



INTERNATIONAL SHOOTING SPORT FEDERATION
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FÉDÉRATION INTERNATIONALE DE TIR SPORTIF
FEDERACION INTERNACIONAL DE TIRO DEPORTIVO

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MINUTES

MEETING OF THE

68th ISSF GENERAL ASSEMBLY

November 30 and December 1, 2018

MUNICH, GER

A G E N D A
for the 68th GENERAL ASSEMBLY
of the International Shooting Sport Federation - ISSF –

Date:
30 November 2018
1 December 2018

Time:
09.00 hours
09.00 hours

Place:
Munich, GER
Hilton Park, Ballroom

Day 1: Friday, 30 November 2018	
1.	Welcome of the Delegates
2.	Roll-call of voting powers and establishment of voting list
3.	Appointment of the:
3.1	Minutes Committee
3.2	Scrutinizers / Election Committee
3.3	Review Committee
4.	Report of the:
4.1	President
4.2	Secretary General
4.3	Chairman of the Technical Committee
4.4	Auditors
5.	Approval of the report of the Auditors and discharge of the Executive Committee
6.	Proposal to approve amendments to the ISSF Constitution, according to the attached document "Proposed Amendment to Art. 1.23 of the ISSF Constitution"
7.	Proposal of the ISSF Executive Committee to elect Mr. Olegario Vázquez Rana as ISSF Honorary President
8.	Awards
9.	Elections of:
9.1	ISSF President
9.2	ISSF Secretary General
	Transfer of authority to the newly elected President and Secretary General

9.3	Four (4) ISSF Vice-Presidents
9.4	Fifteen Members of the Administrative Council (article 1.7.1 of the Constitution)
9.5	Chairman of the ISSF Technical Committee
9.6	Chairmen of the Section Committees:
9.6.1	ISSF Rifle Committee
9.6.2	ISSF Pistol Committee
9.6.3	ISSF Shotgun Committee
9.6.4	ISSF Running Target Committee
9.7	ISSF Judges Committee
9.8	ISSF Statutes and Eligibility Committee
9.9	ISSF Medical Committee
9.10	Auditors
9.11	Honorary Members
	Day 2: Saturday, 1 December 2018
10.	Choice of the country to organize the ISSF World Championship Shotgun 2019
11.	Proposals to approve changes to the ISSF General Regulations, according to the attached document "ISSF Executive Committee Proposals for General Assembly"
12.	Choice of the countries to organize ISSF World Championships according to the decision of the General Assembly under the previous agenda point
13.	Proposals submitted by Member Federations
13.1	National Rifle Association of Pakistan
14.	Report on the preparation of the XXXII Olympic Games 2020 in Tokyo, JPN from 24 July to 9 August 2020
15.	Determination of the membership fees for the period 2019/2020
16.	Miscellaneous

Roll Call

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Nr.		Country	Name of Member Federation	No. of votes	Name(s) of Delegate(s)
1	AFG	Afghanistan	Afghanistan National Shooting Sport Federation	0	Proxy to BLR
2	ALB	Albania	Albanian Shooting Sport Federation	2	Stefan Rrufa (President) Koco Mikerezi (Sec.General) Proxy from LCA invalid
3	ALG	Algeria	Federation Algerienne de Tir Sportif	0	Proxy to RUS
4	AND	Andorra	Federacio Andorrana de Tir	2	Laura Salvans Abetlla (Pres.) Joan Tomas Roca (Sec.Gen.)
5	ANG	Angola	Angola Shooting Federation	2	Francisco L.G. Afonso (Pres.)
6	ARG	Argentina	Federacion Argentina de Tiro	2	Julio Oscar Escalante
7	ARM	Armenia	Armenian Shooting Federation	2	Areg Saribekyan (Sec.Gen.) Ghislaine Briez
8	ARU	Aruba	Aruba Shooting Association	2	Harold Heyliger (Vice-Pres.)
9	AUS	Australia	Shooting Australia	2	Catherine Fettell (Pres.) Damien Marangon (Gen.Man.)
10	AUT	Austria	Austrian Shooting Sport Federation	1	Florian Neururer
11	AUT	Austria	Austria Shooting Fed. Clay Target and Combined	1	Thomas Steinmüller (Pres.)
12	AZE	Azerbaijan	Shooting Federation of Azerbaijan Republic	4	Received proxy from TKM Emin Jafarov (Sec.General) Hafiz Jafarov
13	BAN	Bangladesh	Bangladesh Shooting Sports Federation	2	Nazimuddin Chowdhury (Pres.) Enthekhabul Hamid (Sec.Gen.)
14	BAR	Barbados	Barbados Shooting Council	2	Geoffrey Browne (Chairman)
15	BEL	Belgium	Royal Belgian Shooting Sport Federation	2	Proxy from BEL Clay Lionel Cox (President)
16	BEL	Belgium	Belgian Clay Shooting Federation	0	Proxy to BEL Royal
17	BHU	Bhutan	Bhutan Shooting Federation	2	Jambay Dorji (Pres.)
18	BIH	Bosnia and Herzegovina	Shooting Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina	2	Momcilo Bodiroga (President) Riad Drino
19	BLR	Belarus	Belarusian Shooting Sport Federation	4	Received Proxy from AFG Iouri Arkhipenko (President) Vasili Iourtchik
20	BOL	Bolivia	Federacion Boliviana de Tiro Deportivo	0	Proxy to HON
21	BRA	Brazil	Brazilian Shooting Sport Confederation	2	Alfredo Lalia Filho Cassio Rippel
22	BRN	Bahrain	Bahrain Shooting Association	2	Hamad Alkhalifa (Vice-Pres.) Ebrahim Albinali (Sec.Gen.)
23	BUL	Bulgaria	Bulgarian Shooting Union	1	Maria Grozdeva-Grigороva (Pres.)
24	BUL	Bulgaria	Bulgarian Trap and Skeet Federation	0	Proxy to ITA Volo
25	CAN	Canada	Shooting Federation of Canada	2	Ms. Shari Akow Dr. Susan Natrass
26	CAY	Cayman Islands	Cayman Islands Sport Shooting Association	0	Proxy to ITA Volo (invalid)
27	CHI	Chile	Federacion de Tiro al Vuelo de Chile	1	Pedro Bascunan (President)

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28	CHI	Chile	Federacion Deportiva Nacional de Tiro al Blanco de Chile	1	Juan Carlos Fuenzalida Leiva (President)
29	CHN	People's Rep. of China	Chinese Shooting Association	4	Proxy from MAC Chun Liang (President) Haijuan Yu (Sec.General)
30	CMR	Cameroon	Cameroon Shooting Federation	2	Dieudonne Ayissi (Pres.) Fernand Belibi Edza
31	COL	Colombia	Federacion Colombiana de Tiro y Caza Deportiva	2	Alex Tanaka (President)
32	CRC	Costa Rica	Federacion de Tiro (Costa Rica)	0	Proxy to NCA
33	CRO	Croatia	Croatian Shooting Federation	2	Hubert Kispal (President) Suzana Skoko (Sec.Gen.)
34	CUB	Cuba	Federacion Cubana de Tiro	4	Received proxy from ISV Rafael Guerra Mollinedo (Pres.)
35	CYP	Cyprus	Cyprus Shooting Sport Federation	2	Demetris Lordos (President) Petros Kyritsis
36	CZE	Czech Republic	Czech Shooting Federation	2	Jiri Streit (President) Ivana Ertlova (Vice-President)
37	DEN	Denmark	Danish Shooting Union	2	John Hansen (President) Tommy Sørensen (Sec.General)
38	DOM	Dominican Republic	Federacion Dominicana de Tiro	0	Proxy to GUA Shooting
39	DOM	Dominican Republic	Dominican Republic Clay Target Shooting Federation	2	Received proxy from PUR Clay Jose Mera (President)
40	ECU	Ecuador	Federacion Ecuatoriana de Tiro Olimpico	4	Received proxy from PAN Joselito Padilla Gomez (Pres.) Sofia Bustamante Perez
41	EGY	Egypt	Egyptian Shooting Federation	2	Hazem Hosny Ahmed (Pres.) Mohamed Wahdan
42	ESA	El Salvador	Federacion Salvadorena de Tiro	4	Received proxy from SUR Guillermo Samour (Vice-Pres.) Maria del Carmen de Samour
43	ESP	Spain	Royal Spanish Shooting Federation	2	Miguel Frances Pumarada (Pres) Luciano Porta Gran
44	EST	Estonia	Estonian Shooting Sport Federation	2	Meelis Loit (Sec.General) Riho Terras
45	FIJ	Fiji	The Shooting Association of Fiji	2	Jitendra Mohan (President) Glenn Kable
46	FIN	Finland	Finnish Shooting Sport Federation	2	Vesa Nissinen (President) Anne Lantee (Sec.General)
47	FRA	France	French Shooting Federation	2	Philippe Crochard (President) Hugues Senger
48	GBR	Great Britain	British Shooting Limited	2	John Harris (Chairman) Dr. Hamish McInnes (CEO)
49	GEO	Georgia	Georgian National Shooting Federation	2	Tamaz Somkhisvili (President) Nino Salukvadze (Vice-Pres.)
50	GER	Germany	German Shooting Sport Federation	2	Hans-Heinrich von Schönfels Heinz-Helmut Fischer

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51	GHA	Ghana	Ghana Shooting Sports Federation	4	Received Proxy from NGR Cillian Walsh (Chairman) Ivor Kobina Greenstreet (Sec.Gen.)
52	GRE	Greece	Hellenic Shooting Federation	2	Alexandros Dimakakos
53	GUA	Guatemala	Asociacion Dep. Nac. de Tiro con Armas de Caza (Guatemala)	1	Mario Magnanini
54	GUA	Guatemala	Guatemalan Shooting Federation	2	Received proxy from DOM Tiro Edna Y. Monzon Villatoro (Pres.)
55	GUM	Guam	Guam National Sport Shooting Federation	2	Raffaele Sgambelluri
56	GUY	Guyana	Guyana National Rifle Association	0	Proxy to MNE
57	HKG	Hong Kong, China	Hong Kong Shooting Association	2	Joe Tsi Yang (Sec.Gen.) Shu Ming Cheng
58	HON	Honduras	Federacion Nacional de Tiro de Honduras	4	Received Proxy from BOL Carlos Silva Monterroso
59	HUN	Hungary	Hungarian Shooting Federation	2	György Nagy (President) Laszlo Sinka (Sec.Gen.)
60	INA	Indonesia	Indonesian Target Shooting and Hunting Association	4	Received proxy from PHI Rivat Argoebie Selyana Sofyan Hosen
61	IND	India	The National Rifle Association of India	4	Received proxy from SYR Raninder Singh (President) Venkata Seetharama Rao Damera (Sec.General)
62	IRI	Islamic Republic of Iran	Shooting Federation Islamic Republic of Iran	2	Ali Dadgar (President) Amir Sedighi
63	IRL	Ireland	Target Shooting Ireland	1	Liam Crawford (President)
64	IRL	Ireland	Irish Clay Target Shooting Association	1	Conor Mooney (Hon.Treasurer)
65	IRQ	Iraq	Iraqi Shooting Federation	0	Zahid Noori Gatea (President) Riyadh Kadhim Al-Fahham
66	ISL	Iceland	Icelandic Shooting Sports Federation	2	Halldor Axelsson (President) Gudmundur Gislason (Sec.G.)
67	ISR	Israel	Israel Shooting Federation	2	Itzchak Yonassi
68	ISV	Virgin Islands	Virgin Islands Shooting Sports Federation	0	Proxy to CUB
69	ITA	Italy	Italian Shooting Union	1	Francesco Soro
70	ITA	Italy	Federazione Italiana Tiro a Volo	2	Received proxy from BUL Trap Received proxy from CAY=invalid Alessandro Oliverio
71	JAM	Jamaica	Jamaica Rifle Association	2	Shaun Barnes
72	JOR	Jordan	Jordanian Shooting Federation	2	Hussien Hazza Majali (Pres.)
73	JPN	Japan	National Rifle Association of Japan	1	Kiichiro Matsumaru (President)
74	JPN	Japan	Japan Clay Target Shooting Association	1	Yoshihiro Takahasi (President)
75	KAZ	Kazakhstan	Kazakhstan Sports Shooting Federation	2	Oleg Pochivalov (Sec.General) Tumur Issatayev (Vice-Pres.)

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76	KEN	Kenya	The Kenya Sports Shooting Federation	2	Gurupreet Singh Dhanjal
77	KGZ	Kyrgyzstan	Kyrgyzstan Shooting Sport Federation	2	Salamat Ergeshov (President) Takhir Ismailov (Sec.Gen.)
78	KOR	Republic of Korea	Korea Shooting Federation	2	Dalgon Lee Yangjae Lee
79	KOS	Kosovo	Shooting Sport Federation of Kosovo	2	Gezim Hazrolli (President) Agron Jusufi (Vice-Pres.)
80	KSA	Saudi Arabia	Saudi Arabian Shooting Federation	2	Faris Alsaady (President) Saeed Alqarni (Sec.General)
81	KUW	Kuwait	Kuwait Shooting Federation	4	Duajj Al-Otaibi (President) Obaid Al-Osaimi (Sec.General)
82	LAO	Lao People's Dem. Republic	Lao Shooting Federation	2	Dr. Praseuth Bodhisane (Sec.G.) Lamphieng Phommakong
83	LAT	Latvia	Latvian Shooting Federation	2	Vilnis Celmins Gatis Ignats
84	LBA	Libya	Libyan Shooting Federation	2	Adel Qareesh (President)
85	LBN	Lebanon	Lebanon Shooting and Hunting Federation	2	Boutros Jalkh (President) Antoine Bechara
86	LIE	Liechtenstein	Liechtenstein Shooting Association	0	Proxy to SUI
87	LTU	Lithuania	Lithuanian Shooting Sport Union	2	Algirdas Antanas Kersulis (Pres.) Laura Saucikovaite-Astrauskiene (Sec.Gen.)
88	LUX	Luxembourg	Federation Luxembourgeoise de Tir aux Armes Sportives	2	Marco Fardellini (Sec.Gen.) Natalia Fardellini-Kolodyi
89	MAC	Macau	Macau China Shooting Association	0	Proxy to CHN
90	MAR	Morocco	Moroccan Shooting Sports Federation	2	Dr. Abdeladim Lhafi (President) Mostafa Charif (Sec.General)
91	MAS	Malaysia	National Shooting Association of Malaysia	2	Adam Ching Huat Tee Jasni Shaari
92	MDA	Republic of Moldova	Shooting Federation of the Republic of Moldova	2	Arcadie Bostan (President) Constantin David (Sec.Gen.)
93	MDV	Maldives	Shooting Association of Maldives	2	Mohamed Zahir (President) Ahmed Thohir (Sec.Gen.)
94	MEX	Mexico	Federacion Mexicana de Tiro y Caza, A.C.	4	Received proxy from TTO Pena Jorge (Pres.) Veronica Robles
95	MGL	Mongolia	Mongolian Shooting Sport Federation	2	Lkhamsuren Damdinsuren Munkh-Ochir Enebish
96	MKD	The former Yugoslav Rep. of Macedonia	Macedonian Sport Shooting Federation	2	Vladimir Pandovski (President)
97	MLT	Malta	Malta Shooting Sport Federation	2	Angelo Galea (Sec.General) Stephen Aquilina (Vice-Pres.)
98	MNE	Montenegro	Shooting Sport Federation of Montenegro	4	Proxy received from GUY Zoran Boskovic (President) Savo Milasinovic (Sec.Gen.)

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99	MON	Monaco	Monaco Shooting Federation	2	Alain van den Corput (President) Ms. Fabienne Pasetti (Vice-P.)
100	MTN	Mauritania	Federation Mauritanienne de Tir Sportif	2	Sidine Mohamed Ahid (Sec.Gen.)
101	MYA	Myanmar	Myanmar Shooting Sport Federation	2	Kyaw Moe Win (President) Hnin Ei Kyaw Win
102	NAM	Namibia	Shooting Union of Namibia	0	Proxy to SUD
103	NCA	Nicaragua	Federacion Nacional de Tiro Deportivo de Nicaragua	4	Received Proxy from CRC Robert Mitchell
104	NED	Netherlands	Royal Netherlands Shooting Sport Association	2	Egbert IJzerman (President) Sander Duisterhof (Sec.Gen.)
105	NEP	Nepal	Nepal Shooting Association	2	Pushpa Das Shrestha (Pres.)
106	NGR	Nigeria	Nigeria Shooting Federation	0	Proxy to GHA
107	NOR	Norway	Norwegian Shooting Association	2	Haavard Larsen (President) Arild Groven (Sec.Gen.)
108	NZL	New Zealand	New Zealand Shooting Federation Inc.	2	Ewen Pirie (President)
109	OMA	Oman	Oman Shooting Association	2	Khalid Ali Hamdan Al Jabri (Sec.Gen.)
110	PAK	Pakistan	National Rifle Association of Pakistan	2	Javaid Shamshad Lodhi (Exec. Vice-Pres.)
111	PAN	Panama	Federacion Panamena de Tiro	0	Proxy to ECU
112	PAR	Paraguay	Federacion Paraguaya de Tiro	2	Oswaldo Raul Bergues Battilina Humberto Ortiz Bento
113	PER	Peru	Peruvian National Sport Shooting Federation	2	Francisco Boza Dibos (Pres.)
114	PHI	Philippines	Philippine National Shooting Association	0	Proxy to INA
115	PNG	Papua New Guinea	Shooting Association of Papua New Guinea	2	Betty Wanma
116	POL	Poland	Polish Sport Shooting Federation	2	Tomasz Kwiecien (President) Jolanta Tolczyk (Sports Director)
117	POR	Portugal	Portuguese Shooting Federation	1	Jose Sevivas Marracho (Pres.)
118	POR	Portugal	Federacao Portuguesa de Tiro con Armas de Caca	1	Pedro Manuel da Cunha Mota (Pres.)
119	PRK	Democratic People's Rep. of Korea	Shooting Association The Democratic People's Republic of Korea	2	Chol Jun Kim Chol Ryong Kim
120	PUR	Puerto Rico	Puerto Rico Shooting Association	1	Reinaldo Irizarry
121	PUR	Puerto Rico	Puerto Rico Shotgun Federation	0	Proxy to DOM Plato
122	QAT	Qatar	Qatar Shooting & Archery Association	2	Al-Kuwari Ali Mohammed (Pres.) Majid Ahmed Al-Naimi (SecGen)
123	ROU	Romania	Romanian Shooting Sport Federation	2	Sorin Babii (President) Francesco Repich

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124	RSA	South Africa	South African Shooting Sport Confederation	4	Proxy received from ZIM Hendrik Christiaan Jacobs (Pres.) Hendrik Johannes van der Linde
125	RUS	Russian Federation	Russian Shooting Union	4	Proxy received from ALG Anna Leshchikova (Exec.Direct.) Yury Yuryev
126	RWA	Rwanda	Rwanda Archery and Shooting Sports Federation	2	Emmanuel Sengoga (Sec.Gen.)
127	SAM	Samoa	Samoa Shooting Association	2	Francis Caffarelli (Pres.)
128	SEN	Senegal	Senegalese Shooting and Hunting Federation	2	Mamadou Ba (Pres.)
129	SGP	Singapore	Singapore Shooting Association	2	Michael Vaz (President)
130	SLO	Slovenia	Shooting Union of Slovenia	2	Janez Slapar (President)
131	SMR	San Marino	Federazione Sammarinese Tiro a Segno	1	Giuseppe Mario Muscioni (Pres.)
132	SMR	San Marino	Federazione Sammarinese Tiro a Volo	1	Maurizio Agostini (Treasurer)
133	SRB	Serbia	Serbian Shooting Sport Federation	2	Dr. Nenad Putnik (President) Nenad Petkovic (Sec.General)
134	SRI	Sri Lanka	National Shooting Sport Federation of Sri Lanka	2	Shirantha Peries (Pres.) Pradeep Edirisinghe (Sec.Gen.)
135	SUD	Sudan	Sudanese Shooting Federation	4	Proxy received from NAM Safeeldin Hamad (President)
136	SUI	Switzerland	Swiss Shooting Sport Federation	4	Received Proxy from LIE Luca Filippini (Pres.) Beat Hunziker (Gen.Manager)
137	SUR	Surinam	Surinam Shooting Federation	0	Proxy to ESA
138	SVK	Slovakia	Slovak Shooting Federation	2	Miloslav Benca (President) Jozef Mano
139	SWE	Sweden	Swedish Shooting Sport Federation	2	Robert Walikangas (President) Patrik Johansson (Sec.General)
140	SYR	Syrian Arab Republic	Syrian Arab Shooting Federation	0	Proxy to IND
141	TGA	Tonga	Shooting Association of Tonga	2	Neil Jones (President) Lusia Latu-Jones
142	THA	Thailand	National Shooting Sport Association of Thailand	1	Vasin Boonneung (Vice-Pres.)
143	THA	Thailand	Skeet and Trap Shooting Association of Thailand	1	Bhattacharka Bunnag (Sec.Gen.)
144	TJK	Tajikistan	Tajikistan Sport Shooting Federation	2	Anatoli Aktov
145	TKM	Turkmenistan	Shooting Sports Federation of Turkmenistan	0	Proxy to AZE
146	TLS	Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste	East Timor (Timor Leste) Shooting Federation	2	Dr. Antonio Ximenes (Sec.General) Lourenco de Oliveira
147	TPE	Chinese Taipei	Chinese Taipei Shooting Association	2	Chung-Hsing Kuo Wen-Peng Lee

