

## **Brief Summary of the current situation and legal aspects**

Facts:

9. September 2015:

Report of the ISSF President to the Administrative Council about the request of the IOC to achieve gender equality in the Olympic shooting program for OG Tokyo 2020. Nomination of an Ad Hoc Committee.

22. and 23. November 2015:

General Secretary informed the Athletes Committee about the meeting had with the Sport Director of the Sports Department of IOC (ISD) and the clear request to change single events (50m Rifle Prone, 50m Pistol and Double Trap) into mixed air team events in rifle, pistol and trap.

12. February 2016:

ISD-ISSF Meeting: they decided for timetable for decisions and implementation of those events in the ISSF World Cup and World Championship program for 2017. ISSF did not follow the request.

ISD encourage the ISSF to give “serious consideration to develop laser shooting as new discipline for the future” (meeting ISD-ISSF of 12.02.2016).

Agreement of ISD and ISSF for elimination of 50m Rifle Prone, Double Trap, 50m Pistol event was then questionable, and introduction of mixed team air events in pistol, rifle and trap.

July 2016, GA in Moscow:

Any debate about the gender equality requirements of ISD at the GA of Moscow. ISSF leadership on purpose did not inform some specific members of the Executive Board and of the Administrative Council and ISSF Members. Only a few members of the leadership were informed about the evolution of the discussion with ISD.

Spring 2016-Autumn 2016:

Several reactions from outside: athletes, coaches, VP Rossi, National Federations, Continental Federations and industries. No input from outside were considered by the ISSF leadership.

20. and 21. November 2016:

Confirmation from ISSF to Athlete Committee to eliminate the 3 events: 50m Pistol, 50m Rifle Prone and Double Trap with the introduction of 3 new mixed team air events with first press release of ISSF.

30. and 31. January 2017:

Meeting of Ad Hoc Committee in Munich, there were presented some alternative proposals. After that presentation the members were divided in their opinion, three members voted against the final ISSF proposals. The vote was not unanimous.

February 2017- June 2017:

Consignment of ISSF Proposals to IOC, accepted by IOC the 9.6.2017.

Conclusion:

- Clear lack of transparency and missing good governance by some members of the ISSF leadership. The ISSF leadership kept on purpose important information secret to avoid any confrontation inside the constitutional process and between the legal authorities.
- Decisions were taken by few members of the ISSF leadership without legal authorization as it is stated in the ISSF Constitution and General Regulations.
- Only Administrative Council (AC) and the General Assembly (GA) have the right to introduce new events as per Art. 3.3.8. As it is stated in the ISSF Statutes, exclusively the GA has the authorization to make changes to the ISSF Constitution and Regulations as per art. 1.6.7.7 of the ISSF Statutes. The same is true for making any kind of changes to the ISSF events as per art. 3.3 of the Regulations.

The cancellations of any kind of events, and also the introduction of any new events must be authorized by a GA. Before such new events can be introduced they must be tested and approved as per art. 3.3.8 ISSF Regulations.

Therefore the ISSF decision to make changes about the events as the ISSF has done is violating the ISSF Constitution and General Regulations.

We invite the members of the ISSF to reject the proposals of ISSF, as they have been accepted by IOC for 2020. Furthermore we invite the ISSF members to propose to the ISSF Executive Committee to renegotiate with the IOC to reintroduce in the Olympic program, the three major shooting events 50m Rifle Prone, 50 m Pistol and Double Trap in accordance with the ISSF rules and General Regulations.