For-35 Against-3 Abstain-1

The President then called for volunteers to serve on Action Airsoft Shooting Committee, and responses were received from Finland, France, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, United Kingdom, and Uruguay.

20) Texas Star Target
16. Motion
IPSC Canada moves that the IPSC General Assembly direct the IPSC Executive to approve the “Texas Star” Steel target presentation system for use in IPSC competition..
Moved: Canada
Seconded: USA
Denied: For-10 Against-25 Abstain-4

21) 357Sig Standard Division and Senior Teams
17. Motion
That the IPSC General Assembly will discuss Motion 17a and Motion 18, two proposed amendments to IPSC rules, notwithstanding that this is not an Assembly held in conjunction with a World Championship (requires 2/3 vote).
Moved: Australia
Seconded: Norway
Carried: For-31 Against-7 Abstain-1
17A. Motion
IPSC Australia moves that with effect from 1 January 2008, Item 5 of Appendix D2 Standard Division be changed from "Minimum bullet calibre for Major: 10mm (0.40")" to "Minimum bullet calibre for Major: 10mm (0.40"), see below", and that a new item be added under Special Conditions: "19. 357SIG is also an approved caliber for Major, subject to achieving the applicable minimum power factor".
Moved: Australia
Seconded: Denmark

17B. Motion To Amend:
IPSC Australia moves that for an evaluation period commencing 1 January 2008 and ending 31 December 2009, Item 5 of Appendix D2 Standard Division be changed from "Minimum bullet calibre for Major: 10mm (0.40")" to "Minimum bullet calibre for Major: 10mm (0.40")", see below", and that a new item be added under Special Conditions: "19. 357SIG is also an approved caliber for Major, subject to achieving the applicable minimum power factor". These changes are subject to amendment, deletion or extension at the 2009 General Assembly.
Moved: Germany
Seconded: Greece
Carried: For-20 Against-6 Abstain-2

22) Senior Teams
18. Motion
That IPSC recognize Senior Teams in Level IV and Level V matches.
Moved: Norway
Seconded: Israel
Carried: For-39 Against-0 Abstain-0

23) Lifetime Achievement Award
19. Motion
That IPSC establish a Lifetime Achievement Award.
Moved: Greece
Seconded: Finland
Carried: For-39 Against-0 Abstain-0

COMPETITIONS

24) 2007 AustralAsia Handgun Championship update report from Thailand
In the absence of a delegate from Thailand Mr. Vince Pinto gave an updated report to the Assembly.

25) 2008 World Shoot XV update report from Indonesia
Mr. Jay Reyes from IPSC Indonesia gave a brief visual presentation and a verbal report on the progress of the arrangements for World Shoot XV and answered a series of questions from the floor.

26) 2009 Three-Gun World Shoot update report from Ecuador
Mr. Victor Ferrero from IPSC Ecuador gave a brief report to the Assembly.

27) 2009 African Handgun Championships
20. Motion
That the 2009 African Handgun Championship be held in the Region to be determined by vote of this Assembly (African Regions only to vote on the venue).
Moved:   Austria
Seconded: Greece
Carried:  For-38 Against-0 Abstain-1

As IPSC South Africa was the only candidate they were acclaimed as the host for the 2009 African Handgun Championship.

28) 2009 European Shotgun Championships
21. Motion
That the 2009 European Shotgun Championship be held in the Region to be determined by vote of this Assembly (European Regions only to vote on the venue).
Moved:   Israel
Seconded: Denmark
Carried:  For-38 Against-0 Abstain-1

As IPSC Russia was the only candidate they were acclaimed as the host for the 2009 European Shotgun Championship.

29) 2009 AustralAsian Shotgun Championships
22. Motion
That the 2009 Australasia Shotgun Championship be held in the Region of the Philippines (Australasian Regions only to vote).
Moved:   Hong Kong
Seconded: Australia
Carried:  For-10 Against-0 Abstain-0

30) 2010 European Rifle Championships
23. Motion
That the 2009 European Rifle Championship be held in the Region of Norway (European Regions only to vote).
Moved:   Denmark
Seconded: Ireland
Carried:  For-21 Against-0 Abstain-0
31) 2010 European Handgun Championships

24. Motion
That the 2010 European Handgun Championship be held in the Region to be determined by vote of this Assembly (European Regions only to vote on the venue).
Moved: Finland
Seconded: Austria
Carried: For-39 Against-0 Abstain-0

The two candidates, Poland and Serbia, each gave a brief presentation and answered a series of questions from the floor after which a secret ballot was conducted. After the votes were tallied the IPSC Secretary announced that the successful candidate was Serbia.