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148	TTO	Trinidad and Tobago	Trinidad Rifle Association	0	Proxy to MEX
149	TUN	Tunisia	Federation Tunisienne de Tir	2	Tarek Fakhfakh (Vice-Pres.)
150	TUR	Turkey	Turkish Shooting & Hunting Federation	2	Ufuk Arman (President) Melis Giraud (Vice Pres.)
151	UAE	United Arab Emirates	United Arab Emirates Shooting and Archery Federation	2	Rashid Al Hamli (Pres.) Abdulla Al Zaabi (Sec.Gen.)
152	UGA	Uganda	Uganda Shooting Sport Federation	2	Annie Mungoma (President) Ali Nsubuga
153	UKR	Ukraine	Ukrainian Shooting Federation	2	Oleg Volkov (President) Oleksandr Kaminsky (Vice-P.)
154	URU	Uruguay	Federacion Uruguay de Tiro	0	Proxy to VEN
155	USA	United States of America	USA Shooting	2	Keith Enlow (CEO) Pete Carson (Direc. of Operat.)
156	UZB	Uzbekistan	Sport Shooting Federation of Uzbekistan	2	Jaloliddin Atabullaev (Sec.Gen.) Olimjon Makhmudov
157	VEN	Venezuela	Federacion Venezolana de Tiro	4	Received proxy from URU Gerardo Trotta (Pres.)
158	VIE	Vietnam	Vietnam Shooting Federation	2	Van Binh Do (President)
159	YEM	Yemen	Yemen Shooting Federation	2	Abdul-Ghani Ali Al-Wajih (Sec.Gen.)
160	ZIM	Zimbabwe	Zimbabwe Shooting Sport Federation	0	Proxy to RSA
			Number of votes	292	
Maximum possible participation: 160 Member Federation from 147 countries with a maximum of 294 possible votes!					
Participation in GA November 2018 in Munich, GER: 292 votes from 159 member federations!					
<p>During the GA the following changes in the number of votes occurred: President: 292 votes Secretary General and Vice-Presidents: 290 votes (JOR not present) Council (voting round 1): 282 votes (BRN/JOR/KAZ/PER/UGA not present) Council (voting round 2): 286 votes (JOR/KAZ/PER not present) Council (voting round 3 and following): 288 votes (JOR/KAZ not present)</p>					

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			Suspended Member Federations		
1	ANT	Antigua and Barbuda	Antigua & Barbuda Rifle Association		suspended
2	BER	Bermuda	Bermuda Target Shooting Association		suspended
3	BIZ	Belize	Belize Sport Shooters Federation		suspended
4	BRU	Brunei	Brunei Darussalam Shooting Association		suspended
5	DMA	Dominica	Dominica Rifle Club		suspended
6	LCA	Saint Lucia	Saint Lucia Shooting Association		suspended
7	MLI	Mali	Shooting Sport Federation of Mali		suspended
8	SOM	Somalia	Somali Shooting Sports Federation		suspended
9	SWZ	Swaziland	National Shooting Association of Swaziland		suspended
10	TAN	United Republic of Tanzania	Tanzania Amateur Shooting Association		suspended
11	TUV	Tuvalu	Tuvalu Shooting Federation		suspended

**International Shooting Sport Federation
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in Munich, GER on 30 November and 1 December 2018**

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Present

Members of the Executive Committee

Olegario Vázquez Raña	MEX	President
Gary L. Anderson	USA	Vice President
Vladimir Lisin	RUS	Vice President
Luciano Rossi	ITA	Vice President
Yifu Wang	CHN	Vice President
Jörg Brokamp	GER	Chairman Technical Committee
Kimberley Rhode	USA	Chairman Athletes Committee
Alexander Dimakakos	GRE	Member
Kevin Kilty	IRL	Member
Rodrigo de Mesa Ruiz	ESP	Member
Robert Mitchell	USA	Member
Raninder Singh	IND	Member
Franz Schreiber	GER	Secretary General

Members of the Administrative Council

Kerstin Bodin	SWE	Member of the Administrative Council
Yair Davidovich	ISR	Member of the Administrative Council
Helmut Fischer	GER	Member of the Administrative Council
Juha Hirvi	FIN	Member of the Administrative Council
Derek Ivy	GBR	Member of the Administrative Council
Gerardo Trotta Arnone	VEN	Member of the Administrative Council

Chairmen of Section Committees

Peter Underhill	GBR	Chairman of the Judges Committee
Susan B. Abbott	USA	Chairman of the Pistol Committee
Demetris F. Lordos	CYP	Chairman of the Shotgun Committee
Pekka Kuusisto	FIN	Chairman of the Running Target Committee
Antonio Fernandez Arena	MEX	Chairman of the Statutes and E. Committee
Dr. James Lally	USA	Chairman of the Medical Committee

Representatives of the Continental Federations

Hazem Hosny Ahmed	EGY	President African Shooting Confederation
Carlos Silva Monterroso	GUA	President Shooting Confederation of the Americas
Ali Mohammad Al Kuwari	QAT	Nominee Asian Shooting Confederation
Alexander Ratner	RUS	Nominee European Shooting Confederation
Ewen Pirie	NZL	President Oceania Shooting Federation

Honorary Member

Unni Nicolaysen	NOR	Honorary Member
Jacques Trouvé	FRA	Honorary Member
Medhat M. Wahdan	EGY	Honorary Member

Guest

Abhinav Bindra	IND	former Chairman Athletes Committee
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Excused:

Dr. Ahmed N. Al Raisi	UAE	Member of the Administrative Council
Woo Jae Lee	KOR	Member of the Administrative Council
Feng Li	CHN	Member of the Administrative Council
Tomislav Sepec	CRO	Chairman of the Rifle Committee

Minutes:

Franz Schreiber	GER	Secretary General
Peter Underhill	GBR	Chairman of the Judges Committee

ITEM 1 Welcome of the delegates

President Olegario Vázquez Raña welcomed all delegates to the ISSF General Assembly today, on November 30, 2018 in Munich, Germany. He was very pleased that so many federations had sent delegates and it was certainly a record concerning the number of participants. He explained that interpretation is available on the following channels: English 1, Spanish 2, French 3, German 4 and Russian 5.

The President extended a warm welcome to Mr. Niccolo Campriani, a three time Olympic Gold Medal Winner who represents the IOC Sports Department.

Further the President informed the delegates that the ISSF is very sorry to report that the shooting family had lost several great personalities since the last General Assembly in Moscow 2016:

Mr. Gianpiero Armani, ITA
Mr. George Giamarellos, GRE
Mr. Lones W. Wigger, USA
Mr. Björn Schullström, SWE

The President asked all delegates to stand up for a moment of silence. After the moment of silence, the President thanked all delegates and proceeded to the next agenda item.

ITEM 2 Roll-call of voting powers and establishment of voting list

The President gave the floor to Secretary General Franz Schreiber who thanked the President and welcomed all delegates to Munich, the location of the ISSF Headquarters.

The Secretary General pointed out that the ISSF had sent out the first invitation on 11 April and sent a second invitation and agenda according to the ISSF Constitution 2 months before the General Assembly which was on 28 September 2018. The list of candidates for the elections of the officers and Section Committee members had also been sent to all Member Federations.

Mr. Schreiber stated that due to the high number of participants, delegates are asked to sit at their marked tables and observers who informed the ISSF are only allowed to stay in the designated area in the back of the hall. Mr. Schreiber further pointed out that seats for Media representatives were reserved in the right back part of the room and that only delegates may be allowed in the front part of the meeting room.

Mr. Schreiber explained the following proposed procedure in respect to questions of the delegates: If there are questions after an issue is presented, the delegates are asked to raise their hands to indicate that they want to ask a question. The Chairman will take note and register all speakers. All persons who want to ask questions will be given the floor one after the other. After all questions were raised, the answers will follow. The President will give the floor to each speaker who should indicate his/her name and country, followed by the question.

Also Mr. Schreiber explained that the ISSF tries to be more sustainable and therefore the documents which had been copied in the past and mostly left on the desk after the meeting are now available either for download or via USB stick. Each delegate received a file with the agenda, a download link and an USB stick. The USB stick contains all documents including the minutes of the last General Assembly and council meetings.

Further Mr. Schreiber explained that one of the candidates for the election of the ISSF President received anonymous emails in which the author alleged to have information about a plan to assassinate the candidate and/or kidnap his daughter. The author of these emails used an untraceable email account and offered to provide details of the alleged plan upon payment of three bitcoins which was around Euro 15,000 at the time to an anonymous bitcoin account. Upon receipt of such information the ISSF immediately informed the German police about this unbelievable and deeply disturbing scenario and filed a complaint against the author of the aforementioned emails. To our knowledge the police authorities have not yet identified the author of these emails yet. The ISSF can only repeat that it strongly condemns the abovementioned action and that the ISSF will assist the police as much as possible.

Concerning the Roll Call, Mr. Schreiber informed the delegates that the ISSF has 160 Member Federations from 147 countries with a total of 294 votes. The list of all eligible Member Federations is enclosed in the documents.

Mr. Schreiber pointed out that according to the ISSF Constitution, Article 1.6.12, the quorum is 25 per cent of the members including proxies, which means a minimum of 74 votes equaling the presence of 37 Member Federations. Mr. Schreiber concluded that the General Assembly had a quorum because at the present time 292 votes from 159 Member Federations had been registered at the General Assembly. That meant that only 1 federation was not present.

Since no questions were raised, the President thanked the Secretary General and proceeded to the next agenda item.

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During the General Assembly the Secretary General informed the delegates that the roll call has changed several times according to the protocols of the electronic voting system. The exact number of votes possible are mentioned in the reports.

ITEM 3 Appointment of the:

ITEM 3.1 Minutes Committee

The President proposed that the Minutes will be written by the Secretary General and proposes as members of the Minutes Committee Mr. Franz Schreiber, Germany and Mr. Peter Underhill, Great Britain. The President asked if there were any objections. As nobody objected, the Minutes Committee was approved.

ITEM 3.2 Scrutinizers

The Secretary General reported that before coming to the appointment of the Scrutinizers it must be decided how to conduct the elections as it has an impact in the number of Scrutinizers. Since so many candidates and different elections are necessary, the ISSF checked the possibility of the electronic voting systems. The ISSF was pleased to inform the delegates that the company LUMI confirmed that they will be able to conduct all elections with an electronic voting system. The same company has already conducted all votes for the IOC within the IOC Session as well as the election of the IOC Athletes Committee.

Mr. Pete Fowler, one of the representatives of the company introduced the company LUMI and explained in detail the system and how the electronic voting would work. Mr. Schreiber further explained that according to the ISSF Constitution 1.6.13.1 electronic voting may be used if approved by open vote. The ISSF Executive Committee and the ISSF Administrative Council unanimously proposed to the General Assembly the use of this electronic voting system for all secret votes and especially for all votes in regard to elections.

Since there were no questions the President asked for the vote if the use of the electronic voting system is approved by the delegates. The vote showed that the great majority of 290 votes were in favor, 2 votes against and no abstentions. Therefore the electronic voting system was approved to be used in the General Assembly.

Mr. Schreiber thanked the delegates and informed that the nomination of the Scrutinizers is easier as not so many Scrutinizers are necessary. Mr. Schreiber also informed the delegates that the ISSF requested the presence of a notary and Dr. Helene Ludewig from Munich will be present for the elections today. The ISSF Executive Committee and the Administrative Council unanimously proposed to the General Assembly the nomination of the following Scrutinizers:

Mrs. Kimberly Rhode, newly elected Chairman of the ISSF Athletes Committee as Chairman

Mrs. Maria Grozdeva, President of the Bulgarian Shooting Union

Mr. Ali Mohammed Al Kuwari, Nominee for the Asian Shooting Confederation

Mr. Antoine Bechara from Lebanon

Mr. Ibrahim Abdulla Al Bin Ali from Bahrain

Mr. Tarek Fakhfakh from Tunisia

This proposal came unanimously from the Executive Committee and Council but of course the General Assembly was asked if additional Scrutinizers are proposed but Mr. Schreiber wanted to mention that the list was already confirmed by both candidates for President. Since there were no further proposals by the delegates the President asked for the vote and the General Assembly unanimously without any vote against or any abstention approved the Scrutinizers as mentioned.

Mr. Schreiber asked the elected Scrutinizers to come to the front desk where the Lumi representatives are seated to prepare the coming elections.

ITEM 3.3 Review Committee

The Secretary General informed the delegates that the review committee was necessary because the ISSF received a proposal from the National Rifle Association of Pakistan which will be dealt with under agenda item 13. According to the ISSF Constitution Article 1.6.4 a Review Committee that is appointed by the Executive Committee prior to the General Assembly shall examine the proposals of members. The Review Committee reports to the General Assembly. Therefore the Executive Committee appointed the Review Committee and asked them to meet on 28 November. The Review Committee will report to the General Assembly later under agenda item 13.

The members of the Review Committee are:

Gary Anderson, Vice-President
Jörg Brokamp, Chairmen Technical Committee
Abhinav Bindra, former Chairman Athletes Committee
Franz Schreiber, Secretary General
Plus the five representatives of the Continents:
Hazem Hosny Ahmed, Africa
Carlos Silva Monterroso, America
Ali Mohammed Al Kuwari, Asia
Alexander Ratner, Europe
Ewen Pirie, Oceania

ITEM 4 Reports of the

ITEM 4.1 President

The President informed the delegates that as usually, the President's report would start with a video that covers the past two years since the last General Assembly in Moscow, RUS. The video highlighted the ISSF activities and accomplishments over the past two years. The complete video took 24 minutes and started with an overview of the ISSF competitions, starting with the Running Target World Championship in Suhl, GER in July 2016, followed by the Junior World Cup Gabala for Rifle/Pistol and Shotgun in September 2016, the ISSF World Cup Final in Rifle/Pistol in Bologna, ITA in October 2016, the World Cup Final Shotgun in Rome, ITA in October 2016, followed by the 2017 World Cups. The report also included pictures of the 2017 ISSF Junior World Cups and the Junior World Championship which was conducted in Suhl, GER. The President explained in the video that in New Delhi in October 2017, the ISSF had the official debut of the Mixed Team Events approved by the IOC for the Tokyo 2020 Program. These competitions were received with great enthusiasm by spectators, media and online viewers. The ISSF must not stop its process of modernization as new sports and events are advancing, hoping to become part of the Olympic Program. The video also showed images of the very successful ISSF Shotgun World Championship in Moscow, RUS 2017 as well as all World Cups and Junior World Cups in 2018.

A big part of the video showed the great 52nd ISSF World Championship Changwon, KOR which was conducted in August and September 2018. The President reported that the World Championship is not only the most important event in the shooting sport right after the Olympic Games, but this 52nd World Championship in Changwon was of great importance personally to the President as for him, it was the closing World Championship as President of the ISSF and it took place in the same country where President Vázquez had started his career in the ISSF. In addition to the World Championship, two other events took place in Changwon, one was the World Peace and Democracy Forum, which gathered world leaders, intellectuals and experts in the fields of economy, culture and sports. The former Secretary General of the United Nations, Mr. Ban Ki-Moon attended the forum and emphasized the role of sports in contributing to peace. The second event was a beautiful and moving tribute, organized by the ISSF and the Korean Organizers. The tribute contained a very emotional video on the 38-year presidency of Mr. Vázquez. The President took the occasion to thank all participants for this wonderful celebration. He will forever carry these memories in his heart. The report also included images of ISSF Academy courses and informed the delegates, that coaches courses were organized in 61 cities on all five continents.

The video also focused on the meetings of the ISSF Executive Committee, Administrative Council and the Extraordinary General Assembly in June 2017.

The Continental Shooting Confederations were also mentioned and the President was honored to attend several of the continental championships, such as the European Championships in Baku, AZE, where 12 Quota Places for the Youth Olympic Games were awarded. The President's Report also mentioned the Shooting Confederation of the Americas by showing pictures of the recently conducted competitions and championships. The Asian Shooting Confederation was represented with four Asian Championships in the past two years, such as the 10th Asian Shooting Championship. Also the African Shooting Sport Federation was represented by the 13th edition of the African Shooting Championships in Cairo, EGY where over 150 athletes had participated and four Olympic Quota Places for the Youth Olympic Games were awarded. Finally, the Oceania Shooting Federation had held the Oceanian Championships in the Gold Coast, AUS which was also the test event for the Commonwealth Games and the qualifying competition for the Youth Olympic Games.

The President's report then emphasized the Olympic Movement with the 129th IOC Session in Rio de Janeiro in August 2016, where the spirit of solidarity of the IOC was also expressed by the creation of the first refugee Junior Olympic Team. This team represented the millions of refugees that had been left homeless due to war. This was a signal to the international community that refugees are our fellow human beings and an enrichment to our Olympic Family. The highlight of the shooting sport was of course the Olympic Games in Rio de Janeiro, BRA 2016. The video showed beautiful images of these very successful Olympic Games. The Rio 2016 Olympics were emotional, unique, dramatic and vibrant thanks to excellent performances of the athletes. Due to the shooting competitions in Rio, the President had the honor to meet the former Secretary General of the United Nations, Mr. Ban Ki-Moon and President of the IOC, Dr. Thomas Bach who had enjoyed the exciting finals and presented Olympic medals to the winners.

The President's report further informed the delegates about the Association of National Olympic Committees, which is a valid important partner that aims to strengthen the relationship between the NOCs and the Olympic Family. The President had accepted an invitation to participate in the ANOC General Assembly in 2016. The Pan American Sports Organization General Assembly took place in Punta del Este, URU in April 2017 and Mr. Neven Ilic was elected as President. During the IOC Session in Lausanne in July 2017, President Vázquez had meetings with IOC President Bach and several IOC members, reinforcing the ties of the International Federations with the Olympic Family. During this session, the IOC made the historic decision to award two Olympic Games at the same time, namely 2024 and 2028. The President further participated in the ANOC General Assembly in Prague in November 2017 and the 131st IOC Session in Lima, PER in September 2017. At this session, the IOC had launched the Olympic Refugee Foundation, an initiative that emerged from the partnership between the IOC and the United Nations Refugee Agency. During the session, the IOC Executive Board confirmed the place of the shooting sport in the program of the 2024 Olympic Games in Paris, FRA.

The President's report showed the 50th anniversary of the Mexico 1968 Olympic Games, where top leaders of the IOC participated by invitation of Carlos Padilla Becerra, President of the Mexican Olympic Committee and President Vázquez. President Bach's visit was both, a celebration and an opportunity for the NOC President of Mexico to reach important agreements. The 3rd Youth Olympic Games Buenos Aires 2018 were celebrated and also, at this occasion, an IOC Session was organized. President Vázquez summarized in the report that in summer 1979, he was elected as member of the Administrative Council and in 1980, he became President of the then UIT. The same year, the UIT established for the first time in the history of the federation, a Women's Committee. The first step in a process of development that has continued uninterrupted since then. The report further included several important dates, such as the 1994 introduction of electronic targets. In 1990, the electronic targets made it possible for the shooting sport to be modern and dynamic. For the first time, athletes and spectators knew the score immediately after the shot was fired. In 1994, the President was elected IOC Member and from that moment, the President had the fortune to establish a personal friendship with the Presidents of the IOC, Mr. Juan Antonio Samaranch, Mr. Jacques Rogge and Mr. Thomas Bach. These friendships were the key to the progress of stability of the shooting sport within the Olympic Movement. The report showed that the evaluation of the shooting competitions indicated that the Finals had to be improved and many discussions with experts such as the Director of the Olympic Broadcasting Service showed that Finals had to start from zero to create excitement. At the first Youth Olympic Games in Singapore in 2010, the success of the competitions was great and the 2nd Youth Olympic Games in Nanjing included two new events, the 10m Air Rifle Mixed Team and 10m Air Pistol Mixed Team. At these YOG, the ISSF had presented its new elimination rounds in Finals and its Mixed Team Events for the first time. Also music was played in the background to create a celebratory feeling. The ISSF World Championship in Changwon 2018 closed a cycle of 38 years and President Vázquez has led the UIT/ISSF at ten ISSF World Championships as well as ten Olympic Games. The Rio 2016 Olympic Games were one of the most successful Games for the shooting sport and shooting was one of the six sports with the highest number of viewers. Shooting had attracted 12,000 views per hours and around 3.7 million internet searches.

