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To all WKC member federations

The President Marko Nicović

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Dear Mr. President,

The 7th WKC World Championships have been completed successfully in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, USA. We thank all participating federations, competitors and officials for their efforts and supports. Unfortunately several federations could not attend the championships because their teams did not get the visa for the USA. The athletes had trained hard but were forced to stay home. We hope to avoid these difficulties in the future. That is why we have opened the next European Championships in 2010 for all continents (4th to 6th June 2010 in Belgrade, Serbia). And we are rather sure that all federations will get the entry visa for Serbia.

Our special thanks go to the local organiser of the World Championships, the AAU and Mr. Joe Mirza, the chairman of the AAU karate and the organising committee. The tournament ran very smoothly also the karate was of very high standard. We hope to maintain this very high level in future events.

At the 4th WKC Congress on the following persons have been elected to the Executive Committee:

Marko Nicović President, reelected Roland Dietrich Vice-President, reelected

Dr. Bruno Gilardi Vice-President Ladislav Klementis Vice-President Martin Nožička Vice-President

The Founding President Dr. Fritz Wendland is an ex officio member of the Executive Committee (amendment of the Statutes Art. 5.1)

The Congress re-elected Rudolf Rammer and elected Robert Musil for auditors.

The Congress thanked the former Vice-Presidents Ilya Gouliev and Joe Mirza for their tremendous work for the development of the WKC. Mr. Gouliev, a founder member of the WKC, has contributed for 13 years to the success of the WKC especially in the Eastern European and former Soviet countries, Mr. Mirza has given an extraordinary input in the technical field.

The Karate Club of Subotica, Serbia, has organised for the several years the Open Cup "Enpi" for Children. The WKC and the Serbian federation SKU in cooperation with the Subotica Karate Club have made an agreement to hold an *International Open WKC Cup* for Juniors, Cadets and Children every second year in late autumn starting this year on 14th-15th November. This Cup is open for *all* federations and clubs. There will be no restriction in the number of entries per category, also for the Juniors and Cadets. The WKC competition rules apply. – Subotica is situated near to the Serbian-Hungarian border and can be reached by bus from Budapest or Belgrade airport. The organiser will offer transport from and to the airports. – More details shall be given in our next publication.

We hope to satisfy our members with more opportunities so their young members can take full advantage of what we have to offer.

Sincerely yours

Marko Nicović President

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