32) 2010 AustralAsian Handgun Championships

25. Motion
That the 2010 Australasia Handgun Championship be held in the Region to be determined by vote of this Assembly (Australasia Regions only to vote on the venue).
Moved: Australia
Seconded: Indonesia
Carried: For-38 Against-0 Abstain-1

The candidate Regions of the Philippines and Singapore/Malaysia were not present, hence a secret ballot was immediately conducted. After the three Australasia votes present and the five Australasia proxies were tallied, the IPSC Secretary announced that the successful candidate was Singapore/Malaysia.

33) 2010 Latin American Handgun Championships

26. Motion
That the 2010 Latin American Handgun Championship be held in the Region of Argentina (Latin American Regions only to vote).
Moved: Brazil
Seconded: Ecuador
Carried: For-5 Against-0 Abstain-0

34) 2010 Pan-American Shotgun Championships

27. Motion
That the 2010 Pan-American Shotgun Championship be held in the Region of USA (Pan American Regions only to vote on the venue).
Moved: USA
Seconded: Ecuador
Carried: For-39 Against-0 Abstain-0

As IPSC United States was the only candidate they were acclaimed as the host for the 2010 Pan-American Shotgun Championship.
35) 2010 Pan-American Rifle Championships
28. Motion
That the 2010 Pan-American Rifle Championship be held in the Region to be determined by vote of this Assembly (Pan-American Regions only to vote).
Moved: Denmark
Seconded: Ecuador

28a. Motion To Table:
That the matter of the 2010 Pan-American Rifle Championship be tabled until the 2008 General Assembly.
Moved: Hong Kong
Seconded: Greece
Carried: For-29 Against-0 Abstain-0

29. Motion
That the 2010 African Three-Gun Championship be held in the Region to be determined by vote of this Assembly (African Regions only to vote).
Moved: Denmark
Seconded: Ecuador
Carried: For-38 Against-0 Abstain-1

As IPSC South Africa was the only candidate they were acclaimed as the host for the 2010 African Three-Gun Championship.

36) 2011 European IPSC Three-Gun Championships
30. Motion
That the 2011 European Three-Gun Championship be held in the Region to be determined by vote of this Assembly (European Regions only to vote).
Moved: Australia
Seconded: Canada

30a. Motion To Table:
That the matter of the 2011 European Three-Gun Championship be tabled until the 2008 General Assembly.
Moved: Hong Kong
Seconded: Australia
Carried: For-29 Against-0 Abstain-0

37) 2011 IPSC Rifle World Shoot
31. Motion
That the 2011 IPSC Rifle World Shoot be held in the Region to be determined by vote of this Assembly.
Moved: Brazil
Seconded: Finland

31a. Motion To Table:
That the matter of the 2011 IPSC Rifle World Shoot be tabled until the
2008 General Assembly.
Moved: Hong Kong
Seconded: Netherlands
Carried: For-29 Against-0 Abstain-0

38) 2011 IPSC Shotgun World Shoot
32. Motion
That the 2011 IPSC Shotgun World Shoot be held in the Region
to be determined by vote of this Assembly.
Moved: Norway
Seconded: France

32a. Motion To Table:
That the matter of the 2011 IPSC Shotgun World Shoot be tabled until the
2008 General Assembly.
Moved: Hong Kong
Seconded: France
Carried: For-29 Against-0 Abstain-0

GENERAL

39) The General Association of International Sport Federations (GAISF) report
The IPSC President gave an updated report regarding the current situation.

40) Date and place of next IPSC General Assembly
33. Motion
That the 2008 General Assembly be held in conjunction with World Shoot
XV.
Moved: Indonesia
Seconded: Czech Republic
Carried: For-39 Against-0 Abstain-0

ANY OTHER BUSINESS
There was no other business.

ADJOURNMENT

41) Adjournment
34. Motion
That the 2007 IPSC General Assembly be adjourned.
Moved: Netherlands
Seconded: Australia
Carried: For-39 Against-0 Abstain-0