In social media, 7.9 million shares were related to Olympic Shooting, in the Rio 2016 mobile app, shooting had 10.7 million views and 1,200 press articles covering shooting sport were published. The President summarized that he was very proud to know he is leaving the shooting sport strong and safe within the Olympic Movement and it will now be the task of the new President, the new Executive Committee and the new Administrative Council to defend this position and to protect and fight for the sport he loved so much.

At the end of his report, Mr. Vázquez expressed his appreciation to Mr. Franz Schreiber, a man who is hard working and has been tireless since he was elected Secretary General and who represented the President and the ISSF with loyalty and pride. Finally, the President thanked everyone for helping him to make the shooting sport each year more exciting, modern and successful. The delegates gave a round of applause after the video and the President thanked all delegates. Since there were no questions, he proceeded with the next agenda item.

ITEM 4.2 Secretary General

The President gave the floor to the Secretary General who thanked the President and informed the delegates that he had prepared a PowerPoint presentation, which was shown on the screen. Mr. Schreiber reported that after the General Assembly 2016 in Moscow, RUS, the ISSF Headquarters was kept busy with decision of various committees, such as the Executive Committee, Administrative Council, Section Committees and the Extraordinary General Assembly in 2017. In 2016, the ISSF had celebrated the shooting events at the Olympic Games in Rio de Janeiro and Mr. Schreiber gave some statistics of the Olympic Games. 4,400 athletes from 117 nations had reached the MQS. All 390 Quota Places were filled with athletes from 97 nations. The Rio Olympic Games were very successful: 90 nations won medals, which ranks the shooting sport on tenth place of all sports. Eleven shooting athletes were flag bearers. The first medal to be awarded was in a shooting event, which gave the ISSF great media presence. Some outstanding results were achieved, for example by Nicolo Campriani who had won two Gold Medals or Kimberly Rhode, who had won her sixth consecutive medal at Olympic Games and Mr. Jong Oh Jin, who had won his third consecutive Gold Medal. Those outstanding achievements put the ISSF into the limelight and great media response. The Olympic Games 2016 in Rio were extremely successful and magnificent shooting competitions could be witnessed. The IOC figures regarding TV spectators, media and press coverage were extremely good and the ISSF is looking forward to the next Olympic Games in Tokyo 2020, which will again have 15 shooting events.

The 52nd ISSF World Championship in Changwon was well prepared and conducted and excellent results were obtained. 1,710 athletes from 88 nations participated in Changwon with a total of 3,314 starts and about 2,000 officials participated in a total of 102 events. The events contained 50 individual, 46 team and 6 mixed team events. In addition, 7 Target Sprint events were organized with 91 starts from 8 nations. In total, 36 countries were awarded medals which again proves great universality as almost 41 per cent of the participating nations won medals. 21 countries won Junior World Championship medals, which also shows good universality.

The World Championship in Changwon was announced by the ISSF President as the best in ISSF history and he thanked the friends from the Korean Shooting Federation as well as the Organizing Committee and the city of Changwon for these outstanding World Championships.

Mr. Schreiber continued with the Youth Olympic Games and informed the delegates that 562 athletes from 77 nations had 1,197 MQS results. 80 Quota Places were taken by athletes from 58 nations. Medals were awarded to athletes from 24 different nations, representing three continents. Again, around 41 per cent of participating nations received medals, which is a great universality. IOC President Dr. Thomas Bach had visited the shooting venue and watched the mixed team evens with great interest and joy. Mr. Schreiber thanked the friends in Buenos Aires for their excellent preparations and congratulated them on the great success of the 3rd Youth Olympic Games.

Mr. Schreiber proceeded to the work of the Headquarters and started by informing the delegates that the ISSF online registration handles entries for all ISSF Championships, including Continental Championships. The entries show a tremendous increase from around 8,000 entries in 2016 to 12,500 in 2018. The Headquarters takes care of the registration and also the whole preparation, organization and conduct of competitions, such as World Cups, World Cup Finals, and Continental Championships keep the Headquarters busy throughout the year. One of the most challenging tasks is scheduling all competitions into one year. Mr. Schreiber assured that each year, it is extremely difficult to get all championships into the tight schedule.

Anti-Doping is another very work intensive area for the ISSF Headquarters. The work must be in compliance with the World Anti-Doping Code and comprises several topics, such as whereabouts, therapeutic use exemptions, doping controls to name just a few. Educational programs are also of great importance. The number of positive tests have significantly decreased at the national as well as international level. Over the past two years, ISSF had only registered one international and seven national cases. 526 in-competition and 27 out-of-competition tests were conducted in 2018. Mr. Schreiber took the occasion to thank the Chairman of the Medical Committee, Dr. James Lally as well as the ISSF Anti-Doping Consultant Ms. Janie Soublière who worked hard to meet all requirements. Mr. Schreiber also thanked the National Federations for supporting the educational programs and hoped the sport can remain clean.

The daily office work shifts more and more to communication by email. Unfortunately, some persons are not so patient and Mr. Schreiber asked for the people's understanding if emails could not always be answered within few hours. He assured all delegates that the office staff is doing their best to answer all emails as early as possible. The office work also includes accounting and the issuance of judges and coaches licenses. Also many meetings are organized by the Headquarters. In the past years, five Executive Committee meetings, three Administrative Council meetings, one Extraordinary General Assembly, two Judges Committee meetings and around 20 meetings of the various committees. Further, many Ad-Hoc Committee meetings were held which involved rules, electronic target testing, the Olympic Program and many more. Also the annually held Workshop for Organizers must be mentioned here. In 2018, no Workshop could be organized because of the General Assembly but hopefully, there will be another edition in 2019.

The ISSF Academy is a program to support National Federations and to promote the development of shooting by conducting high-level coach training courses. The ISSF Academy 2016 – 2018 had organized courses in many accredited training centers and a total of 27 D Courses, five C Courses, two B Courses and one A Course, three IOC Projects and 16 Olympic Solidarity Courses were conducted. The ISSF Academy creates a great workload in the office but is also very effective by providing excellent support to all Member Federations. The ISSF had organized courses in 36 countries on all five continents. Mr. Schreiber encouraged the delegates to contact the Headquarters if their federation planned to organize a D Course.

Mr. Schreiber explained that there are various kind of supports for ISSF Member Federations. The ISSF provides financial support to all Member Federations to participate in General Assemblies by covering hotel costs. Further, the ISSF Academy trains coaches to develop the shooting sport in their countries. The ISSF grants support to Member Federations for coaches courses in one way or another and any interested member federation should contact the ISSF Headquarters for more details. Mr. Schreiber declared that the ISSF has been working to expand those funds but high unexpected costs came up in the past cycle. It was necessary to have an Extraordinary General Assembly, which had caused costs of around 320,000 EUR. Legal expenses added up to almost 390,000 EUR mainly for Ethics Cases and other issues regarding membership or other legal matters. In the spirit of the sport, Mr. Schreiber hoped that those costs would tremendously decrease. The money should be spent on development and in favor of the sport.

The ISSF representation is very important and the ISSF President and Secretary General had regularly participated in congresses and General Assemblies of all Olympic Movement and multi-sport federations. Many meetings were held throughout the year where the ISSF was represented and it is very important to be active in the Olympic Movement.

In the following, Mr. Schreiber focused on communication, a very important tool and a fair share of the ISSF budget is invested. For many years, communication has been taken over by a professional team, which consists of around 20 persons, among them ISSF Communication Manager Mr. Marco Dalla Dea, ISSF News Editor and TV Project Coordinator Mr. Wolfgang Schreiber, team members from France and Italy, namely Jonathan, Fabio, Stefano and Luigi, ISSF commentators with Shak, Jamie, Rory and Daniel, ISSF TV Distribution Consultant Dominique Curchod, the ISSF Result Provider Team of SIUS and the YAK Agency that takes care of social media, photos, press releases and oversees all communication. The ISSF Communication Team has been working with the same team for many years and great work on all communication channels is guaranteed. The main communication platforms are ISSF NEWS, ISSF TV and social media. The ISSF had covered all competitions in the past year with TV, print and online services, reviews of all ISSF Championships, live coverage of all finals, full length coverage of all finals, interviews with athletes and officials, 24 minute video highlights, summary of championships and 2 minutes video reports of individual events. The ISSF TV productions are distributed through the official website, livestream channel, official ISSF YouTube and YouKu Channel, Eurovision and its partner, ISSF Server and TV Magazine. Mr. Schreiber gave some statistics and informed the delegates that 650,000 users (a rise of 38% compared to 2017) had been registered on the ISSF Website.

240 News articles were published on the Website and 75 Press Releases and Newsletters were sent with a total of 150,000 emails. Previews, Reviews and Daily News of Finals from each ISSF Championship were distributed to 500 TV stations and over 1,000 journalists. Each year, more than 15,000 articles are published worldwide. In 2018, the World Championship Changwon had recorded that 6,700 articles were published and reached a readership of more than 2 billion. ISSF social media platforms have more than 700,000 followers across Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and Weiboo. It was further reported that more than 60 TV broadcasters around the world used ISSF TV coverage in 2017 and 2018. This generated a combined audience of more than 500 million people around the world in 2018. In this regard, Mr. Schreiber thanked MATCH TV and the Russian Organizing Committee of the 2017 World Championship Shotgun in Moscow for their TV Production as well as the Korea MBC TV and the Organizing Committee of the Changwon World Championship all events for the excellent TV production.

Mr. Schreiber went on with the financial situation of the ISSF and reported that the situation is good. The delegates could find the financial reports for 2016 and 2017 under agenda item 4.4. Due to upgrade of the shooting sport from Group D to Group C, the ISSF had received around 17 million US Dollars for the Olympic Games in Rio. This income was divided into four years between the Olympic Games. Depending on the exchange rates, this gives the ISSF a yearly budget of around 4 million EUR. 2017 showed a slightly higher budget but 2016 produced a much more positive outcome and the finances of 2016 and 2017 are well balanced. With special thanks to the President, the ISSF finances are in good order.

Mr. Schreiber informed the delegates that the IOC Agenda 2020 places great importance on good governance and transparency within the Olympic Movement. The ISSF took this priority very seriously and transparency is one of the keys to good governance. The IOC, together with ASOIF and GAISF had conducted two good governance studies and in the first, in 2017, the ISSF ended up in the middle of group B together with 11 other International Federations. In group A were eight IFs and in group C nine. Besides this positive result, ISSF had tried to improve and in 2018, results were categorized again in different groups and ISSF improved. ISSF is now placed among the top ranks of group B and ISSF is certainly one of the best scoring small federations considering the small number of staff. The ISSF in particular improved in the fields of transparency and integrity. However, more needs to be done here and one of the priorities is certainly the necessary change of the Constitution with important modifications, such as the inclusion of term limits for officials.

With regard to memberships, Mr. Schreiber reported that the ISSF had currently 160 affiliated National Federations from 147 different countries of all five continents. 11 National Federations were currently suspended for various reasons.

Mr. Schreiber continued with his report and thanked President Olegario Vázquez Raña for his wise leadership. Without the President, the ISSF Headquarters would not be able to work so efficiently. Mr. Schreiber then thanked all members of the various Committees, such as the Executive Committee, Administrative Council, all Section Committees, all Adhoc Committees and the many helpers and volunteers. Mr. Schreiber stated that it is very nice to have so many people working for the best of the shooting sport and the federation. Mr. Schreiber also thanked all Member Federations because only with the help of all Member Federations and their support, the ISSF can handle all matters.

Mr. Schreiber in particular wanted to thank the ISSF staff, Brigitte, Jan, Doris, Franziska Zeitlhofer, Sarah, Franziska Hanke and Wolfgang as well as the office of the President in Mexico with Grace and Elizabeth. Mr. Schreiber said he had really enjoyed working with all and thanked them for their great help and support which was many times more than a regular job. He thanked all for the dedication to the shooting sport and the ISSF.

Mr. Schreiber then explained in his report that, as everybody knew, he would not stand for re-election as Secretary General and will fall back to the position as Executive Director. In this position, he will only be available for a transition period to provide the new leadership with information and to hand over. However, Mr. Schreiber stated that he had a wish and a dream which is that the strength of the shooting sport in the Olympic Movement should continue and the unity of the ISSF should come back. He therefore requested all to become united again. He also asked all to have only the sport on the agenda and leave the politics out. Mr. Schreiber closed his report with the statement "Only united, the shooting sport stays strong". He thanked all delegates for their attention and wished all the best for the future of the ISSF and the shooting sport. The delegates applauded and the President thanked Mr. Schreiber for his report. Since there were no questions, the President continued with agenda item 4.3

ITEM 4.3 Chairman of the Technical Committee

The President gave the floor to Mr. Jörg Brokamp, Chairman of the ISSF Technical Committee, who thanked the President and promised to keep his speech short as everyone was waiting for the coming elections. Mr. Brokamp referred to his written report in the documents and gave some additional comments. He pointed out that the next goal of ISSF are the Olympic Games in Tokyo and the qualification period had already started with the World Championship in Changwon, KOR where the first Quota Places had been distributed. Moreover, the ISSF is in close contact with the Organizing Committee as well as with the two Member Federations, the National Rifle Association of Japan and the Japan Clay Target Shooting Association. Further, Mr. Brokamp pointed out that the ISSF had worked hard on the reorganization of the ISSF Championship Calendar, which will be presented later that day. The ISSF had also worked hard on the inclusion of Target Sprint and later, the changes of the General Regulations concerning Target Sprint will also be explained. Mr. Brokamp stated that in the last Extraordinary General Assembly, great discussions were held on the future Olympic events and at this occasion, several promises were made. He wanted to make sure the promises are kept and it was possible to participate in the World Cup in the prone event and the World Cup in Munich had organized an additional separate competition for prone shooters. Mr. Brokamp reported that many athletes had participated in those prone events for men and women during the World Cup. For 2019, the first Master Championship is scheduled which will be conducted by the German Shooting Sport Federation. Suhl, GER will be the location of that first Master's Championship from September 8 – 16, 2019. This will be the first World Master Championship, which will of course also include the dropped out Olympic events. Mr. Brokamp further stated that the ISSF is very active in matters regarding environment and sustainability. The ISSF Executive Committee had appointed an Environmental and Sustainability Committee, which is chaired by Mr. Brokamp. That Committee had first met in September. Many items were discussed such as lead. It will be a very important task for the ISSF to make the shooting sport sustainable.

Mr. Brokamp informed the delegates that another challenge is digitalization. Digitalization does not stop at sport and the future of the ISSF and the shooting sport in the Olympic Program will also depend on the common work to solve all these challenges. Mr. Brokamp asked all delegates to support the work of the ISSF and secure the position of the shooting sport on the Olympic Program. It is the common goal to prepare the best possible conditions for the athletes on their way to Tokyo 2020 and beyond. This is also the maxim of the ISSF Technical Committee and it should of course not only be followed by the Technical Committee but by everyone. Finally, Mr. Brokamp thanked the President Mr. Olegario Vázquez Raña personally but also in the name of the Technical Committee for his great leadership. Mr. Brokamp also thanked the Secretary General Mr. Franz Schreiber personally and on behalf of the Technical Committee on his work, efforts and wise decisions. Mr. Jörg Brokamp closed his report by thanking all the delegates and wished the delegates wise decisions for the upcoming elections. The delegates applauded and since there were questions, the President continued in the agenda.

ITEM 4.4 Auditors

The President gave the floor to Antonio Fernandez Arena to speak in the name of the auditors, Mr. Alexandros Dimakakos, GRE and Mr. Fernandez Arena, MEX. Mr. Fernandez Arena thanked the President and informed the delegates that he had been auditor for 34 years now for the ISSF. Mr. Fernandez Arena stated that after 58 years of teaching auditing at the university, and after over 60 years of working in the government as professional auditor, he felt very happy that the money and efforts will be handled in the best spirit and aim of the Constitution. Mr. Fernandez Arena informed the delegates that they could follow his report on the screen. The ISSF financial accounts have four levels of supervision and checking and the first is that a professional accountant prepares all financial accounts. Secondly, Mr. Alfred Reitmeier, chartered accountant and auditor was commissioned to conduct annual audits to be reported to the General Assembly. Thirdly, the ISSF Audit Reports were also submitted to the German tax authorities. They examine the reports each year. The German tax authorities had checked the ISSF expenditures that are not for constitutional purposes. The ISSF could lose its status as registered association and its German tax exemptions if irregularities are found. Fourthly, the ISSF auditors perform independent checkings of ISSF expenditures to ensure that they are according to ISSF Constitutional purposes. Mr. Antonio Fernandez Arena continued in his report that Alfred Reitmeier, the chartered accountant and auditor, had prepared the annual audits for 2016 and 2017 and copies of these reports were provided to all delegates. The reports were also submitted to the German tax authorities for their examinations and no exceptions were reported. Mr. Fernandez Arena explained that as an auditor for many years, he has an overview of the ISSF's financial situation for more than 50 years now. Certainly, he also confirmed that he is following the rules of auditing, which also include comparisons of the various incomes and expenses. Mr. Fernandez showed a diagram with the sources of ISSF income for the year 2017 and reported that it is interesting to see that the ISSF only receives two per cent of its income from membership fees. This is due to the fact that the President and the ISSF always tried to have all Member Federations in good standing. So all applications for a reduction of membership fees were granted. The primary source of the ISSF's income is the IOC subsidy and the ISSF now receives an annual income of 3,995,943 EUR from the IOC. Further, the ISSF receives 456,000 EUR from ISSF Programs, which accounts for around 9 per cent of the income. Mr. Fernandez Arena showed another diagram on the expenses in 2017 and explained that the ISSF personnel

expenses in 2017 were around 825,000 EUR, which is around 20 per cent. However, he pointed out that those expenses also include taxes and in reality, only 10 per cent are personnel expenses. About 13 per cent are spent on administrative activities and 10 per cent on legal and tax expenses. Around 25 per cent are spent on communications, which includes TV, news releases, ISSF News magazine, social media. The expenditures to support the General Assembly and other meetings amounted to 18 per cent and the championship expenses arose to 14 per cent. Mr. Fernandez Arena informed the delegates that the 2016 audit had certified that the structure of the annual account was arranged according to the rules of commercial law. The balance is established in the form of accounts and the order according to § 266, line 2 and 3 of the German Commercial Code was observed. The profit-and-loss account was established in progressive rates according to the total-cost-procedure according to § 266 of the German Commercial Code. Mr. Fernandez Arena stated that the auditors were very careful in the comparison and in securing that no deviations occurred. The 2017 audit certified that the establishment of the annual report statement and valuation of the assets was conducted under strict observance of legal regulations. No objections exist to the organization of the bookkeeping. The report regarding the closing of the books was produced on the basis of the submitted bookkeeping, the submitted documents and the given particulars. The outcome certifies completeness and correctness of given particulars and statements. The annual report was produced under strict observance of the principles of orderly bookkeeping according to the regulations of the commercial law. The ISSF Auditors checked the reports, the accounts and compared the vouchers and the bookkeeping. Mr. Fernandez Arena further stated that there were no accounting irregularities and all expenditures in 2016 and 2017 were made according to Constitutional purposes. Mr. Fernandez Arena thanked the President and confirmed that it was an honor to serve for such a long time as auditor and asked if there were any questions.

The President thanked Mr. Fernandez Arena for his report and since there were no questions, continued with the next agenda item.

ITEM 5 Approval of the report of the Auditors Committee and discharge of the Executive Committee

Mr. Fernandez Arena informed the delegates that the report of the auditors is as follows:

As commissioned, the bookkeeping of the International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) was examined. Assisted with the Technical Reports of the chartered accountant Alfred Reitmeier for the years 2016 and 2017 the entries and payments were compared with the vouchers on a random sample basis. In all cases, perfect conformity was determined. All existing account of the ISSF were at the accountants disposal. The accounting and vouchers are kept in good order. The following proposal is made to the General Assembly in Munich, GER:

Due to the results of the audit of the years 2016 and 2017 produced by the chartered accountant Alfred Reitmeier, discharge can be given to the Executive Committee and the Secretary General.

Antonio Fernandez Arena

Alexandros Dimakakos

Mr. Duaij Al Otaibi, KUW requested to have a secret vote on this issue. It is a financial matter and in his opinion, a secret vote would be advisable. This request is due to the fact that it seems that some elected members receive payments and therefore, Mr. Al Otaibi requested a secret vote.

After the coffee break, the electronic voting devices and smartcards were distributed by the scrutinizers and the LUMI staff. Mr. Peter Fowler then explained again how to use the devices. A test vote was conducted and it was confirmed that the test vote was satisfactory for all delegates. Therefore, the President asked for the vote concerning the approval of the auditors' report 2016 and 2017 and to discharge the Executive Committee and Secretary General. The vote was conducted and the President announced the result:

Votes in room:	292
Valid votes:	278
Abstention:	14
Votes not received:	0
Majority:	140
YES	174
NO	104

According to the vote, the report of the auditors was accepted and discharge to the Executive Committee and Secretary General was given for the years 2016 and 2017.

