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NEWSLETTER

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THE 15TH ITF TAEKWON-DO WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

The 15th ITF Taekwon-Do World Championship is expected to be held in larger scale than ever with the thousands of participants coming from more than 70 countries across the world.

According to the information of the organizing committee, the preparation for the Championship is in the final stage and they are so busy with the creative ideas how to make all the brothers and sisters happier during the Championship as well as to make this event most professional and memorable in its kind.

As you know well, ITF schedules the 17th Congress on 27th April in the period of the Championship and looks forward to the great supports and contributions to the development of ITF from all the members at the Congress.

SEE YOU ALL IN NEXT MONTH IN SLOVENIA!

THE TECHNICAL & UMPIRE SEMINAR

As having already informed to the members, the Technical & Umpire Seminar will take place in Bled, Slovenia from 22nd to 24th April just before the 15th ITF World Championship.

The seminar is open to all Black Belt Holders of ITF.

You are able to be updated with newly revised technical & umpiring aspects through this seminar.

The participants are allowed to submit to the ITF HQ the Umpire Certificate Applications with Class "A" and "B" accordingly.

The Umpires who are going to be umpiring at the 15th ITF World Championship representing his/her country have to attend this seminar with the fee of USD 50.00 only. For other voluntary participants can attend it with the fee of USD100.00 up to 2nd Dan and USD 200.00 from 3rd Dan and up.

THE 1ST SESSION OF THE "COORDINATION COMMITTEE FOR TAEKWON-DO INTEGRATION" BE HELD

It was well known fact that the Mutual Agreement to establish the "Coordination Committee for Taekwon-Do Integration" between ITF and WTF had been signed by both Presidents of ITF and WTF in Doha, Qatar on Dec. 2nd, 2006.

Pursuant to this Agreement, the 1st Session of "Coordination Committee for Taekwon-Do Integration" between ITF and WTF will be held in Beijing, China on the last day of this month.

Both sides will simultaneously deal with the matters with regards to the Techniques and Administration.

THE ITF TAEKWON-DO DEMONSTRATION TEAM VISITS SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA

This globe is amazed and even shocked with news that the ITF Taekwon-Do Demonstration Team composed of 45 members from the DPR Korea will have the good-will tour to Seoul, South Korea from 6th to 9th April this year by the invitation of the Korean ITF Taekwon-Do Association with Mr. YOO Wan-Ryung as its President. This tour aims at congratulating the formation of Korean ITF Taekwon-Do Association which has legally been registered to the Government of South Korea as the official Non-Profitable Civil Organization which is responsible for the growth and expansion of ITF throughout Korea.

ITF will show the peoples and Taekwon-Doists in South Korea the superiority of the original Taekwon-Do and its precise root through these demonstration activities. The both Taekwon-Do Organizations in Pyongyang and Seoul jointly invite the ITF President Prof. CHANG Ung, the Chairman of Consultative Council Grand Master Dr. Leong Wai Meng and the Executive Director General Mr. RI Yong Son to this historical event.

During the ITF President's stay in Seoul, it is anticipated that the ITF President would pay the protocol visit to the WTF Headquarters and there would be the comprehensive discussions for the future development of Taekwon-Do including the merger of two bodies between the Presidents of ITF and WTF.

THE 5^{TH} -YEAR-MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR LATE GEN. CHOI HONG HI

This year marks the 5th Anniversary Year since Gen. Choi Hong Hi, the Legendary Founder of Taekwon-Do and 1st ITF President, has passed away.

The Korean Taekwon-Do Committee is planning the big ceremonies to remember Gen. Choi Hong Hi under the support of the Government and Municipal City Authority. The Widow of late Gen. Choi Hong Hi will join these ceremonies together with her family which are scheduled on Jun. 15th, this year.

ITF would like to invite the members who are eager to pay the respects and tributes to late Gen. Choi Hong Hi, visiting his grave stationed in Pyongyang.

Those members wishing to take part in these ceremonies are kindly requested to contact the Korean Taekwon-Do Committee with the e-mail; tkdkorea@co.chesin.com or Fax (+850 2) 381 4410, 381 4539, 381 4416 by May 15th, 2007.