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ALL INDIA KARATE-DO FEDERATION

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Dated 23th December, 2013

To,

All Affiliated units of AIKF/ Style Chiefs / Members

Dear Members,

The new era of All India Karate do Federation has begun with pronouncement of interim order by Hon'ble Bombay High Court at Mumbai on 29 October 2013 whereby it directed the relevant departments to RECOGNISE that **AIKF registered at Bombay is the sole national governing body for the sport of Karate in India (detailed court order is attached in Annexure-1)**. This fact has come on record in the proceeding initiated by the present federation before the hon'ble Bombay High Court in OS WP No. 2323/2013 captioned All India Karate Do Federation, Mumbai Vs. Union of India. Therein the case the hon'ble high court has recorded the stand of UOI at para 13 holding that

"13. There is nothing on record which indicates that the Union of India has recognized any person or organization other than petitioner no. 1 for the said sport."(petitioner no. 1 is All India Karate do Federation and petitioner no. 2 is Rameshwar Nirwan)

The above observation and recoding of the fact based on the stand taken by the Union of India is indicative of the fact that the AIKF is the only national sports federation for the game of Karate in India.

The fact also remains that a rival group claiming itself to be AIKF before you and depicting themselves as office bearers of AIKF, Mumbai namely R. Thiyagrajan and Bharat Sharma were also party to this litigation and tried to persuade the hon'ble court that they are the one Karate Association of India and are having relevant recognition from the ministry based on certain letters addressed to them which was not accepted to by the hon'ble court. The court proceedings record as under:

"4. Mr. Cama, the learned counsel appearing on behalf of respondent no. 4- one Bharat Sharma, stated that the Karate Association of India is now the recognized body for the said sport in India. He relied upon a invitation issued by the Spanish Karate Federation extended to Karate Association of India



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5. *This letter by itself, however, would not establish that Karate Association of India is recognized by Government of India. It cannot possibly mean recognition is conferred by respondent no. 1.(Govt. of India) whether respondent no. 1 chose to act upon the same or not is a different matter with which we are not concerned presently especially in view of the stand taken by the Union of India before us which we will refer to.*

"10. ... We are not concerned here as to who head or who is in control of or is entitled to manage petitioner no. 1 That is a matter which is the subject matter of orders passed by the office of the Charity commissioner as well as the subject matter of proceedings pending before the Charity Commissioner. The aforesaid correspondence, including the instructions to the Union of India which we have referred to earlier, indicate that the Union of India recognizes petitioner no. 1 in respect of Karate (sic sports).

The fact is thus established that AIKF, Mumbai is the only recognized federation and that the Thiyagrajan and Bharat Sharma are now claiming to be Karate Association of India which has no recognition of Government of India.

It would also be worthy to reminding you the last order of the learned Deputy Charity commissioner dated 28th December, 2012 under which the new elections of the AIKF took place early this year wherein after a thorough inquiry the court observed as follows:-

"21. ... So one thing is clear that initially Mr. P. R. Ramesh and Mr. Bharat Sharma were trying to create their monopoly (sic in the AIKF) and for that purpose passed illegal resolutions. Therefore, at present Mr. Bharat Sharma and his supporters (sic Thiyagrajan) are illegally continuing their status as a office bearer of said AIKF, Mumbai. In other words from all above discussion and record before me, I find that now Bharat Sharma is illegally representing himself as office bearer i.e. General Secretary of AIKF, Mumbai with the help of office bearer of AIKF, Tamil Nadu..."

With reference to KAI (**karate Association of India**), please be informed that the domestic and international legal fraternity observed it as a fraudulent establishment owing to the following reasons.



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1. After losing the elections of AIKF on 15th Feb, 2013 at Mumbai, the outgoing illegal office bearers (Mr. Thiagrajan and Mr. Bharat Sharma) hurriedly created this paper entity with NO juridical status in India.
2. In its communication with WKF, it tried to fraudulently manipulate the fact that AIKF has changed its name to KAI whereas they had lost the election and used it as a dirty trick to seek back –door entry into power.
3. Many of you might have received invitation for an event in Delhi under the name of AIKF and discovered it as fraudulent trick to lure members into KAI.
4. There is a probability that the WKF letter of KAI recognition might be of very short-life since AIKF is preparing to go to IOC's CAS(Court of Arbitration for Sports) in Lausanne, Switzerland in the event of failure of WKF withdrawing its patronage to the illegal office bearers of KAI.

It is noteworthy that Sensei Rajeev Sinha, one of the Indian Masters, who is a visiting professor of karate to a number of countries in Europe, North America and Central Asia with many years of experience in handling IOC related issues and conflicts, has agreed in principle to become Advisor to AIKF and pursue CAS proceedings, if needed.

We are going in for a complete overhauling of karate governance to make athletes our top priority and clear up the mess that was created by the outgoing illegal office bearers.

All the members are hereby requested to RESPOND to the followings with immediate.

1. Clarify their membership status and allegiance to AIKF on or before 15th Jan 2014 by paying all dues as on date.
2. Any association with the illegal group that fraudulently established KAI will automatically lose their membership status and the AIKF shall take initiatives to encourage set-up of democratic organisation in their respective states.



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3. There might be style organisations sitting on the edge owing to political compulsion. Though we understand the difficulties being faced by the instructors at the grass-root level, we assure everyone of amicable solution to their problems. Compliance of this deadline is extended to 15th Jan 2014 for such organisations to have ample time for introspection before taking a decision.
4. There could be many style organisations who might think of submitting their decision only if WKF restores recognition, they could definitely do that through re-application for recognition.
5. New era of AIKF shall draw Calendar of Events for 2014 and 2015 during next General Body Meeting during the 26 National Championships.

Should you need any clarification or if you have any suggestions, please feel free to contact us. For further assistance please see official website of AIKF www.aikf.in for further updates.

We look forward to seeing you all at Jharkhand in the 26 National Championships which will be held on 15th Jan to 18th Jan. 2014 .at Jamshedpur, Jharkhand.

Yours truly

Rameshwar Nirvan
President
All India Karate do Federation