ITEM 6 Proposals to approve amendments to the ISSF Constitution, according to the attached document "Proposed Amendment to Art. 1.23 of the ISSF Constitution"

The Secretary General reported that the ISSF had good news. The ISSF lawyer and the tax advisor had continued to discuss with the authorities the request for a change in the Constitution. Now, only a few days ago, the ISSF had received the information that no changes are necessary. This is due to many discussions with the authorities. Therefore, the proposal is withdrawn from the agenda.

ITEM 7 Proposals of the ISSF Executive Committee to elect Mr. Olegario Vazquez Rana as ISSF Honorary President

Mrs. Kimberly Rhode, Chair of the ISSF Athletes Committee and Mr. Abhinav Bindra, former Chairman of the ISSF Athletes Committee presented to the ISSF General Assembly the following:

"38 years of service to a sport is a badge of great honor. Today, we are in the presence of a rare leader Mr. Olegario Vazquez Rana who has served the ISSF in the capacity as its elected President since 1980. To put that in perspective, I was not yet born in 1980 and Kim was just a year old. He has served continuously in the office of President with great distinction, being the longest serving President in the federation's history and has chosen to step down from the Presidency by his own decision at this General Assembly.

Our shooting sport has gone through a transformation in the almost 4 decades that The President has led the ISSF Team. Many might remember that the sport did not even have a secure position on the Olympic Program with only six events in 1980. Today, we sit firmly in the Olympic Program with 15 events, with a strong focus on universality and participation within our sport. The sport has been made accessible to athletes from across the world of all age groups and backgrounds and that is visible at every level of competition today.

Leadership of a sport like shooting requires a fine balance between tradition and modernity. New tournaments, formats, events, technology, broadcasting, structures and rules have all been carefully balanced by the ISSF team, with The President's leadership, while also retaining the essence of the competitive sport as one that requires skills of the body, mind and spirit to come together. This is no small achievement and has increased the sport's appeal and stature for participants and spectators alike.

All of these changes have been brought, often in difficult and trying circumstances and situations, with leadership bearing a light touch. While the big picture has always been important, attention has also been paid to the finer details with care and rigor. Athletes like us and leaders of our sport have also been empowered and encouraged to bring ideas, suggestions and innovations to keep our sport fresh, healthy and strong. These are signs of a strong institution with willingness to self-reflect and improve that comes from vision and assurance in leadership style. We owe much to the President not just for his work but also for his open and collaborative spirit which has been a hallmark of his leadership of the ISSF over all these years.

AB: The President has been an Olympian and elite athlete. He brought the same passion for preparation and love for his sport to the administration of shooting. Today, shooting stands as a strong, growing sports discipline and with much credit due to The President's leadership of the ISSF team. While we respect his choice to step down from the Presidency by his own decision, we would like to retain the strong bond that we all share with him and would like to propose that the ISSF confer its highest honor on him.

KR: On behalf of the ISSF Executive Committee and Administrative Council, it is our own great privilege and honor to ask the delegates of the ISSF General Assembly to approve the Executive Committee's and Council's unanimous recommendation to elect Mr. Olegario Vazquez Rana as the Honorary President of the ISSF'.

The delegates applauded and the Secretary General Franz Schreiber asked if there were any objections. Since nobody had any objections, Mr. Olegario Vázquez Raña was elected as ISSF Honorary President by a unanimous decision by the General Assembly with no abstention and no vote against.

ISSF Secretary General Franz Schreiber awarded to Mr. Olegario Vázquez Raña the Honorary President Diploma and Honorary Member Pin. Honorary ISSF President Olegario Vázquez Raña took the floor and gave the following speech:

Honorable Assembly,

Ladies, Gentlemen,

I'm sorry but I'll speak Spanish today. I prepared a speech in English but I prefer to speak Spanish and speak from my heart.

I decided in the year 2014 to retire as President of the ISSF. For 38 years as President, I've done everything I could to make sure our sport was considered one of the best in the world. As you all know, the history of the Shooting Sport has not been easy.

When I was a competitor in the 60s, most of the shooters were between 25 and 28 years old and only family would go to the shooting ranges to watch them compete, if anyone attended at all. I was determined to make our Sport one of the best, with the most spectators in the world because if someone won a World Championship in the International Federation, only relatives and perhaps someone in one's own country would hear about it. However, when an athlete wins an Olympic medal, the whole world knows it and he becomes a national hero.

In 1968, I had the opportunity to meet Juan Antonio Samaranch and he and his wife Bibis, my wife and I became very close friends. I came to the International Shooting Federation and he became President of the International Olympic Committee. And it is thanks to him and Mrs. Bibis Samaranch that the Shooting Sport is part of the Olympic Games.

As you know, there was a very serious problem in Los Angeles in the 1984 Olympics because there were many people in the United States who were against the Shooting Sport and they used their influence to pressure Mr. Peter Ueberroth to keep our sport out of the Games. They tried to make the Shooting competitions take place in Las Vegas. President Samaranch said "Well, alright, so long as there are Shooting competitions, they can take place in Las Vegas." We went to Las Vegas, to one of the largest hotels. They booked us into a suite with a view to a huge parking lot and they said: "This is where the temporary shooting range will be installed. But Las Vegas is a city for gambling and bets would be placed on the shooting competitions and in those days betting on sports was strictly forbidden. I spoke privately to President Samaranch and I told him: "I don't agree with holding the shooting competitions in Las Vegas. They have to take place in Los Angeles." He replied, "You're right. Let's return to Los Angeles." We went back to Los Angeles and we spoke to Peter Ueberroth and other members of the Organizing Committee. Very seriously, Juan Antonio told Peter, "We must have the Shooting competitions here in Los Angeles."

They flew us by helicopter to several sites. And let me tell you something that really surprised me: we flew to a ranch where, as the helicopter approached for landing, we saw there were 1500 to 2500 heads of cattle. When they heard the engines, the cattle started to disperse around the helicopter but once the engines died down, they approached us again, surrounding the helicopter. I started to laugh hysterically and I couldn't stop, so Juan Antonio grabbed my arm and said: "Why are you laughing?! What's so funny?!" I replied, "Because in every country, you're welcomed by Prime Ministers, Kings, very important people, but you've never been welcome by 1500 cows!" It was a very peculiar moment. He then said, "Let's get back in the helicopter." The member of the Organizing Committee that was accompanying us said, "Let's go visit another site" but Juan Antonio said, "No, no, we don't want to visit any other sites." When we arrived at the headquarters of the Organizing Committee, they called in the Vice-president and Peter Ueberroth. Juan Antonio Samaranch very sternly told them: "Either you install the shooting range in Los Angeles or I will cancel the Olympic Games. The threat was so real that the next day newspapers announced Peter Ueberroth had promised that a temporary shooting range would be installed and ready before the Olympic Games. He kept his word and we had some great Olympic competitions. That is where the evolution of Modern Shooting began after the visit of the King and Queen of Sweden to the shooting range. They were there to watch their great Free Pistol shooter Ragnar Skanaker. When

they arrived, he had already shot 2 series and I remember perfectly that in one he scored 96 out of 100 and 98 in the other. They asked, so is he going to win? And I said, "I don't know. He's shot 2 out of a total of 6 series. It'll be another two hours before he finishes, then another hour for scoring, and one more hour in case there are any complaints. It is now 10 am, so around 3 or 4 pm we will learn the results. The King said, "What?! This isn't a sport! I can't wait around that long." At that moment, Mr. Horst Schreiber walked in and I introduced him and said "His Majesty is very upset because this isn't a sport that can be watched; the shooter lifts his gun, shoots at 50 meters and no one knows the result."

That is precisely when we decided to look for a company that could design electronic targets and that was the birth of the Modern Shooting Sport. As you all well know, in the Olympic Games and World Championships, in the Shooting Sport, just like in any other sport in the world, the moment an athlete makes a shot, immediately everyone knows his score.

In the Extraordinary General Assembly that took place a couple of months ago here in Munich, when I was about to read the number of viewers that had watched our competitions, I noticed it was a figure of hundreds of millions, so I only said "Millions of people watched our sport". However, the IOC representative, the Sports Director mentioned the precise figure that was written in fact sheet and I realized that wasn't a mistake. So, our sport is currently one of the most popular sports in the world.

In all these years we have had a great friendship with Jacques Rogge and his wife Anne, with Thomas Bach and his wife Claudia, and these friendships have helped us become as strong as we are in the world of sports. They are people we love and respect very much and who have helped our sport enormously, as have many Members of the International Olympic Committee. I was a Member of the International Olympic Committee for 20 years. And for those 20 years I devoted myself exclusively to working in favor of the Shooting sport. They would sometimes ask me to be a member of this or that commission, to occupy a certain position in the IOC and to the three Presidents I always replied "I belong to the Shooting family. I love the Shooting sport. And I want to do anything I can to help my sport." And for this reason, I feel very proud of the work I have done in the past 38 years.

My family, my wife Maria de los Angeles, I asked her to be here with me for this moment because she has been a very, very important pillar in my life. She has always traveled with me and knows all the shooting ranges in the world. Many of you are young and you know that one can go to a shooting range and there are beverages and water and snacks and they are pretty comfortable. But many years ago, there was absolutely nothing at the ranges. Sometimes, in Arizona or many other places, we would go to the range far away in a mountain, where you couldn't get even a bottle of water. That is why I wish to thank her for her support. The Shooting sport is part of my life and it is a part of the lives of my children and now my grandchildren.

When we had our 100th anniversary, President Jacques Rogge and his wife traveled to Munich to celebrate with us for 3 days. One of my granddaughters, who at the times was around 8 or 9 years old, was wearing her accreditation as we walked around downtown Munich, Mr. Schreiber and his wife, my wife and my grandchildren. One of my granddaughters asked President Rogge "Are you the boss of all the sports in the world?" He replied, "Yes, why?" She said: "Oh, then sign my accreditation, here in the back." He signed and she said "Oh, you're the President? So, from now on I can go to all the Olympic Games and all the sports without paying for a ticket because you signed my accreditation." I'm telling you this anecdote because the President laughed for ten minutes because he couldn't believe a little girl would think of something like that. She was already so passionate about sports.

You know that we didn't used to have Olympic Quotas until the 1988 Games in Seoul, Korea. At that time, President Samaranch called me and said, "Mr. Vázquez, I would like the Shooting Federation to be the first to implement the quota system. You set the number you want, so that all the Federations will follow. We settled on a quota of 440 shooters. Later it was adjusted to 390 and it stayed that way for several years, until it changed to 360 recently, however we are still one of the sports with the highest number of athletes in the Olympic Games and we have one of the highest number of medals, 15 Olympic Gold medals.

Our sport is currently in one of the best eras of all time. I am retiring happy because I have done everything within my power for the shooting sport. Today at this General Assembly we are proud to have several Olympic Medalists:

*Gary Anderson 2 gold medals
Abhinav Bindra 1 gold medals
Kim Rhode 6 medals, 2 gold
Yifu Wang 6 medals, 2 gold
Maria Grozdeva 5 medals, 2 gold
Sorin Babi 2 medals, 1 gold
Niccolo Campriani 4 medals, 3 gold
Nino Salukvadze 3 medals
Eun Chul Lee 1 gold medal*

I wish to congratulate you and please let's give them a round of applause because it is not often that at a General Assembly we have the opportunity to be in the presence of so many Olympic medalists.

When a competitor wins a medal at a World Championship, he's a World Champion, but when you win an Olympic Medal, the entire world knows it and you become a national hero, as you well know. Hence the importance of ensuring that our sport remain strong within the Olympic Movement. The most important thing is that we remain within the Olympic Movement.

Today is the last time I address you as President and I retire happy but at the same time sad because I have considered you part of my family. For 36 years everything was perfect...one or two countries were against me for personal or political reasons, but I respect their reasons, as I hope they respect mine. But I retire knowing I have fulfilled my duties and that I have acted fairly, keeping our friendship in mind. Even as President, my life has mostly been spent with the athletes, at the competitions, walking around and chatting with them. I've been a normal President, a normal approachable person, and I will continue being a normal person. You elected me unanimously Honorary President and if you were to invite me to your countries for no other reason but to meet and say hello, I will gladly travel to your countries to attend competitions and have the opportunity to shake your hand. I love and respect you all. Thank you for your attention."

The delegates applauded loudly.

ITEM 8 Awards

The President gave the floor to Mr. Gary Anderson who informed the delegates that this agenda item is a series of awards to several individuals who have served the shooting sport for a long time and the ISSF would like to award various medals to those individuals. The awardees were announced and received the diploma and medal from President Olegario Vázquez Raña and Secretary General Franz Schreiber. The following persons received an award:

Mr. Reinaldo Irizarry Rodriguez, PUR – Blue Cross

Mr. Irizarry was the President of the Puerto Rican Shooting Federation for more than 20 years. From 1994 to 2004 he was a member of the ISSF Running Target Committee. Mr. Irizarry had served the ISSF for many years, especially on the American continent.

Dr. Lee Dal-gon, KOR – Blue Cross

Dr. Lee was the Co-Chairman of the 52nd ISSF World Championship in Changwon, KOR and served as innovative, dynamic and extremely effective leader of the great 52nd ISSF World Championship in Changwon, KOR.

Mr. Abhinav Bindra, IND – Blue Cross

Mr. Bindra served as Chairman of the ISSF Athletes Committee from 2014 to 2018. From 2010 to 2014, Mr. Bindra was a member of the ISSF Athletes Committee. He is further a member of the IOC Athletes Commission and Olympic Gold Medal Winner of the 2008 Olympic Games in Beijing.

Mr. Wilhelm-Xaver Grill, GER - Blue Cross

Mr. Grill served as member of the ISSF Technical Committee from 2014 to 2018. He was further a member of the ISSF Rifle Committee from 2002 to 2014. Mr. Grill is an innovative and highly efficient Competition Manager in many excellent ISSF Championships and serves the ISSF as Technical Director.

Mr. Jorge Alfonso Pena Soberanis, MEX – Blue Cross

Mr. Pena is President of the Federacion Mexicana de Tiro y Caza, A.C. for eight years. He is a leader in developing world class facilities and made ISSF Championships return to MEX.

Mr. Heinz Helmut Fischer, GER – Blue Cross

Mr. Fischer served in the ISSF Administrative Council from 2014 – 2018. He was a leader in providing the German Shooting Sport Federation's support for many outstanding ISSF Championships and in this capacity served the ISSF excellently.

Mr. Alexandros Dimakakos, GRE – Gold Medal

Mr. Dimakakos served as member of the ISSF Executive Committee and as ISSF Auditor from 2014 – 2018. Further, Mr. Dimakakos was a member of the ISSF Administrative Council from 2002 to 2014 and excellently served the ISSF at many different occasions.

Mr. Helmut E. Bellingrodt, COL – Gold Medal

Mr. Bellingrodt served the ISSF as member of the ISSF Shotgun Committee from 2010 to 2016 and worked a lot on the American continent for the shooting sport.

Mr. Raninder Singh, IND – Gold Medal

Mr. Singh served the ISSF as member of the ISSF Executive Committee from 2014 to 2018. He excellently fulfilled this capacity. Mr. Singh is also the President of the National Rifle Association of India and organized many World Cups and World Cup Finals and did his best to promote the shooting sport in India.

Mr. Jörg Brokamp, GER - Gold Medal

Mr. Brokamp served the ISSF as Chairman of the ISSF Technical Committee from 2014 to 2018. He further served as member of the ISSF Administrative Council from 2010 to 2014 and as member of the ISSF Statutes and Eligibility Committee from 2004 to 2010. Mr. Brokamp is also the Secretary General of the German Shooting Sport Federation and in this position he did a lot in supporting the shooting sport not only in Germany but worldwide and excellently supported the ISSF.

This concluded the awards.

ITEM 9 Elections

President Olegario Vázquez Raña gave the floor to Secretary General Franz Schreiber who explained that the elections of all officers will now follow. Prior to the first election, the one of the ISSF President, the delegates, will receive details on the procedure of the election.

Mr. Schreiber informed the delegates that another test vote will be conducted to make sure that all are familiar with the electronic voting system. However, before the test vote Mr. Schreiber explained the exact procedure for the elections. The delegates received the “Guidelines for the conduct of ISSF Elections 2018” which regulate that there is a special procedure necessary if no candidate or not enough candidates receive the necessary simple majority. However, before coming to the exact procedure the ISSF wished to give further explanations about what a simple majority means and Mr. Christian Keidel made a short explanation pointing out that simple majority is requested for any vote in the General Assembly according to Article 1.6.13.1 ISSF Constitution. Simple majority is more than 50 per cent of the votes cast.

Mr. Schreiber continued in explaining that simple majority is not a new requirement but it had been in the Constitution for almost 40 years now. Since this is a legal, constitutional requirement, the ISSF has no choice as to follow it and it is not open for debate.

Mr. Schreiber continued and pointed out that the Constitution does not regulate how to proceed. Therefore, the Executive Committee discussed it and sent guidelines to all Member Federations. These Guidelines include that in case of a vote for one position and if no candidate receives the necessary majority, the candidate with the lowest number of votes is eliminated from the list and a new vote will be conducted with the remaining candidates until one candidate receives the necessary majority.

In case of a vote where more candidates must be elected for example for the Vice-Presidents where a total of 4 persons must be elected, there are more scenarios possible.

1. If 4 candidates received the necessary majority, the results will be announced for each candidate and the vote is finished.
2. If no candidate received the necessary majority, the procedure as just explained will be used. The candidate with the lowest number of votes will be eliminated and the vote will be repeated. In this case no results will be announced, but only the candidate who is eliminated will be announced with number of votes.
3. If not enough candidates receive the necessary majority, the vote will be repeated and those being elected will be eliminated from the list and a vote with the remaining candidates will be conducted. In this case the votes of elected members is announced but no other results will be announced.

Since there were no questions, the President asked all members of the Executive Committee to step down from the head table and once again thanked all of them for the excellent work during the past years. Now it is time to elect the new leadership of ISSF.

According to the Guideline for the Conduct of the ISSF Election 2018, which are approved by the ISSF Executive Committee, it is proposed that President Vazquez will conduct the election of the President and Secretary General and after these 2 elections the transfer of authority to the newly elected leadership will be organized.

Therefore, it is proposed that President Vazquez and Secretary General Schreiber conduct the elections for President and Secretary General. There were no objections by the delegates to this procedure.

Before coming to the election for the President, Mr. Schreiber explained that any delegate who has problems during voting should raise the arm and somebody will help immediately. It will be secured that all have enough time to vote. Also if somebody wants to have more privacy during the voting, the delegate may go in the prepared voting booth.

The Scrutinizers and ISSF staff distributed the smartcard and 292 votes were registered according to the Roll Call. A test vote was conducted without any problems and the President proceeded to the next agenda item.

ITEM 9.1 ISSF President

The President proceeded and announced that for the position of ISSF President the ISSF received 3 candidates before the deadline. However, the day before the General Assembly the ISSF received a letter from Mr. Boutros Jalkh that he had withdrawn his candidature as President and therefore his name is eliminated from the list. Therefore, there are 2 candidates as following:

Candidate one:

The ISSF has received the proposal for the election of Mr. Vladimir Lisin from Russia.

Candidate two:

The ISSF has received the proposal for the election of Mr. Luciano Rossi from Italy.

Before the election each candidate had a 10 minute speaking time followed by questions of the delegates.

The first candidate, Mr. Vladimir Lisin, RUS was given the floor. Mr. Lisin thanked the President and stated that many of the delegates already know Mr. Lisin but some had met him only a short while ago. Mr. Lisin referred to his written program which was published on November 3, 2018 and which he does not want to repeat as the delegates know it. Mr. Lisin explained that he did not have any plans to move the ISSF Headquarters. However, he plans to move the Headquarters to a new building but in the vicinity of Munich. He also plans to keep the staff that would like to continue working for him. Mr. Lisin further stated that the list of candidates contains many names which are well known and he would like to make sure that their experience can be used so he will create additional Committees. He will also ask all Member Federations for their opinions regarding various questions that will come up. Mr. Lisin will try to get as many opinions as possible. Some of Mr. Lisin's top priorities are marketing, TV and promotion, modifications and innovations, preparation and work with the industries. The ISSF should continue to have a strong position in the Olympic Movement. Mr. Lisin further explained that he wishes to establish more contact with the Member Federations and to increase their role.

Further, he wants to put more weight on the work of the continents. He and his team will try to support each Member Federation which is willing to work for the shooting sport and to develop it. Mr. Lisin plans to initiate a Development Program to support Member Federations and athletes. The ISSF will try to arrange educational courses, coaches courses and other projects to strengthen the shooting sport in the countries. Further, technical support will be given to Member Federations. The ISSF will not aim to increase the number of Member Federations but the quality of the shooting sport in the countries. It is of course intended to increase the participation of countries at Olympic Games but also the quality of the sport. It should be tried to increase the competition level, the spectators, and the sponsors. Mr. Lisin explained that he tries to strengthen the cooperation with the industry and only two day ago, he had a very productive meeting with representatives of the industry. The cooperation will be enhanced and the industry must know the plans of the ISSF to support these ideas. Further, Mr. Lisin stated that he will try to be a leader who respects the Member Federations and supports them. He does not want to be the one making decisions but he will coordinate and work together with Member Federations and continental confederations. Mr. Lisin explained that he kindly asks for the support of the delegates in the best interest of the shooting sport. Finally, Mr. Lisin stated that he, as a business man, had created a business with clay targets some years ago called NLMK as well as the ammunition company Glavpatron. Finally, Mr. Lisin thanked all delegates for their attention.

