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To: Presidents and Secretary Generals,
WTF Member National Associations (MNA's)

Re: NEW World Taekwondo Global Membership System (GMS) from October 2016

Dear Sir/madam,

The World Taekwondo Federation is pleased to announce the upcoming launch of the new and improved World Taekwondo Global Membership System (GMS). The new system is expected to be rolled out starting in October 2016. Based on your feedback and powered by our new IT partner, Simply Compete, the new system will include the following features:

Multi Lingual: Initial launch will be in 13 languages: English, Spanish, French, Korean, Arabic, Russian, German, Portuguese, Turkish, Italian, Hindi, Farsi and Chinese with additional languages to be added in the future. This will make the system easier to use both by administrators as well as by individuals.

Split payments: The new system will have the option for credit card payments to be automatically split between your National Federation, the WTF and your respective clubs and/or regional organizations, if you so choose. This will facilitate faster approval of licenses and allocation of funds to the respective parties.

Automatic license approvals: The new system will offer automatic License approvals based on pre-select criteria determined by your MNA. This will significantly reduce your administration time and costs.

Reduced Global License Fee: Greatly reduced Global License fees will be available from **October 2016** for each MNA that completes all required steps to access the new system. The new fees will be as follows:

- Category A MNA's – 10 USD or 10 EUR (Europe)
- Category B MNA's – 7 USD or 7 EUR (Europe)
- Category C MNA's – FREE (Card shipment costs still apply)
- Minor License (11 Years and Under) are FREE for all MNA's
- For Category A and B MNA's there will be a card printing fee of 5 USD per member for Minor Licenses. For Category C there will be no charge

Any change in pricing will be notified in advance to MNAs and CUs. For a complete list of MNA by category pricing click [HERE](#)



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Functions of the NEW membership system will be introduced in the following phases:

October 2016: WTF License Registration/Renewal

November 2016: WTF Event Registration (for events to be held in 2017).

January 2017: WTF Results & Ranking

Also, soon after the release of the WTF Results & Rankings we will be launching a GMS mobile phone APP that will make it easier to carry out many essential functions such as document capture and upload.

We believe the new GMS will be a great tool for you and your members. In addition, we are working to expand the range of services provided by the system to include event planning, travel and other value added offerings. The GMS team will work closely with each and every MNA to customize the system according to their needs and their way of doing business.

To maximize benefits and reduce costs we need to expand participation. To achieve this goal, we have made it possible to allow individuals to register directly into the GMS. You as our MNA will choose the criteria that needs to be met for individual to be approved.

Only by working together can we show the world just how popular, integrated and sophisticated taekwondo has become. Each of you been assigned a specific GMS team member to assist with the implementation of the GMS bylaws. They will be in contact with you soon. Please work closely with them in order to prepare the necessary for the launch in October.

I personally thank you for your support of this ambitious WTF initiative. We can only succeed with the support and cooperation of each and every one of you.

Yours Sincerely,

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WTF Secretary General

Attached:

1. World Taekwondo Federation Global Membership System (GMS) Bylaws