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Presidency

Minutes of the Commission for Legal Affairs and the Statute Mantua 19th – 20th September 2008

On 20th September 2008 an ordinary meeting with the delegates responsible for AESOR Statute and Legal Affairs was held; the following members were present, in alphabetical order: Austria, Belgium (proxy by France), Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Italy, Spain and Switzerland.

Observers: Slovenia.

The pro tempore delegated Italian president, Francesco RUSSO, verifies the presence of the delegates and the respective qualifying and entitling quorum and opens the session.

The first topic addressed is the non-awarding of a gold medal to the President of a Delegation. Therefore, the awarding of a silver medal instead of a gold medal is proposed, together with the discussion, during another meeting, of possible changes in the specific regulation.

Subsequently, the Canadian delegate outlines that in the document to be presented at the European Commission, Canada is not mentioned as effective member, but as supporter member. The reply is that, being Canada a non-European country, the denomination “effective member” could have caused problems for the acknowledgement.

As for the acknowledgement, an updated list of the current AESOR members is checked.

Then, the position of the observer members is discussed; in particular, Great Britain should present a official application in Viterbo to become an observer member. The current AESOR presidency will send a notification before the event to the delegate of the mentioned country.

The same procedure is required for Portugal, although a delegate will be unofficially present. Considering that in Portugal there is not any association of the Reserve, the current AESOR presidency will contact the Ministry of Defence in order to verify if Portugal wishes to become an AESOR member and whether as effective or observer.

The Slovenian observer delegate asks if Slovenia is now officially an observer member, and the reply is that the required documents have not been received yet.

The current AESOR presidency will check if the mentioned documents exist.

No other relevant topics were discussed.

Topics to be discussed during the following session

- a) Consideration of possible changes of the Statute.
- b) Explanation of the Netherlands absence during Mantua gala night.
- c) Awarding of medals to non-members active in the AESOR organization.
- d) Use of uniforms during the commissions meetings, visits and convivial occasions.

Italian AESOR Delegate
Francesco RUSSO