Mr. Sorin Babii, President of the Rumanian Shooting Sport Federation asked regarding the wish to increase the importance of the continental confederations, that he had recently made the proposal to not elect the Vice-President any more but that they should rather be nominated by the various continental confederations. Mr. Sorin Babii asked if Mr. Lisin would support this proposal if he will be elected as President.

Mr. Lisin replied that this would require a change in the Constitution.

Another question was raised concerning doping matters. Since Mr. Lisin is from Russia, and there were many discussions concerning the doping issue in Russia, he wanted to know Mr. Lisin's stance. Mr. Lisin answered that he considers this questions not only a Russian problem and that it has very little to do with the shooting community. As Vice-President of the Russian Olympic Committee, Mr. Lisin was elected into the commission to deal with this problem and he was also a member of the independent anti-doping commission. Mr. Vitaly Smirnov was the leader of that commission and Mr. Lisin was his assistant. This Commission worked very hard and the Commission changed the legislation and doping was included in the crime offences. The Commission also changed legal aspects regarding the authority of the federations and a report was created for the IOC. Both, the IOC and WADA were very positive regarding the report.

Since there were no further questions, the President asked Mr. Luciano Rossi to take the floor.

Mr. Rossi thanked the President and also thanked the delegates for their every-day commitment to the shooting sport. Mr. Rossi informed the delegates that this General Assembly is a historical one. The presence of so many delegates and federations is prove. Mr. Rossi stated that there are serious threats to the shooting sport and the ISSF needs a real and proper change. The shooting sport family must face and solve the problems. The International Federation deserves a more dynamic, transparent management and all stakeholders should be involved.

The federations, coaches, athletes should be actively included. For too long, the National Federations had been left alone. The firearm disciplines have to be supported and the National Federations need support to overcome economic difficulties that all are facing. The ISSF needs also to be prepared for environmental issues. The International Federation needs to be transparent, needs to fight for the continuation of firearm disciplines in the Olympic Movement and also needs to fight for the continuation of the shooting sport in the Commonwealth Games. Now it is time to look all together into the future in the best interest of the sport and all opinions will be included and taken care of. Further, Mr. Rossi wanted to make sure that economic support will be given to all federations to invest in technology and facilities to get rid of monopolies which will enable all Member Federations to go to the best suppliers at the lowest costs. Mr. Rossi further confirmed that he will secure to have a technical office for any questions. The office will be reorganized to ensure competence. New key officials will be appointed for a transparent financial control. Mr. Rossi further confirmed that he will work with the IOC and the Olympic Movement for the best benefit of the Olympic Agenda 2020. Further, Mr. Rossi stated that he will defend the ideas and ideals of the shooting sport. Mr. Rossi also stated that all regulations will be renewed to make them clearer, simpler and more effective. Further, Mr. Rossi plans to make investments in the shooting sport to secure its future. This is the very ambitious goal, which is not easy to achieve but can be reached together. Mr. Rossi then showed a short video about his life, which is devoted to the shooting sport. Mr. Rossi continued in stating that it is now the time to elect the new leadership and the delegates have it in their hands. He assured the delegates he will always be available and support all federations and wishes the ISSF a long life. Mr. Rossi informed the delegates that his family owns a hotel in Umbria which is used by some shooters.

The delegate of the National Rifle Association of India asked if Mr. Rossi could explain the threats against him and what the present status of these threats are. Mr. Rossi thanked him for the questions and said he preferred to speak in Italian. Mr. Luca Minelli translated. Mr. Minelli said the threats against Mr. Rossi were immediately reported to the Italian police and in the meantime, another threat and email has reached Mr. Rossi during this General Assembly. Mr. Rossi very much appreciated the introduction notice of Mr. Schreiber and the closeness of President Olegario Vázquez Raña regarding the personal threats received by Mr. Rossi and the members of his family.

The delegate of the National Rifle Association of India further asked Mr. Rossi about the status of these threats. Mr. Rossi replied that the threats are under investigation by the Italian and German police. He was threatened that in case he continued to be a candidate, he would be assassinated and his daughter Fiametta could be kidnapped or killed. Mr. Rossi said the investigations are ongoing.

The delegate of the Irish Clay Target Shooting Association asked Mr. Rossi if he could explain the development regarding the firearm legislation, as he had mentioned in his program that he wanted to strengthen the Youth Olympic Games. Further, he asked about Mr. Rossi's ambitions for the Youth Olympic Games. Mr. Rossi answered that Mr. Olegario Vázquez Raña very well knows the position of Mr. Rossi regarding the Youth Olympic Games: Firearms should be included in the Program of the Youth Olympic Games and of course also policies should be implemented to secure that firearms can be transported and handled by the participants and the youth.

Mr. Rossi further explained he will try to find a solution with IATA concerning the transport of firearms and ammunition. Recently, he had already had a meeting with IATA. It might not be easy to find a solution but together, they can do it.

Mr. Trotta, President of the Federacion Venezolana de Tiro stated that it is known that Mr. Rossi was part of an investigation of the ISSF Ethics Committee and there was a decision of that Ethics Committee as well as a decision of the Court of Arbitration. Mr. Trotta wanted to know if Mr. Rossi believes that he is still subject of the Ethics Committee after the decision of the court of Arbitration. Mr. Rossi replied that the Court of Arbitration had decided to reduce the 3-year suspension to 20 weeks. This concluded the case and it is now closed.

Mr. Dieudonne Ayissi, delegate of the Cameroon Shooting Federation pointed out that the shooting sport on the African continent is not very popular and it is very much appreciated that Mr. Rossi wants to boost popularity and the participation of African countries. The delegate proposed to cooperate with the IOC to increase awareness on the African continent and to work together with the IOC also regarding firearms and other fields. Mr. Rossi thanked for the questions, which are very delicate and are part of his program which was distributed prior to the General Assembly. One of Mr. Rossi's major ideas is to strengthen and support each and every National Federation.

Mrs. Nino Salukvadze, delegate of the Georgian National Shooting Federation stated that the post of the ISSF President is a very important job and requires an independent person. At the beginning of Mr. Rossi's speech, it was explained that he wanted to increase the role of Member Federations and he wanted to know what Mr. Rossi, who was ISSF Vice-President for many years, had done during Vice-Presidency.

Mr. Rossi replied that first of all, he wanted to praise the work of the 38 years of President Vázquez. At the same time, he had always worked honestly and supported the ISSF. However, Mr. Rossi is convinced that much more has to be done.

Mr. Rafael Guerra Mollinedo, delegate of the Federacion Cubana de Tiro stated that the Court of Arbitration (CAS) had found Mr. Rossi guilty of serious breaches against the ISSF Code of Ethics. He therefore wanted to know if Mr. Rossi can still become ISSF President? Mr. Rossi answered that the Court of Arbitration had cleared the matter and that Mr. Rossi was a victim and CAS had decided to reduce the sanction from three years to only 20 weeks. So the matter was cleared by CAS.

Mr. Raninder Singh, President of the National Rifle Association of India stated that he had very much respect but on the other hand, CAS not only reduced the suspension period tremendously but also increased the fine Mr. Rossi had to pay. Further, Mr. Singh stated that he is afraid that the shooting sport would suffer severe restrictions particularly regarding the Commonwealth Games. Mr. Singh asked if Mr. Rossi believes that he is still a suitable person for the job as ISSF President from the IOC's point of view considering the fact that he had breached the Code of Ethics. Mr. Rossi thanked Mr. Singh for the question and for the reminder about the problems regarding the inclusion in the Commonwealth Games 2022. Mr. Rossi stated that he personally had attended the Commonwealth Games 2018 in Australia and did his best to secure the presence of the shooting sport. All other matters that were raised by Mr. Singh had been clearly addressed in the detailed decision of the Court of Arbitration. The decision also states that the allegations are a personal will of the Executive Committee against Mr. Rossi. This concluded the questions. In the following, the vote was taken by the electronic voting system. The Chairman of the Scrutinizers brought the result to Mr. Vázquez who announced the result:

Votes in the room:	292
Valid votes:	292
Abstentions:	0
Votes not received:	0
Majority:	147
Vladimir Lisin	148 (elected)
Luciano Rossi	144

Consequently, Mr. Vladimir Lisin was elected as ISSF President by a simple majority.

Mr. Olegario Vázquez Raña congratulated Mr. Vladimir Lisin on his election as ISSF President and asked him to take the floor. Mr. Lisin thanked all delegates very much for their trust and said he would do his best.

ITEM 9.2 ISSF Secretary General

For the office of the ISSF Secretary General the ISSF received proposals for 5 candidates. However, the day before the General Assembly the ISSF received a withdrawal from Mr. Safeeldin Hamed from Sudan and therefore his name was eliminated from the list. This means there are 4 valid candidates as following:

Candidate one:

The ISSF has received a proposal for Mrs. Melis Giraud from Turkey.

Candidate two:

The ISSF has received a proposal for Mr. Javaid Shamshad Lodhi from Pakistan.

Candidate three:

The ISSF has received a proposal for Mr. György Nagy from Hungary.

Candidate four:

The ISSF has received a proposal for Mr. Alexander Ratner from Russia.

Before the election each candidate had a 10 minute speaking time followed by questions of the delegates.

The Honorary President gave the floor to the first candidate, Mrs. Melis Giraud, TUR. Mrs. Giraud thanked the Honorary President congratulated the newly elected President Mr. Vladimir Lisin. Mrs. Giraud explained she was very excited not only because of her own candidacy but for the entire ISSF with this important and historic day for the future of the ISSF. Further, Mrs. Giraud expressed her thanks and appreciation to Olegario Vázquez Raña for his excellent work of three decades as well as Mr. Franz Schreiber, ISSF Secretary General and the entire Executive Committee, Administrative Council, Section Committees as well as the office team.

She thanked all for the excellent work and preparation of this meeting. Mrs. Giraud informed the delegates that presently, she holds the position of Vice-President of the Turkish Shooting and Hunting Federation as well as until that day, she was a member of the ISSF Shotgun Committee. Mrs. Giraud said she was deeply honored to be nominated from her home federation, the Turkish Shooting and Hunting Federation for the position as ISSF Secretary General and to speak before this honorable General Assembly. Mrs. Giraud reminded the delegates that gender equality is a major matter and the shooting sport would benefit from her as a female candidate. Mrs. Giraud explained that she grew up with the shooting sport as it was the center of her family. Mrs. Giraud said she knows the shooting sport and has a prediction in which direction the shooting sport may go in the future. She is ready to do whatever is necessary to help the shooting sport and support the shooting sport for the future. She further believed in the ISSF. She will do the best to support the leader in the best interest of the shooting sport. The shooting sport is facing difficult challenges, such as the Commonwealth Games, Agenda 2020, the development of Member Federations and she confirmed that she believes that only a professional office can deal with all these challenges. She believes that she could contribute with her experience as an athlete, as a coach, as an official, as a Vice-President and as a mother so she had decided to stand for the position as ISSF Secretary General.

Mrs. Giraud wished all candidates the best of luck and was available for any questions. However, prior to coming to the questions, she wanted to give some details about her life and she presented some photos to the delegates. Mr. Giraud showed some photos and explained that she had the pleasure and luck to be together with her father. For business reasons, she then had to stop the shooting sport and had her last competition in the year 2009. Afterwards, life as an official started. Mrs. Giraud participated in the organization of the World Cup Final in Izmir, she became an ISSF Judge and participated in many competitions as Jury Member. Mrs. Giraud informed the delegates that she was then elected as Vice-President of the Turkish Shooting and Hunting Federation and is holding this position until that day. In 2016, Mrs. Giraud was elected as member of the ISSF Shotgun Committee. Mrs. Giraud explained that the election will bring the ISSF a new beginning for all stakeholders and the shooting sport is ours and we have to take the chance to make the shooting sport more popular. Mrs. Giraud stated that in her opinion, it is only possible to succeed if all work together. It is also necessary to have an excellent office which works effectively and as a team. A good office also leads to good governance and we all have to follow these rules of good governance. It is further possible to work for these goals by strengthening the relations to international bodies, promote media coverage, be open for innovative technologies, for new formats and be with the youth and gender equality. It is further necessary to work on the rules and the ISSF Constitution and try to establish transparency and pay attention to solidarity, anti-doping, education and helping all Member Federations. Mrs. Giraud stated that she is standing for the future of the shooting sport by putting the athletes first and respecting all who help develop the shooting sport. Mrs. Giraud finished her presentation by wishing all candidates the best of luck and thanked all delegates for their time, attention and support.

Mr. Vázquez thanked Mrs. Giraud and since there were no questions, he asked the next candidate, Mr. Javaid Shamshad Lodhi to take the floor. Mr. Lodhi stated that it is a great honor for him to speak in front of such an honorable General Assembly with so many dedicated persons to the shooting sport. Mr. Lodhi wanted to share with the delegates the major priorities for the next four years in the ISSF. The first point in Mr. Lodhi's opinion is the supremacy of the General Assembly.

Mr. Lodhi feels that all stakeholders and all Member Federations need to be deeper involved in the decision making of important matters. Their suggestions should not only be welcomed but they should be encouraged to give their suggestions, which will help ISSF to make better decisions in the future. The second point for Mr. Lodhi are the athletes. They need to be in the heart of any decision. Mr. Lodhi believes that the athletes must be deeply involved in any decision, especially regarding questions on rules in the sport. Any rule changes are very important and in some sports, the change of the Constitution requires a two-third majority and changes in the sport need a three-quarters majority. Mr. Lodhi believes that coaches and athletes need to be involved in all changes regarding the sport as they are the ones who either benefit or suffer from those changes. The third of Mr. Lodhi's important points refers to good governance according to the IOC Agenda 2020. Good governance is the most important requirement of the Agenda 2020 and according to Mr. Lodhi, the ISSF did not achieve a good result in good governance according to a survey carried out in 2015. In this survey, ISSF ranked very low and Mr. Lodhi was pleased to hear that ISSF could improve the ranking and is now on place 11 in good governance. However, Mr. Lodhi wished to see ISSF the best. Another important point refers to transparency. Again, this issue is part of the IOC Agenda 2020.

In Mr. Lodhi's opinion, it is necessary to not only open the windows but to also let the fresh air in for transparency. Transparency will also bring more credibility. The sixth point involves independent financial control. According to the ISSF Constitution, the ISSF Secretary General is also the Treasurer and Mr. Lodhi says that in other International Federations, there is either an independent Treasurer or a Finance Committee chaired by a Vice-President. There are also independent Auditor Committees and according to Mr. Lodhi, it is better to follow the example of other International Federations and to have independent Auditor Committees. The next point is gender equality. Mr. Lodhi truly believes in gender equality. Gender equality should not only be observed at Olympic Games for athletes but the Constitution also requires that one female member must be elected into the Section Committees. Mr. Lodhi thinks that this is not enough and must be increased. The ISSF should have an independent Statutes and Discipline Committee which should consist of retired judges and lawyers of all five continents. This would give more credibility to the decisions. The next point Mr. Lodhi mentions is that the ISSF should play an effective role in the development of the shooting sport. Special awareness and funds should be provided to the development of the shooting sport. In countries where the shooting sport is not that much developed, the infrastructure should be improved, a Training Academy should be established on all five continents in collaboration with the Continental Confederations and the ISSF should also have funds to support athletes who would otherwise not be able to participate and compete. Another important point for Mr. Lodhi are term limits and a maximum age for the President and Secretary General which Mr. Lodhi believes is necessary. Finally, the last important point refers to the revision of the ISSF Constitution. The present Constitution should be revised and the ISSF Constitution should be a sample for all National Federations as the Constitution should include all necessary requirements from the IOC Agenda 2020. It should have principles of democracy, fairness, solidarity, transparency and should not only be a model for all other federations but also for all other international federations. At the end, Mr. Lodhi wanted to thank all for giving him the opportunity to speak and confirmed that any decision the delegates will make will be a correct decision. However, Mr. Lodhi can only promise that he will never let the shooting sport down. He thanked all delegates.

Mr. Yair Davidovich wanted to point out that all Secretary Generals have to remember that they have to do what the General Assembly requires them to do. Of course they can have opinions and ideas but they have to fulfill the requirements of the General Assembly.

Since there were no further questions, Mr. Vázquez thanked Mr. Lodhi and asked Mr. György Nagy, the next candidate to take the floor. Mr. Nagy thanked for the opportunity to speak and congratulated the newly elected ISSF President Mr. Vladimir Lisin. Mr. Nagy reminded all that at least in his opinion, the ISSF is now again one family with one President and we can unify our team and work together for a stronger shooting sport within the Olympic Movement. Mr. Nagy had prepared a program but decided not to share it with the delegates as he had decided to withdraw his candidacy as Secretary General after Mr. Lisin had been elected President of the ISSF. Mr. Nagy stated that he is a member of the presidium of the European Shooting Confederation and could witness how excellently Mr. Lisin and Mr. Ratner work together. And as Mr. Ratner is a candidate for the position as Secretary General he should be the obvious choice and Mr. Nagy therefore decided to resign. However, Mr. Nagy will still stand for election as a member of the Administrative Council and hoped for support in that position.

Mr. Vázquez thanked Mr. Nagy and informed the delegates that Mr. Nagy's name will be eliminated from the list of candidates for the position as Secretary General.

Mr. Vázquez gave the floor to Mr. Alexander Ratner. Mr. Ratner stated that it is a great honor for him to address his views and appeal for support for his candidature as Secretary General. Mr. Ratner explained that he might disappoint the one or other candidate but in his opinion, the program of the newly elected President is enough for the ISSF. The mission of the Secretary General, in his opinion, is to serve the ISSF, the Member Federations and the President. The Secretary General must fulfill the decisions of the General Assembly and not create own goals which might not be included in the program of the President. Mr. Ratner stated that he was never a high performance athlete nor is he a businessman, but he has been spending all his life in the Olympic Movement ever since he had graduated from university in 1977. Mr. Ratner had worked over 25 years with IOC President Juan Antonio Samaranch and in 2001, he had received the Olympic Order from the IOC. He had been a member of the Press Committee of the IOC until 2013 and since 2014 he is a member of the IOC Active Society Committee. For Mr. Ratner, the most important matter is that whoever wins this election is doing the best for the shooting sport. Mr. Ratner, as Secretary General of the European Shooting Confederation confirmed that the shooting sport must be a team to work well for the main goal: promoting the shooting sport within the Olympic Movement. Mr. Ratner explained to the delegates that he speaks Russian, Spanish and German. He lives in Frankfurt and is a German citizen and willing to do everything he can that shooting stays one of the top sports in the Olympic Movement.

Mr. Vázquez thanked Mr. Ratner and Mr. Schreiber summarized that three candidates are standing for the position of Secretary General. Candidate one is Mrs. Melis Giraud from Turkey, candidate two is Mr. Javaid Lodhi, from Pakistan and candidate three is Mr. Alexander Ratner from Russia. Mr. Schreiber explained that the roll call had changed as one federation had left and therefore, a total of 290 votes were available.

The President asked for the vote and all delegates had the possibility to vote.

The vote was conducted and the result was given by the Chairman of the Scrutinizers to President Vazquez who announced the result:

Votes in Room:	290
Valid votes:	282
Abstentions:	7
Votes not received:	1
Majority:	142
Alexander Ratner, RUS	161 elected
Melis Giraud, TUR	85
Javaid Shamshad Lodhi, PAK	36

The President congratulated the newly elected Secretary General and Mr. Ratner said some words to the delegates.

The President invited the newly elected President and Secretary General to the headtable and asked both to speak the oath:

“I declare that I will serve solely in the interest of the International Shooting Sport Federation – ISSF. I will respect the ISSF Constitution and Rules at all times and will ensure that such Regulations are followed and enforced by all stakeholders with the ISSF. I will devote the time necessary to fulfil all my duties in accordance with the ISSF Constitution for the best development of the worldwide Shooting Sport.”

The newly elected President and Secretary General signed the documents prepared by the notary Dr. Helene Ludewig and the authority was transferred from President Vazquez and Secretary General Schreiber to the newly elected President Vladimir Lisin and Secretary General Alexander Ratner who from now on preside this General Assembly.

A coffee break was announced.

ITEM 9.3 Four (4) Vice-Presidents

President Vladimir Lisin once again thanked all delegates and informed them that more work was waiting for them before the end of the day. Before coming to the election, the President asked the representative of the company LUMI to explain the election procedure once again in case there is a multiple election, such as for the four Vice-Presidents. Mr. Fowler explained that first of all, the smartcards needed to be re-distributed. The scrutinizers were asked to re-distribute the smartcards to the delegates according to the roll call.

Mr. Alexander Ratner, newly elected Secretary General informed the delegates that the time was already advanced and the dinner was waiting. He therefore proposed to conduct the election of the Vice-Presidents and then stop after these elections. The remaining elections would then be conducted the following day. This proposal was unanimously approved. After the smartcards were distributed, Mr. Fowler from the company LUMI explained the procedure on how to vote for a multiple position and a test vote was conducted. After the test vote, no delegate had a question on the electronic voting system. One delegate asked to announce the results of all candidates, no matter if they were or were not elected. The Secretary General confirmed that all results would be announced.

Since there were no further questions, the vote for the Vice-Presidents was conducted and the Secretary General announced that 15 candidates were running as Vice-Presidents. The list of candidates was as follows:

- Mr. Hazem Hosny Ahmed, EGY
- Mr. Duajj Al-Otaibi, KUW
- Dr. Ahmed Nasser Al Raisi, UAE
- Mr. Lionel Cox, BEL
- Mr. Munkh-Ochir Enebish, MGL

- Mrs. Catherine Fettell, AUS
- Mr. Egbert IJzerman, NED
- Mr. Glenn Kable, FIJ
- Mr. Kevin Kilty, IRL
- Mr. Pekka Kuusisto, FIN
- Mr. Robert K. Mitchell, USA
- Mr. Enkhbold Nyamaa, MGL
- Mrs. Tungalag Purevsambuu, MGL
- Mr. Raninder Singh, IND
- Mr. Yifu Wang, CHN

The Secretary General asked if any of the candidates wanted to take the floor. Since no candidate wanted to take the floor, the President proceeded with the vote.

The vote was taken and President Lisin announced the results:

Votes in Room:	290
Valid votes:	290
Abstentions:	0
Votes not received:	0
Majority:	146

Raninder Singh, IND	135
Kevin Kilty, IRL	131
Robert K. Mitchell, USA	131
Yifu Wang, CHN	131
Duaij Al-Otaibi, KUW	126
Catherine Fettell, AUS	112
Hazem Hosny Ahmed, EGY	92
Lionel Cox, BEL	69
Pekka Kuusisto, FIN	52
Egbert IJzerman, NED	27
Dr. Ahmed Nasser Al Raisi, UAE	15
Glenn Kable, FIJ	13
Munk-Ochir Enebish, MGL	5
Tungalag Purevsambuu, MGL	5
Enkhbold Nyamaa, MGL	2

Since no candidate had reached the simple majority, the candidate with the lowest number of votes was eliminated. Therefore, Mr. Nyamaa from Mongolia was eliminated.

Consequently, the updated list of candidates was as follows:

- Mr. Hazem Hosny Ahmed, EGY
- Mr. Duaij Al-Otaibi, KUW
- Dr. Ahmed Nasser Al Raisi, UAE
- Mr. Lionel Cox, BEL
- Mr. Munkh-Ochir Enebish, MGL
- Mrs. Catherine Fettell, AUS
- Mr. Egbert IJzerman, NED
- Mr. Glenn Kable, FIJ
- Mr. Kevin Kilty, IRL
- Mr. Pekka Kuusisto, FIN
- Mr. Robert K. Mitchell, USA
- Mrs. Tungalag Purevsambuu, MGL
- Mr. Raninder Singh, IND
- Mr. Yifu Wang, CHN

The second round of vote was conducted with fourteen candidates and the President announced the result.

Votes in Room:	290
Valid votes:	288
Abstentions:	0
Votes not received:	2
Majority:	145
Raninder Singh, IND	141
Kevin Kilty, IRL	140
Robert K. Mitchell, USA	140
Yifu Wang, CHN	133
Duaij Al-Otaibi, KUW	110
Catherine Fettell, AUS	97
Hazem Hosny Ahmed, EGY	80
Lionel Cox, BEL	65
Pekka Kuusisto, FIN	45
Egbert IJzerman, NED	22
Dr. Ahmed Nasser Al Raisi, UAE	16
Glenn Kable, FIJ	10
Munk-Ochir Enebish, MGL	7
Tungalag Purevsambuu, MGL	3

Again, no candidate had reached the simple majority and therefore, the candidate with the lowest number of votes was eliminated. Mrs. Tungalag Purevsambuu from Mongolia was eliminated from the list. Further, Mr. Pekka Kuusisto, FIN and Mr. Egbert IJzerman, NED announced that they withdraw their candidacy.

The list was updated and contained the following candidates:

- Mr. Hazem Hosny Ahmed, EGY
- Mr. Duaij Al-Otaibi, KUW
- Dr. Ahmed Nasser Al Raisi, UAE
- Mr. Lionel Cox, BEL
- Mr. Munkh-Ochir Enebish, MGL
- Mrs. Catherine Fettell, AUS
- Mr. Glenn Kable, FIJ
- Mr. Kevin Kilty, IRL
- Mr. Robert K. Mitchell, USA
- Mr. Raninder Singh, IND
- Mr. Yifu Wang, CHN

The vote was taken and Mr. Lisin announced the results:

Votes in Room:	290
Valid votes:	288
Abstentions:	0
Votes not received:	1
Majority:	145
Kevin Kilty, IRL	162 elected
Raninder Singh, IND	161 elected
Robert K. Mitchell, USA	153 elected
Yifu Wang, CHN	146 elected

Those four candidates had reached the simple majority and were elected.

Not elected were:

Duaij Al-Otaibi, KUW	110
Catherine Fettell, AUS	106
Hazem Hosny Ahmed, EGY	83
Lionel Cox, BEL	67
Dr. Ahmed Nasser Al Raisi, UAE	16
Glenn Kable, FIJ	15
Munk-Ochir Enebish, MGL	6

President Lisin congratulated the four elected Vice-Presidents, Mr. Kilty, Mr. Singh, Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Wang.

Mr. Lisin thanked all delegates and closed the meeting. He informed the delegates that the General Assembly will be continued the following day at 9 a.m. in the same room.

Further, Mr. Lisin invited all delegates to join the dinner that will be organized at 7 p.m. on the 15th floor of the hotel.

President Vladimir Lisin welcomed all delegates to the second day of the ISSF General Assembly. He congratulated the newly elected ISSF Vice-Presidents who were seated with him and the Secretary General at the head table. Mr. Lisin further welcomed Mrs. Kimberly Rhode, Chair of the ISSF Athletes Committee who was also seated at the head table. Mr. Lisin informed the delegates that the next agenda item deals with the election of the Administrative Council and he hoped that that day's election will be held faster than yesterday's.

ITEM 9.4 Fifteen members of the Administrative Council

Secretary General Alexander Ratner welcomed all delegates and informed them that this day's first agenda item was the election of the fifteen members of the Administrative Council. 38 candidates are running as Administrative Council members. Mr. Ratner asked all candidates who were present to stand up when their name was announced. Further, Mr. Ratner informed the delegates that Mr. Kevin Kilty is no longer a candidate for the Administrative Council as he was already elected as Vice-President and has to be eliminated from the list. The following 37 candidates were standing for election as members of the Administrative Council:

- Mrs. Christina Ahlstedt, SWE
- Mr. Hazem Hosny Ahmed, EGY
- Mr. Rashid Al-Hameli, UAE
- Mr. Mamadou Ba, SEN
- Mr. Francisco Boza Dibos, PER
- Mr. Lionel Cox, BEL
- Mr. Ali Dadgar, IRI
- Mr. Yair Davidovich, ISR
- Mr. Alexandros Dimakakos, GRE
- Mr. Munkh-Ochir Enebish, MGL
- Mrs. Catherine Fettell, AUS
- Mr. Miguel Frances Pumarada, ESP
- Mr. Rafael Guerra Mollinedo, CUB
- Mr. Safeeldin Hamed, SUD
- Mr. Enthe Kabul Hamid, BAN
- Mr. Juha Hirvi, FIN
- Mr. Egbert IJzerman, NED
- Mr. Hendrik Christiaan Jacobs, RSA
- Mr. Boutros Jalkh, LBN
- Mr. Pekka Kuusisto, FIN
- Mr. Dal-gon Lee, KOR

- Mr. Chun Liang, CHN
- Mr. Javaid Shamshad Lodhi, PAK
- Mrs. Yessenia Monzon, GUA
- Mr. György Nagy, HUN
- Dr. Susan Natrass, CAN
- Mrs. Gyda Ellefplass Olssen, NOR
- Mr. Jorge Pena, MEX
- Mr. Shiranta Peries, SRI
- Mrs. Tungalag Purevsambuu, MGL
- Mrs. Nino Salukvadze, GEO
- Mr. Hans-Heinrich von Schönfels, GER
- Mr. Hugues Senger, FRA
- Mrs. Suzana Skoko, CRO
- Mr. Gerardo Trotta, VEN
- Mr. Michael Vaz, SGP
- Mrs. Haijuan Yu, CHN

Since there were no questions, the smartcards were distributed according to the roll call and the vote was conducted and the following results were announced:

ISSF Administrative Council – Choose up to 15 Options

Votes in Room:	282
Valid votes:	281
Abstentions:	0
Votes not received:	1
Majority:	141
Catherine Fettell	195 elected
Dal-gon Lee	186 elected
Alexandros Dimakakos	177 elected
Chun Liang	152 elected
Yair Davidovich	142 elected
Pekka Kuusisto	142 elected
György Nagy	141 elected

In this round of voting, the seven candidates mentioned above had reached the simple majority and were elected.

Not elected were:

Egbert IJzerman	137
Hugues Senger	136
Michael Vaz	122
Hans-Heinrich von Schönfels	118
Gerardo Trotta	116
Yessenia Monzon	115
Ali Dadgar	113
Christina Ahlstedt	102
Rafael Guerra Mollinedo	97
Dr. Susan Nattrass	94
Haijuan Yu	89
Hazem Hosny Ahmed	85
Hendrik Christiaan Jacobs	83
Boutros Jalkh	73
Juha Hirvi	72
Gyda Ellefplass Olssen	72
Lionel Cox	70
Safeeldin Hamed	69
Shirantha Peries	63
Rashid Al-Hameli	61
Suzana Skoko	60
Mamadou Ba	58
Nino Salukvadze	58
Francisco Boza Dibos	41
Javaid Shamshad Lodhi	41
Jorge Pena	33
Munkh-Ochir Enebish	20
Enthekabul Hamid	19
Miguel Frances Pumarada	16
Tungalag Purevsambuu	13

The second round of voting was conducted and the seven newly elected members were taken off the list of candidates. The updated list of candidates was as follows:

- Mrs. Christina Ahlstedt, SWE
- Mr. Hazem Hosny Ahmed, EGY
- Mr. Rashid Al-Hameli, UAE
- Mr. Mamadou Ba, SEN
- Mr. Francisco Boza Dibos, PER
- Mr. Lionel Cox, BEL
- Mr. Ali Dadgar, IRI
- Mr. Munkh-Ochir Enebish, MGL
- Mr. Miguel Frances Pumarada, ESP
- Mr. Rafael Guerra Mollinedo, CUB
- Mr. Safeeldin Hamed, SUD
- Mr. Enthe Kabul Hamid, BAN
- Mr. Juha Hirvi, FIN
- Mr. Egbert IJzerman, NED
- Mr. Hendrik Christiaan Jacobs, RSA
- Mr. Boutros Jalkh, LBN
- Mr. Javaid Shamshad Lodhi, PAK
- Mrs. Yessenia Monzon, GUA
- Dr. Susan Natrass, CAN
- Mrs. Gyda Ellefplass Olssen, NOR
- Mr. Jorge Pena, MEX
- Mr. Shiranta Peries, SRI
- Mrs. Tungalag Purevsambuu, MGL
- Mrs. Nino Salukvadze, GEO
- Mr. Hans-Heinrich von Schönfels, GER
- Mr. Hugues Senger, FRA
- Mrs. Suzana Skoko, CRO
- Mr. Gerardo Trotta, VEN
- Mr. Michael Vaz, SGP
- Mrs. Haijuan Yu, CHN

After the second round of voting, the following results were achieved and announced:

ISSF Administrative Council – Choose up to 8 Options

Votes in Room:	286
Valid votes:	285
Abstentions:	0
Votes not received:	1
Majority:	143

Egbert IJzerman	138
Hugues Senger	116

Ali Dadgar	114
Yessenia Monzon	104
Christina Ahlstedt	103
Hans-Heinrich von Schönfels	100
Gerardo Trotta	99
Michael Vaz	98
Rafael Guerra Mollinedo	97
Dr. Susan Nattrass	85
Hazem Hosny Ahmed	80
Hendrik Christiaan Jacobs	71
Juha Hirvi	67
Lionel Cox	60
Boutros Jalkh	60
Rashid Al-Hameli	53
Haijuan Yu	53
Suzana Skoko	48
Mamadou Ba	47
Safeeldin Hamed	45
Francisco Boza Dibos	42
Gyda Ellefplass Olssen	39
Nino Salukvadze	39
Shirantha Peries	36
Javaid Shamshad Lodhi	34
Jorge Pena	31
Enthekabul Hamid	18
Munkh-Ochir Enebish	13
Miguel Frances Pumarada	11
Tungalag Purevsambuu	4

According to the procedure, the candidate with the lowest number of votes will be eliminated from the list. Consequently, Tungalag Purevsambuu, MGL was taken off the list of candidates.

Further, the following candidates had withdrawn their candidacy:

- Miguel Frances Pumarada, ESP
- Hamid Enthekabul, BAN
- Javaid Shamshad Lodhi, PAK
- Jorge Pena, MEX

The updated list of candidates for the position as member of the Administrative Council was as follows:

- Mrs. Christina Ahlstedt, SWE
- Mr. Hazem Hosny Ahmed, EGY
- Mr. Rashid Al-Hameli, UAE
- Mr. Mamadou Ba, SEN
- Mr. Francisco Boza Dibos, PER
- Mr. Lionel Cox, BEL
- Mr. Ali Dadgar, IRI
- Mr. Munkh-Ochir Enebish, MGL
- Mr. Rafael Guerra Mollinedo, CUB
- Mr. Safeeldin Hamed, SUD
- Mr. Juha Hirvi, FIN
- Mr. Egbert IJzerman, NED
- Mr. Hendrik Christiaan Jacobs, RSA
- Mr. Boutros Jalkh, LBN
- Mrs. Yessenia Monzon, GUA
- Dr. Susan Nattrass, CAN
- Mrs. Gyda Ellefplass Olssen, NOR
- Mr. Shiranta Peries, SRI
- Mrs. Nino Salukvadze, GEO
- Mr. Hans-Heinrich von Schönfels, GER
- Mr. Hugues Senger, FRA
- Mrs. Suzana Skoko, CRO
- Mr. Gerardo Trotta, VEN
- Mr. Michael Vaz, SGP
- Mrs. Haijuan Yu, CHN
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After the third round of voting, the following results were announced:

ISSF Administrative Council – Choose up to 8 Options

Votes in Room:	288
Valid votes:	288
Abstentions:	0
Votes not received:	0

Majority:	145
Egbert IJzerman	146 elected

Mr. Egbert IJzerman, NED had reached the simple majority and was elected as member of the Administrative Council. The following persons have not reached the simple majority:

Ali Dadgar	133
Hugues Senger	125
Christina Ahlstedt	117
Gerardo Trotta	115
Yessenia Monzon	107
Rafael Guerra Mollinedo	104
Michael Vaz	104
Hans-Heinrich von Schönfels	103
Hazem Hosny Ahmed	83
Dr. Susan Natrass	79
Hendrik Christiaan Jacobs	77
Juha Hirvi	68
Lionel Cox	65
Boutros Jalkh	59
Rashid Al-Hameli	53
Haijuan Yu	53
Suzana Skoko	50
Safeeldin Hamed	48
Francisco Boza Dibos	45
Nino Salukvadze	45
Mamadou Ba	43
Gyda Ellefplass Olssen	39
Shirantha Peries	37
Munkh-Ochir Enebish	9

Before the next round of voting was conducted, the following candidates withdrew their candidacy:

- Francisco Boza Dibos, PER
- Shirantha Peries, SRI

The list of eligible candidates for the next voting round was as follows:

- Mrs. Christina Ahlstedt, SWE
- Mr. Hazem Hosny Ahmed, EGY
- Mr. Rashid Al-Hameli, UAE
- Mr. Mamadou Ba, SEN
- Mr. Lionel Cox, BEL
- Mr. Ali Dadgar, IRI
- Mr. Munkh-Ochir Enebish, MGL
- Mr. Rafael Guerra Mollinedo, CUB
- Mr. Safeeldin Hamed, SUD
- Mr. Juha Hirvi, FIN
- Mr. Hendrik Christiaan Jacobs, RSA
- Mr. Boutros Jalkh, LBN
- Mrs. Yessenia Monzon, GUA
- Dr. Susan Natrass, CAN
- Mrs. Gyda Ellefplass Olssen, NOR
- Mrs. Nino Salukvadze, GEO
- Mr. Hans-Heinrich von Schönfels, GER
- Mr. Hugues Senger, FRA
- Mrs. Suzana Skoko, CRO
- Mr. Gerardo Trotta, VEN
- Mr. Michael Vaz, SGP
- Mrs. Haijuan Yu, CHN

The fourth voting round was conducted and the results were announced:

ISSF Administrative Council – Choose up to 7 Options

Votes in Room:	288
Valid votes:	287
Abstentions:	0
Votes not received:	1
Majority:	144

Hugues Senger	142
Ali Dadgar	137
Christina Ahlstedt	128
Rafael Guerra Mollinedo	122
Michael Vaz	122
Gerardo Trotta	119
Hans-Heinrich von Schönfels	114
Yessenia Monzon	110
Dr. Susan Natrass	94

Hazem Hosny Ahmed	91
Hendrik Christiaan Jacobs	67
Juha Hirvi	59
Lionel Cox	57
Boutros Jalkh	55
Haijuan Yu	55
Rashid Al-Hameli	51
Suzana Skoko	49
Safeeldin Hamed	44
Gyda Ellefpllass Olssen	44
Nino Salukvadze	44
Mamadou Ba	44
Munkh-Ochir Enebish	8

No candidate had received the required simple majority in this voting round and according to the procedure, the candidate with the lowest number of votes, Mr. Munkh-Ochir Enebish, MGL was eliminated for the next voting round.

Further, the following candidate withdrew his candidacy for the next voting round:

Mamadou Ba, SEN

Therefore, the list of candidates for the next voting round was as follows:

- Mrs. Christina Ahlstedt, SWE
- Mr. Hazem Hosny Ahmed, EGY
- Mr. Rashid Al-Hameli, UAE
- Mr. Lionel Cox, BEL
- Mr. Ali Dadgar, IRI
- Mr. Rafael Guerra Mollinedo, CUB
- Mr. Safeeldin Hamed, SUD
- Mr. Juha Hirvi, FIN
- Mr. Hendrik Christiaan Jacobs, RSA
- Mr. Boutros Jalkh, LBN
- Mrs. Yessenia Monzon, GUA
- Dr. Susan Natrass, CAN
- Mrs. Gyda Ellefpllass Olssen, NOR
- Mrs. Nino Salukvadze, GEO
- Mr. Hans-Heinrich von Schönfels, GER
- Mr. Hugues Senger, FRA
- Mrs. Suzana Skoko, CRO
- Mr. Gerardo Trotta, VEN
- Mr. Michael Vaz, SGP
- Mrs. Haijuan Yu, CHN

The vote was taken and the results of the fifth voting round were announced:

ISSF Administrative Council – Choose up to 7 Options

Votes in Room:	288
Valid votes:	286
Abstentions:	0
Votes not received:	2
Majority:	144
Hugues Senger	165 elected
Ali Dadgar	150 elected

Mr. Hugues Senger, FRA and Mr. Ali Dadgar, IRI had reached the simple majority in this voting round and were elected as members of the Administrative Council.

Rafael Guerra Mollinedo	126
Hans-Heinrich von Schönfels	126
Christina Ahlstedt	123
Michael Vaz	123
Gerardo Trotta	117
Yessenia Monzon	116
Dr. Susan Natrass	99
Hazem Hosny Ahmed	86
Hendrik Christiaan Jacobs	79
Lionel Cox	67
Boutros Jalkh	63
Haijuan Yu	55
Juha Hirvi	51
Rashid Al-Hameli	44
Suzana Skoko	43
Safeeldin Hamed	41
Nino Salukvadze	41
Gyda Ellefplass Olssen	35

Before the next voting round was conducted, the following persons withdrew their candidacy:

- Mrs. Gyda Ellefpllass Olssen, NOR
- Mrs. Haijuan Yu, CHN

Consequently, for the next voting round, the following 16 candidates were standing for election:

- Mrs. Christina Ahlstedt, SWE
- Mr. Hazem Hosny Ahmed, EGY
- Mr. Rashid Al-Hameli, UAE
- Mr. Lionel Cox, BEL
- Mr. Rafael Guerra Mollinedo, CUB
- Mr. Safeeldin Hamed, SUD
- Mr. Juha Hirvi, FIN
- Mr. Hendrik Christiaan Jacobs, RSA
- Mr. Boutros Jalkh, LBN
- Mrs. Yessenia Monzon, GUA
- Dr. Susan Nattrass, CAN
- Mrs. Nino Salukvadze, GEO
- Mr. Hans-Heinrich von Schönfels, GER
- Mrs. Suzana Skoko, CRO
- Mr. Gerardo Trotta, VEN
- Mr. Michael Vaz, SGP

The vote was taken and the results of the sixth voting round were announced:

ISSF Administrative Council – Choose up to 5 Options

Votes in Room:	288
Valid votes:	287
Abstentions:	0
Votes not received:	1
Majority:	144
Christina Ahlstedt	126
Rafael Guerra Mollinedo	123
Hans-Heinrich von Schönfels	122
Michael Vaz	114
Gerardo Trotta	112
Yessenia Monzon	108
Hazem Hosny Ahmed	93
Dr. Susan Nattrass	88
Hendrik Christiaan Jacobs	66

Lionel Cox	62
Boutros Jalkh	58
Rashid Al-Hameli	50
Nino Salukvadze	48
Juha Hirvi	46
Safeeldin Hamed	43
Suzana Skoko	41

None of the candidates had reached the simple majority in the sixth voting round. According to the voting procedure, the candidates with the lowest number of votes was eliminated. Ms. Suzana Skoko, CRO was taken off the list of possible candidates.

Further, the following candidates withdrew their candidacy:

Mr. Juha Hirvi, FIN

Therefore, for the next voting round, the following fourteen candidates were standing for election:

- Mrs. Christina Ahlstedt, SWE
- Mr. Hazem Hosny Ahmed, EGY
- Mr. Rashid Al-Hameli, UAE
- Mr. Lionel Cox, BEL
- Mr. Rafael Guerra Mollinedo, CUB
- Mr. Safeeldin Hamed, SUD
- Mr. Hendrik Christiaan Jacobs, RSA
- Mr. Boutros Jalkh, LBN
- Mrs. Yessenia Monzon, GUA
- Dr. Susan Natrass, CAN
- Mrs. Nino Salukvadze, GEO
- Mr. Hans-Heinrich von Schönfels, GER
- Mr. Gerardo Trotta, VEN
- Mr. Michael Vaz, SGP

The vote was taken and the results of the seventh voting round were announced:

ISSF Administrative Council – Choose up to 5 Options

Votes in Room:	288
Valid votes:	287
Abstentions:	0
Votes not received:	0
Majority:	146
Gerardo Trotta	141

Christina Ahlstedt	140
Rafael Guerra Mollinedo	137
Hans-Heinrich von Schönfels	137
Michael Vaz	127
Yessenia Monzon	111
Hazem Hosny Ahmed	86
Dr. Susan Nattrass	84
Lionel Cox	63
Boutros Jalkh	61
Hendrik Christiaan Jacobs	56
Rashid Al-Hameli	51
Nino Salukvadze	50
Safeeldin Hamed	35

No candidate had reached the necessary simple majority. According to the procedure, the candidate with the lowest number of votes was eliminated. Mr. Safeeldin Hamed, SUD was taken off the list of eligible candidates.

The next voting round was conducted and the following thirteen candidates were standing for election:

- Mrs. Christina Ahlstedt, SWE
- Mr. Hazem Hosny Ahmed, EGY
- Mr. Rashid Al-Hameli, UAE
- Mr. Lionel Cox, BEL
- Mr. Rafael Guerra Mollinedo, CUB
- Mr. Hendrik Christiaan Jacobs, RSA
- Mr. Boutros Jalkh, LBN
- Mrs. Yessenia Monzon, GUA
- Dr. Susan Nattrass, CAN
- Mrs. Nino Salukvadze, GEO
- Mr. Hans-Heinrich von Schönfels, GER
- Mr. Gerardo Trotta, VEN
- Mr. Michael Vaz, SGP

The vote was taken and the results were announced:

ISSF Administrative Council – Choose up to 5 Options

Votes in Room:	288
Valid votes:	283
Abstentions:	0
Votes not received:	5
Majority:	142

Gerardo Trotta	152 elected
Michael Vaz	148 elected
Christina Ahlstedt	147 elected
Hans-Heinrich von Schönfels	144 elected
Rafael Guerra Mollinedo	143 elected

After the seventh voting round, Mr. Gerardo Trotta, VEN, Mr. Michael Vaz, SGP, Mrs. Christina Ahlstedt, SWE, Mr. Hans-Heinrich von Schönfels, GER and Mr. Rafael Guerra Mollinedo, CUB had reached the requested simple majority and were elected as members of the Administrative Council.

The following persons have not received the simple majority and were not elected:

Yessenia Monzon	103
Dr. Susan Nattrass	86
Hazem Hosny Ahmed	71
Lionel Cox	59
Hendrik Christiaan Jacobs	58
Boutros Jalkh	57
Nino Salukvadze	45
Rashid Al-Hameli	44

This concluded the votes of the fifteen Administrative Council members. The newly elected Administrative Council members were:

- Christina Ahlstedt, SWE
- Ali Dadgar, IRI
- Yair Davidovich, ISR
- Alexandros Dimakakos, GRE
- Catherine Fettell, AUS
- Rafael Guerra Mollinedo, CUB
- Egbert IJzerman, NED
- Dal-gon Lee, KOR

- Pekka Kuusisto, FIN
- Chun Liang, CHN
- György Nagy, HUN
- Hugues Senger, FRA
- Gerardo Trotta, VEN
- Michael Vaz, SGP
- Hans-Heinrich von Schönfels, GER

ITEM 9.5 Chairman of the Technical Committee

Mr. Alexander Ratner explained that only one candidate was standing for the position as Chairman of the ISSF Technical Committee. Mr. Jörg Brokamp, GER is the candidate for reelection.

According to the ISSF Constitution 1.6.13.1, elections must be secret except if only one candidate is standing for one position and no objections are raised. Since there were no objections, Mr. Jörg Brokamp was elected as Chairman of the ISSF Technical Committee by acclamation in a unanimous decision.

ITEM 9.6 Chairman of the Section Committees:

ITEM 9.6.1 ISSF Rifle Committee

ISSF Secretary General informed the delegates that originally, three nominations were received for the position as Chairman of the ISSF Rifle Committee. Unfortunately, Mr. Lionel Cox had to be deleted from the list as he did not hold a Judges License. Therefore, he cannot run for this position. The list of candidates was as follows:

- Mr. David Goodfellow, GBR
- Mr. Georgios Papapanagiotou, GRE

The vote was conducted and the results were announced:

Votes in Room:	276
Valid votes:	270
Abstentions:	6
Votes not received:	0
Majority:	136
David Goodfellow	166 elected
Georgios Papapanagiotou	104

Mr. David Goodfellow was elected as Chairman of the ISSF Rifle Committee.

ITEM 9.6.2 ISSF Pistol Committee

Secretary General Alexander Ratner informed the delegates that two delegates had applied for the position as Chairman of the ISSF Pistol Committee. However, Mr. Babii Sorin from Romania does not have a Judges License and can therefore not run for the position. Consequently, there was only one candidate for the position of Chairman of the ISSF Pistol Committee, Mrs. Susan Abbott, USA. According to the ISSF Constitution 1.6.13.1, elections must be secret except if there is only one candidate for one position and no objections are raised. As there were no objections, Mrs. Susan Abbott, USA was unanimously re-elected as Chairman of the ISSF Pistol Committee.

ITEM 9.6.3 ISSF Shotgun Committee

Mr. Ratner informed the delegates that originally, three candidates were running for the position as Chairman of the ISSF Shotgun Committee, Mr. Daniele Ghelfi, ITA, Mr. Demetris Lordos, CYP and Mr. Mohamed Wahdan, EGY. However, Mr. Ghelfi and Mr. Wahdan had withdrawn their candidacy and the only candidate left is Mr. Demetris Lordos. Since no objections were raised, Mr. Lordos was unanimously elected as Chairman of the ISSF Shotgun Committee by acclamation.

ITEM 9.6.4 ISSF Running Target Committee

The Secretary General informed the delegates that two persons had sent in their applications. However, Mr. Pekka Kuusisto had already been elected as a member of the ISSF Administrative Council and therefore, the only valid candidate is Mr. Claes Johansson, SWE. The delegates unanimously voted by acclamation for Mr. Claes Johansson from Sweden as Chairman of the ISSF Running Target Committee.

ITEM 9.7 ISSF Judges Committee

Mr. Ratner informed the delegates that only Mr. Peter Underhill, GBR was running for the position as Chairman of the ISSF Judges Committee. The General Assembly unanimously re-elected Mr. Peter Underhill by acclamation as Chairman of the ISSF Judges Committee.

ITEM 9.8 ISSF Statutes and Eligibility Committee

Mr. Ratner informed the delegates that three delegates were running for the position as Chairman of the ISSF Statutes and Eligibility Committee:

- Mr. Jaroslav Liptak, SVK
- Mr. Alessandro Oliverio, ITA
- Mrs. Biserka Vrbek, CRO

The vote was conducted and the results were announced:

Round 1

Votes in Room:	274
Valid votes:	269

Abstentions:	5
Votes not received:	0
Majority:	135
Biserka Vrbek	125
Alessandro Oliverio	116
Jaroslav Liptak	28

No candidate had received the requested simple majority and the candidate with the lowest number of votes, Mr. Jaroslav Liptak was eliminated from the list of candidates. The updated list of candidates for the second round of voting for the position as Chairman of the ISSF Statutes and Eligibility Committee was as follows:

- Biserka Vrbek, CRO
- Alessandro Oliverio, ITA

The second voting round was conducted and the results were announced:

Round 2

Votes in Room:	274
Valid votes:	268
Abstentions:	6
Votes not received:	0
Majority:	135
Biserka Vrbek	151 elected
Alessandro Oliverio	117

Mrs. Biserka Vrbek has reached the requested majority and was elected as Chairman of the ISSF Statutes and Eligibility Committee.

ITEM 9.9 ISSF Medical Committee

Secretary General Alexander Ratner explained that only one candidate, Dr. James Lally was standing for election as Chairman of the ISSF Medical Committee. As there were no objections, Dr. James Lally was unanimously re-elected by acclamation as Chairman of the ISSF Medical Committee.

ITEM 9.10 Auditors

Mr. Ratner informed the delegates that two applications were received for the position as ISSF Auditors:

- Siegfried Böck, AUT
- Alexandros Dimakakos, GRE

Mr. Ratner explained that according to the ISSF Constitution 1.6.13.1, elections must be secret except if only so many candidates are running as open positions are available. No objections were raised and the General Assembly unanimously by acclamation elected Mr. Siegfried Böck, AUT and Mr. Alexandros Dimakakos, GRE as ISSF Auditors

ITEM 9.11 Honorary Member

Mr. Ratner informed the delegates that the ISSF had received one application as ISSF Honorary Member, Mr. Derek Ivy, GBR. Mr. Derek Ivy is well-known to the delegates. He had served the ISSF as a member of the ISSF Pistol Committee from 1984 to 1998, in the following he was the Chairman of the ISSF Judges Committee from 1998 to 2006. Since 2006, Mr. Derek Ivy was a member of the ISSF Administrative Council. This adds up to an impressive 35 years work in the services of the ISSF. Mr. Ratner informed the delegates that elections must be secret except if only one candidate is running for the position. The General Assembly unanimously without objections elected Mr. Derek Ivy by acclamation as ISSF Honorary Member.

President Lisin and Secretary General Ratner awarded Mr. Derek Ivy the diploma and ISSF special Honorary Member Pin.

Mr. Ratner announced that this concluded the elections. He informed the delegates that Mr. Peter Underhill is given the floor to address an important matter.

Mr. Peter Underhill took the floor and thanked the President and Secretary General for the floor to address a matter referring to the Commonwealth Games. Mr. Underhill explained that the Commonwealth Games Federation had currently excluded the shooting sport from the program of the Commonwealth Games 2022 in Birmingham. Mr. Underhill further informed the delegates that the Organizing Committee of the Commonwealth Games 2022 had given the ISSF and other sports the opportunity to present the case to be reviewed. The ISSF was requested to put a bid proposal and Mr. Underhill, together with the former ISSF Secretary General Franz Schreiber had presented the document to the Organizing Committee to be considered together with the other four optional sports for a decision. This written application will be supported by a verbal presentation, which Mr. Underhill will hold together with Mr. Hamish McInnes from British Shooting Limited on December 4. Further, the newly elected President, Vladimir Lisin and Secretary General Alexander Ratner had agreed to support this presentation and will be traveling to London. This will certainly be supporting the case of the shooting sport. Mr. Underhill said the decision will not only involve the 28 Commonwealth countries within the ISSF but also all other dependencies and Commonwealth countries that are eligible to participate in the Commonwealth Games. These dependencies and countries are spread on all five continents and therefore, the decision of the Commonwealth Games to include shooting or not will affect almost all countries and delegates in this room.

This will certainly have a great impact on universality and the representation of the shooting sport within the Olympic Movement and the entire sport world. Mr. Underhill therefore believed that it is very important that the ISSF unanimously supports this project of the shooting sport to be included again in the Commonwealth Games. Mr. Peter Underhill once again confirmed that the ISSF is doing everything that the shooting sport will be reinstated into the Commonwealth Games 2022 but obviously, it is up to the Organizing Committee. Several ISSF Member Federations had earned many medals and for those countries such as India and Bangladesh it would be a great loss if the shooting sport was not included in the Commonwealth Games any more.

Mr. Underhill thanked the delegates for their attention and asked them to support the ISSF in this project as much as possible.

Mr. Ratner thanked Mr. Underhill for the information and asked all delegates if they agreed to unanimously support the ISSF's initiative to try to reinstate the shooting sport at the Commonwealth Games, especially in Birmingham 2022. The delegates unanimously agreed by acclamation to this proposal and Mr. Ratner thanked the delegates for their unanimous support.

Mr. Ratner gave the floor to Mr. Christian Keidel, ISSF Legal Advisor who reported to the delegates that all had just witnessed that the simple majority required by the ISSF Constitution could be a very time-consuming requirement. This was according to Mr. Keidel obviously necessary for this General Assembly but there are possibilities to change this requirement. The change could be for the election of the Administrative Council only or for all or other elections. For the Administrative Council, the members could be elected by relative majority, which would mean that only one round of election would be necessary and the fifteen members with the highest number of votes will be elected. It is also possible that the first round of vote would require the simple majority but in the second round, the members could be elected by relative majority. Another possibility could be that after the first round of elections, the candidates who have not received a minimum of 20 % of the votes cast would be eliminated for the second round. Mr. Keidel invited all delegates to send in their proposals which would then be studied and discussed in the next meeting of the ISSF Statutes and Eligibility Committee. Mr. Ratner thanked Mr. Keidel for the information and pointed again out that the experience showed that the simple majority, especially at the election for the members of the Administrative Council is too time-consuming and it is advisable to change this procedure.

Therefore, he repeated the proposal that the election for the members of the Administrative Council should be done by relative majority which means, according to the highest number of votes. Mr. Ratner asked to forward any additional proposals to the ISSF Headquarters and it will be discussed in the ISSF Executive Committee for the next General Assembly.

Before coming to the next agenda item, the Secretary General informed the delegates that the European Shooting Confederation wanted to show a video and asked Mrs. Anna Leshchikova to come to the podium. Mrs. Leshchikova thanked the Secretary General and informed the delegates that on behalf on the European Shooting Confederation, she would present an education video about the presentation of the shooting sport. According to Mrs. Leshchikova, it is obvious that the shooting sport should be presented especially on television in the best possible way. This would improve the image of the shooting sport not only on television but also on the internet by livestreams.

The athletes should be the heroes of the shooting sport. It is further necessary, Mrs. Leshchikova explained, to make the victory ceremonies public and not only for internal shooting spectators. It is necessary to involve external people to watch the shooting sport. Mrs. Leshchikova further informed the delegates that it is very important to win sponsors for the shooting sport. Therefore, the European Shooting Confederation had prepared this video to share the ideas and the future Organizing Committees might be able to realize those ideas.

The video was shown to the delegates. Mrs. Leshchikova thanked everyone for their attention and informed the delegates that the European Shooting Confederation is ready to share this video with any interested ISSF Member Federation.

ITEM 10 Choice of the country to organize the ISSF World Championship Shotgun 2019

The Secretary General informed the delegates that the ISSF had received the following three proposals to hold the ISSF World Championship Shotgun 2019:

- Larnaka, CYP
- Las Gabias, Granada, ESP
- Lonato, ITA

Each candidate will be able to present the candidature and Mr. Ratner asked the representative of the Cyprus Shooting Sport Federation to take the floor.

Mr. Petros Kyritsis informed the delegates that the proposed venue is well known to all federations as several World Cups as well as European Championships were already conducted in Larnaka. The Larnaka Olympic Shooting Range has four combined Trap, Double Trap and Skeet Layouts and one separate Trap and Double Trap Layout and one separate Skeet Layout which made it possible to always have five ranges for Trap, Double Trap and Skeet. This secures that many participants can be accepted for Championships. Mr. Kyritsis confirmed that all ranges are equipped with electronic scoreboards as well as a results display system for the main cafeteria or other areas. The Larnaka Olympic Shooting Range has all necessary facilities and is only seven minutes driving distance from the airport. Mr. Kyritsis informed the delegates that the proposed time of the Championships will be coordinated with the ISSF Headquarters. The competition schedule for 2019 is very congested but the Organizing Committee proposed to have the Championships in October 2019. Mr. Kyritsis showed some photos of the Larnaka Shooting Range to the delegates and stated that Cyprus provides excellent training opportunities, not only at the Larnaka range but also at other international ranges such as Nicosia, Limassol or Paralimni which can be reached in 25 minutes from Larnaka. Mr. Kyritsis explained that the Cyprus Shooting Federation has been organizing competitions since 1994 and is therefore well-experienced in the organization of major competitions. Further, Cyprus has experienced, international referees and judges. The championship will be covered by the national TV with a free signal of all Finals to all Member Federations. Mr. Kyritsis thanked Mrs. Leshchikova for the video that was just shown, as it gives the Organizing Committee a great opportunity to increase the representation of the shooting sport. Mr. Kyritsis confirmed that Cyprus has two international airports which are located in Larnaka and Paphos. Both airports offer excellent connections to the whole world. Further, Mr. Kyritsis explained that customs formalities are simple and quick and the

maximum time for customs clearance is for shotguns not more than 15 minutes. Mr. Kyritsis also confirmed that Cyprus has very comfortable and save transfers and high quality accommodations at low costs. Cyprus is a very enjoyable country with lovely weather, delicious food and warm hospitality. Mr. Kyritsis closed his presentation by inviting all Member Federations to Cyprus for the 2019 World Championships in Shotgun and thanked the delegates for their attention.

Since there were no questions, the next candidate, the Royal Spanish Shooting Federation was given the floor. The delegate congratulated the newly elected President. He explained that his federation had applied for the 2019 World Championship in Shotgun on the well-known shooting range in Las Gabias, Granada. It is certainly among the best ranges in the world. The Organizing Committee will be able to provide excellent hotels, restaurants and transportation from the very close airport in Granada. The shooting range in Las Gabias, Granada, has six ranges for Double Trap, five ranges for Trap and four for Skeet. The venue further has all necessary facilities for athletes, officials and judges. The delegate thanked all for their attention and asked for the support to host the ISSF World Championship in Shotgun 2019 in Las Gabias, Granada.

Since there were no questions, the floor was given to the Federazione Italiana Tiro a Volo to present its application. Mr. Daniele Ghelfi thanked the President for the floor and first showed a short video to the delegates. Mr. Ghelfi informed the delegates that it is very difficult to find a suitable location and time for the ISSF World Championship Shotgun in 2019 because the event calendar is completely full for the whole year. At the beginning of the year, in February it would not be very convenient to organize the World Championship as it is very early in the year and in October it is difficult to organize a Championship in Italy due to the short daylight period. The best time for the World Championship in Lonato would be end of June, beginning of July according to Mr. Ghelfi. The Organizing Committee will try to organize the World Championship in only ten days by using ten ranges for Trap for men and junior men as well as five ranges for women and junior women. One of the ranges will only be used for the Finals. The preliminary schedule is to start with Trap, followed by Double Trap and to have the Skeet events at the end. Mr. Ghelfi explained it was difficult to find a good time but the Organizing Committee will do its utmost to provide the best conditions to athletes and ISSF Member Federations. The shooting venue in Lonato has a new restaurant and also a new rest area for athletes as well as new conference rooms if they are required. All the new facilities had been constructed for the coming European Championships which will be held in September 2019. FITAV as well as the Lonato shooting venue are ready to host the ISSF Shotgun World Championship at the end of June, beginning of July. It is proposed to have arrival on June 30 followed by the opening ceremony on July 1 and in the following the Trap, Double Trap and Skeet. Departure is planned for July 10. Mr. Ghelfi gave a detailed draft of the schedule to all delegates. Mr. Ghelfi also confirmed that the Organizing Committee will certainly have many sponsors for the Championships as well as service from most of the manufacturers that are located close to Lonato. Mr. Ghelfi thanked all delegates for their attention and asked for their support.

Damien Marangon, delegate of Shooting Australia asked if the ISSF is accepting any of the dates of the three candidates for the 2019 ISSF World Championship Shotgun. Mr. Alexander Ratner stated that the European Games will be finished on June 30. If the proposal of FITAV will be accepted to have arrival on June 30, it might be difficult. However, Mr. Ghelfi had confirmed that FITAV is flexible and can adjust the final dates. Mr. Ghelfi once again confirmed that the most suitable time to organize the competition is end of June, beginning of July.

Mrs. Ivana Ertlova, delegate of the Slovak Shooting Federation mentioned that the proposed date might collide with the Summer Universiade in Naples, ITA and kindly asked to take this fact also into account. Especially as most of the participants of the Universiade also participate in the World Championship and the age group is up to 25 years. It would therefore be great if the dates would not interfere with those of the Universiade that are already published in the ISSF Calendar. Mr. Ghelfi again confirmed that FITAV is flexible.

Mr. Ratner asked the Royal Spanish Shooting Federation if they could also give their feedback. They also confirmed that they could adjust the dates. Mr. Ratner summarized that all candidates are flexible with regard to the dates.

Since there were no further questions, the vote was taken and the following results were announced:

General Assembly

Results

Choice of the country to organize the ISSF World Championship Shotgun in 2019

Votes in Room	274
Valid Votes	263
Abstentions	5
Votes not received	6
Majority	132
Lonato del Garda, ITA	140 elected
Larnaka, CYP	109
Granada, ESP	14

Therefore, Lonato del Garda was elected as host of the ISSF World Championship Shotgun in 2019.

The President announced a lunch break.

ITEM 11 Proposal to approve changes to the ISSF General Regulations, according to the attached document “ISSF Executive Committee Proposals for General Assembly”

Mr. Alexander Ratner, ISSF Secretary General informed the delegates that this matter was shortly discussed with the newly elected Vice-Presidents and some members of the Executive Committee. Mr. Ratner stated that it might be wise to have two parts, the current Olympic cycle, which will last to the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games and the second part, after the Olympic Games. The General Assembly had already elected the World Championship Shotgun in 2019 and only one championship is missing in the current Olympic cycle, the Junior World Championship in the year 2020. Mr. Ratner informed the delegates that fortunately, the ISSF had received an application form the German Shooting Sport Federation. They are willing to organize a World Championship instead of a World Cup if the General Assembly approves this application. Mr. Ratner gave the floor to Mr. Jörg Brokamp, Secretary General of the German Shooting Sport Federation to further explain this proposal.

Mr. Brokamp thanked the Secretary General and confirmed that the German Shooting Sport Federation would with pleasure welcome the juniors again to Suhl. He is convinced that all juniors would love to come to Suhl. Mr. Brokamp explained that the feedback from the previous World Cups and the Junior World Championship was very positive from athletes and officials. For many years, the German Shooting Sport Federation had been organizing the Junior World Cup in Suhl and it is now a well-established competition. The organizers and especially the responsible manager, Mr. Wilhelm Grill would very much appreciate to upgrade the World Cup to a World Championship as was done in 2017. The German Shooting Sport Federation with President Mr. von Schönfels had met with the newly elected President and Secretary General and agreed that this would be an excellent solution for the juniors for the year 2020. Therefore, Mr. Brokamp again confirmed the delegates that the German Shooting Sport Federation is ready and offers to organize a Junior World Championship in Rifle, Pistol and Shotgun in the year 2020 in Suhl, GER. Mr. Ratner thanked Mr. Brokamp for the explanations and asked the delegates if the General Assembly agreed to upgrade the Junior World Cup to a Junior World Championship Rifle, Pistol, Shotgun in the year 2020 in Suhl, GER. The delegates applauded and there were no objections to this proposal.

Mr. Ratner explained that this concluded the Olympic cycle until 2020 and the new Olympic cycle, starting with the year 2021 should follow several principles:

Principle 1

Rifle and Pistol shooters should have the same possibilities as Shotgun shooters for World Championships. The present procedure to have three World Championships in Shotgun and only one in Rifle and Pistol is not balanced and should be changed so that all disciplines have the same number of World Championships in one Olympic cycle.

Principle 2

Juniors should have the same number of World Championships as seniors.

Principle 3

The system of World Championships should be connected to the system of Quota Places.

Taking these principles into account and all questions on the other championships, such as multi-sport championships as the Commonwealth Games, all Continental Games and Continental Championships and other international competitions that have to adjust to any new ISSF Competition Calendar, the President and Secretary General proposed to postpone the decision concerning the detailed competition calendar as of 2021. This would give the ISSF the possibility to further study this question and they could contact the Continental Confederations for their input and create a commission to study the proposals. It might be possible to organize an Extraordinary General Assembly in 2019 to discuss and decide on the competition calendar as of 2021.

Mrs. Susan Nattrass, delegate of the Shooting Federation of Canada stated that during her time in the ISSF Athletes Committee, it was discussed that the Rifle and Pistol shooters wanted to have equal chances without penalizing the shotgun shooters. Mrs. Nattrass explained that since 1965, the shotgun shooters had had three World Championships and to propose now that shotgun should only have two World Championships would not be fair for shotgun shooters. She proposed that the number of Rifle and Pistol World Championships should be increased and the number of shotgun World Championship should not be decreased.

Mr. Ratner thanked Mrs. Nattrass for her comment and confirmed that this is one of the reasons why the proposal should be postponed.

Mrs. Nattrass thanked Mr. Ratner and added that many federations' financing is connected to World Championships and not World Cups. This should also be taken into consideration in a new proposal.

Mr. Demetris Lordos commented as Chairman of the ISSF Shotgun Committee that he fully agrees with Mrs. Susan Nattrass and this matter must be fully and seriously discussed and a new proposal should be made.

Mr. Yair Davidovich stated that since 1965, shotgun athletes had three World Championship. He finds it strange that the Shotgun shooters do not think about Rifle and Pistol athletes and all disciplines should have the same chances.

Mr. Luciano Rossi, FITAV President fully agreed with the explanations given by Mrs. Nattrass and confirmed that it is very important to have discussions with full transparency on this matter. He further confirmed that the ISSF's proposal to postpone this matter is good as the topic must be discussed openly with all Member Federations concerned. Mr. Rossi further stated that it should not be a fight between Rifle, Pistol and Shotgun but a common proposal in the best spirit of the sport.

Mr. Ratner thanked Mr. Rossi and summarized that the General Assembly approved the proposal to postpone this matter. The ISSF will further study this topic and involve the Continental Confederations and all Member Federations in the discussions.

Mr. Ratner explained that under this agenda item, there is a proposal to approve the inclusion of the Target Sprint discipline as an official ISSF Event to the General Regulations. Mr. Ratner asked the delegates for their approval and the delegates unanimously without objections approved the inclusion of Target Sprint in the General Regulations as presented in the documents for the General Assembly.

ITEM 12 Choice of the countries to organize ISSF World Championships according the decision of the General Assembly under the previous agenda point

Mr. Ratner summarized that, as already discussed, this matter will be postponed.

ITEM 13 Proposals submitted by Member Federations

ITEM 13.1 National Rifle Association of Pakistan

Mr. Ratner explained that the ISSF had received a proposal from the National Rifle Association of Pakistan to be included on the agenda of the General Assembly. The letter dated August 10, 2018 was included in the documents sent by circular on September 28, 2018 to all ISSF Member Federations. This proposal was forwarded to the Review Committee, which met on November 28. Mr. Jörg Brokamp will report as Chairman of the Review Committee.

Mr. Jörg Brokamp explained that the ISSF had receive a letter from the National Rifle Association of Pakistan signed by Mr. Javaid Lodhi, Executive Vice-President. In this letter, Mr. Lodhi asks several questions concerning the audit report of the year 2014 and 2015. Mr. Brokamp explained that the Ad Hoc Committee in its meeting on November 28 had discussed the letter as well as the provided answer by the former Secretary General Franz Schreiber in great detail. The general conclusion of the Review Committee is that the Committee came to the result that the answer given by Mr. Schreiber was very detailed, open and transparent and it answered all questions. Mr. Brokamp further asked, especially, Mr. Lodhi if this answer was sufficient or if there were any additional questions. Mr. Lodhi had already left the General Assembly. Mr. Brokamp explained that he had had a short meeting with Mr. Lodhi prior to the General Assembly and in that discussion, it was agreed that the information given were sufficient and he felt well-informed. Once again, Mr. Brokamp stated that all questions asked by the National Rifle Association of Pakistan and Mr. Lodhi were answered thoroughly by the former ISSF Secretary General Franz Schreiber.

Mr. Ratner thanked Mr. Brokamp and asked if there were any further questions. Since there were no questions, Mr. Ratner proceeded in the agenda.

ITEM 14 Report on the preparations of the XXXII Olympic Games 2020 in Tokyo, JPN from 24 July to 9 August 2020

Mr. Peter Underhill, Competition Manager at the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games informed the delegates that the preparations of the Games are going very well. The constructions are under way and according to the schedule. The Japanese Organizing Committee is functioning excellently and efficiently. The home of the shooting sport will be the Asaka Shooting Range which is about 23 kilometers from the center of Tokyo and the Olympic Village. The driving time from the Olympic Village to the Asaka Shooting Range is around 50 minutes. The Olympic Village is located in the bay area of Tokyo. The shooting venue will be a temporary venue and is located about four kilometers outside of Asaka, a small town close to Tokyo. The venue is accessible by coach for all visitors. The train station as well as other hubs are close by. The venue consists of three Shotgun ranges, a combined 10m and 50m Range as well as a combined 25m Range and Finals Hall. The venue is part of a military area. The venue agreement between the military authorities and Organizing Committee was signed. The venue is a very green area and will be very attractive. The venue is full of trees which not only creates a nice atmosphere but also spend shadow in the hot Tokyo summer. The venue plan is similar to the London 2012 temporary venue which was well-accepted and was working excellently. The idea was to have a public area in the center of the venue and to have access to the different ranges from there. The Organizing Committee plans that the venue will show the sport but also gives a great Olympic experience for all spectators. Concerning the shooting ranges, the Olympic venue will have as usual three combined Trap and Skeet ranges with the Finals Range on Range A. The Finals Shotgun Range will have a seating capacity of around 3,000 seats. The shotgun ranges will be surrounded by a shot net with a height of 50m to 70m. There will be a combined range for 10m and 50m, which significantly saves costs and is also good for the environment as it tremendously decreases the footprint of the venue. The range will consist of 60 10m targets and 70 50m targets. So 50m training will always be available on a minimum of 10 targets, even during the first days when the 10m events will be conducted. The seating capacity in this qualification range is about 800 seats and the range will provide all other needed facilities. Mr. Underhill further explained that the Finals Hall will be a combined hall, the Finals Hall and for 25m. It will be one building only but the 25m Hall will still be separated from the Finals Hall. It is certainly not possible to have 25m competitions going on while a Final is conducted. However, this combination again saved great costs and has positive effects with regards to sustainability. The seating capacity in the Finals Hall is around 3,000 seats. The field of play of all ranges follow the ISSF and Olympic standards. Mr. Underhill stated that sports presentation is a vital tool for the Olympic Games to present the shooting sport. He explained that the competition schedule will stretch over eleven days, one day official training and ten competition days. As in all Olympic Games, it is planned to have live coverage of all Finals through OBS, the Olympic Broadcasting System.

Mr. Underhill continued his report by explaining that the Test Event is planned to be an ISSF World Cup to be organized from April 15 to 25, 2020. However, there are still some negotiations between the Organizing Committee, the ISSF, the IOC and the National Federations in Japan concerning the scope and details. The negotiations mostly concern costs regarding transportation and the number of athletes. It is planned to use one hotel for the test event which would support the transport. Further, there are two ports of entry, the two international airports, Haneda and Narita.

Mr. Underhill emphasized that one of the priorities for the new ISSF leadership will be to solve some challenges connected to the test event. The Organizing Committee requests to have public transport for all athletes and officials. Further, the height of the shot net has to be clarified. The ISSF proposes a height of 17 meters. However, the current Japanese laws only allow a height of 10 meters. So it needs to be clarified if 17 meters height is possible, which would be ideal. Another challenge is the strict firearms laws and regulations in Japan. Several matters such as the behavior and handling of firearms, import and export for firearms and ammunitions need to be clarified. It is further necessary to discuss some operational matters regarding firearms on the venue. Other challenges concern the camera positions for the broadcaster and photographers. Mr. Underhill said there is a legal problem, which does not allow any camera in front of the firing line. This creates a tremendous problem for TV cameras and photographers. However, Mr. Underhill stated he is confident that solutions will be found for all challenges as the Organizing Committee is trying its best to organize the Olympic Games in the best possible way.

Mr. Underhill further explained that the two National Federations in Japan, the National Rifle Association of Japan as well as the Japan Clay Target Shooting Association organize courses for Referees and recruit volunteers who will be the key staff for the operations on the shooting venue of the Olympic Games. This is of course always in coordination with the ISSF and the Organizing Committee. Mr. Underhill further reported that recently, the Olympic Results and Information System – ORIS conducted its preparation meeting, which went very well. All new events such as the team events are covered and included in the ORIS. Mr. Underhill highlighted that the roles of the International Technical Officials is increasing as it is more and more important to have ITOs helping to successfully deliver the shooting events and the ISSF supports the National Federations in this respect. Mr. Underhill summarized that the preparations for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games are going very well. However, some challenges need to be taken but again, he is confident that all the challenges can be solved. The shooting sport will be judged by the IOC concerning sustainability, performance, popularity and other important criteria as was done in previous Olympic Games. It is therefore very important that the ISSF and the Organizing Committee do their utmost to provide excellent competitions which will secure the shooting sport in the Olympic Movement. Finally, Mr. Underhill explained that from December 2017 to February 2018, more than 75% of the elementary schools in Japan and a number of overseas Japanese schools took part in a selection process to vote for their favorite mascot designs. The new mascots were now revealed and there are two mascots, named Miraitowa and Someity which were shown on the screen. Mr. Underhill closed his presentation by thanking the former ISSF leadership for their excellent support and repeated that he is convinced that the Olympic Games in Tokyo 2020 will be very successful.

Mrs. Susan Natrass asked Mr. Underhill if there is any specific reason why the order of Trap and Skeet was changed. In the past Olympics, Trap always came before Skeet and now, Skeet is scheduled before Trap. Mr. Underhill explained that he would certainly check more thoroughly on this but one reason is the newly introduced team event, which will be conducted at the end of the Games and therefore, Skeet that has no team event will be conducted first.

Mrs. Natrass further asked why Tokyo is not having a legacy on the venue. Mr. Underhill could only presume that legacy is not only about a legacy on the venue but mainly of the Japanese people getting interested in the various sports. Also, he explained that for example in London, there was no benefit in building and constructing a big shooting range and leave it as legacy as it would not have been used. A temporary venue is more sustainable in some cases. Some of the past Olympic venues are monuments, which had created great costs and were not used for several years and finally destroyed. Therefore, a temporary venue at lower costs is more sustainable and preferred by the Organizing Committee. Also the IOC is looking for temporary venues if there is no already existing venue available. Mr. Matsumaro, representing the National Rifle Association of Japan took the floor. He thanked Mr. Peter Underhill for the excellent work on the preparation of the Olympic Games in Tokyo 2020. Mr. Matsumaro confirmed that they are working very hard to change some of the laws regarding gun import as Japan has very strict laws. Mr. Matsumaro expressed his hope that with the newly elected leadership, the shooting sport will be united and all officials and Member Federations will be harmonizing so that the shooting sport can be brought to new highs of the Olympic Movement. This is the biggest aim of the Tokyo Olympic Games for the National Federations in Japan. Since there were no questions, the Secretary General continued in the agenda.

ITEM 15 Determination of the membership fees for the period 2019/2020

Mr. Ratner explained that first of all, he would read the information prepared by the former ISSF leadership.

“The last Executive Committee had discussed the membership fees in great detail. Also the Administrative Council had discussed the matter and they propose to the General Assembly to change the membership fee from CHF 1,500 per country to 2,500 CHF. The reason is that more and more countries are inactive and only become members to be able to vote at the General Assembly but they have no activities during the year. Therefore, the Executive Committee and Administrative Council believe that the membership fee should be raised on one hand but also the membership fee reductions which were always granted by the Executive Committee in the past years should be canceled. At the moment, the ISSF has only around 65 federations that pay the full membership fee, that accounts for 40 per cent. All other 96 Member Federations have some kind of reductions which goes down to as less as 50 CHF. The proposal and recommendation is to raise the membership fee to 2,500 CHF per country. The Executive Committee had further decided to cancel all membership fee reductions, which means that all members are starting with the regular fee set by the General Assembly. The members can of course apply for a reduction of membership fees according to the ISSF Constitution and the Executive Committee is able to grant such a reduction according to the ISSF Constitution. This General Assembly will have to set the membership fee for the period 2019/2020 and the recommendation to the General Assembly is to increase the membership fee to 2,500 CHF due to the reasons mentioned earlier.”

Mr. Liam Crawford, delegate of Target Shooting Ireland informed the delegates that his federation is very small and has a yearly budget of slightly more than 1,500 CHF. Therefore, for small federations like his it is impossible to have such high membership fees. This would limit the possibilities of athlete participation in ISSF competitions.

Mr. Luciano Rossi, President FITAV stated that the Member Federations have already enough problems. He is therefore against this proposal as it is more important to help the National Federations. In his opinion, it is a bad idea to increase the expenses for National Federations.

Mr. Sidine Mohamed Ahid, delegate of the Federation Mauritanienne de Tir Sportif first congratulated the new leadership. He further stated that this proposal is contrary to the principle of universality as it would exclude federations which do not have the necessary financial resources. He therefore opposes this proposal.

Mr. Tarek Fakhfakh delegate of the Tunisian Shooting Federation stated that for African federations, it is a great burden to finance the participation for the qualification of the Olympic Games. The federations try to invest in the sport depending on their possibilities and this should be taken into consideration. It is about Olympic values and the image of the sport in the whole world.

Mr. José Mera, delegate of the Dominican Republic Clay Target Shooting Federation reminded that the financial statement says that the ISSF had about 8 million dollars on its accounts and the yearly income generated by membership fee payments only covers around 3 per cent of the income. He therefore thinks that increasing the membership fees would hardly affect the financial position of the ISSF and he proposed not to support this idea.

Mr. Ratner thanked the delegates for their comments and explained that all Member Federations have the same rights but also the same obligations. Therefore, it is necessary that all Member Federations pay the same amount as membership fee. He therefore proposed to have a compromise, the keep the membership fee in the amount of 1,500 CHF and to keep the decision of the Executive Committee to cancel all membership fee reductions. This would give all Member Federations the same starting point and the same obligations.

Mr. Rossi stated that this new proposal goes into the right direction but is not enough. Mr. Rossi requested a secret vote on this matter.

Mr. Ratner summed up that the ISSF General Assembly has to decide whether the ISSF should keep the membership fee of 1,500 CHF or increase it to 2,500 CHF. The vote was conducted electronically and the results were announced:

Votes in room	236
Valid Votes	234
Abstentions	1
Votes not received	1
Majority	118
To stay at 1,500 CHF	201
To increase to 2,500 CHF	33

The General Assembly voted to keep the present membership fee of 1,500 CHF for the period 2019/2020.

Mr. Lisin thanked the scrutinizers for their excellent work during the two days.

ITEM 16 Miscellaneous

Mr. Ratner informed the delegates that the ISSF had received a letter from the Peruvian National Sport Shooting Federation, informing the ISSF that unfortunately, the shooting venue for the Junior World Cup, scheduled for June 2019 will not be finalized before the end of 2019. Therefore, the planned Junior World Cup has to be canceled.

Mr. Rossi offered the General Assembly to have a Junior World Cup in Shotgun in Lonato, ITA at the same dates instead. Mr. Ratner thanked Mr. Rossi for the offer but pointed out that Lima was not only a World Cup in Shotgun but also in Rifle and Pistol. Further, Lonato already organizes the European Championship, World Championship and other competitions. However, he thanked Mr. Rossi for the offer and asked to send an official application for the conduct of a Junior World Cup in Lonato.

Mr. Rossi pointed out again that Junior competitions are of great importance and as Lima had to cancel the competition, he again offered to conduct the competition in Italy. Mr. Ratner thanked Mr. Rossi again for the offer and kindly asked him to send an official application to the ISSF as the next Executive Committee will discuss and decide this matter.

The President thanked all delegates and informed them that there is a dinner invitation at 7 p.m. on the 15th floor. The dress code is casual and he is looking forward to seeing the delegates again tonight.

The President officially closed this General Assembly at 16h00.

Franz Schreiber
Minutes Committee

Peter Underhill
Minutes Committee