



## Minutes of the CIG-Plenary Meeting held on Zoom 6<sup>th</sup> May 2022.



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## **1. Attendance:**

President	Jacques BERLO (JB)	
Chairman of Rules	David MONKS (DJM)	GBR
Austria Delegate	Stefan SEER (SS)	AUS
Czech Delegate	Marik VASTAKA (MV)	CZE
France Delegate	Laurent MICHELAT (LM)	FRA
Poland Delegate	Serafina OGONCZYK-MAKOWSKA (SOM)	POL
Ukraine Delegate	Yulia SHIMALKO (YS)	UKR
Ukraine Alternate Delegate	Oleg BARANOVSKI (OB)	UKR
Observer	Antonis PAPADOPOULOS (AP)	GRE
FAI Secretary General	Markus HAGGENEY (MHA)	

The CIG President Jacques Berlo welcomed FAI President, David Monks and Secretary General, Markus Haggeneay to the meeting. He thanked the Secretariat for their support over the last year. He thanked the observers for their presence and their interest in CIG. He warmly welcomed the delegates.

## **2. Roll Call:**

Markus Haggeneay carried out the Roll Call confirming the attendance of the nations. There were four countries and no Proxies. Three votes would be the majority.

## **3. Apologies:**

Hubert Gesang, Secretary (GER).

## **4. In Proxies:**

None

## **5. Declaration of Conflicts of Interest:**

There were none.

## **6. Minutes of CIG Plenary meeting 2021:**

The minutes of the 2021 were accepted as a true and accurate account of the meeting.

## **7. Report CIG President:**

The President presented a very short concise report as there were two competitions - Russia and Poland in 2021. SOM said there has been a very good competition in Poland with crews from Poland and Russia. The Czech Republic also attended but did not participate. There were many spectators and a medal ceremony. SOM has been working hard for a 2022 event but it was decided to cancel it despite the City donating to the cost. Poland is going to attend in Germany and focus on an event in 2023.

JB asked MHA to share the bulletin from the German Helicopter Club. They are holding the German Open Helicopter Championship in Mengen from 21<sup>st</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> July 2022. For the benefit of the observer, JB explained the procedures within CIG for publishing bulletins to give information for events.

JB said there was a fly-in to Cholet, France on 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> May 2022. Many helicopters will attend. MHA shared the information to the meeting.

JB had taken the initiative to present Jean Boulet with a commemorative certificate of the two altitude records he made 50 years ago. JB asked MHA to share the certificate on his screen. JB is going to present the certificate at the Cholet fly-in.

DJM congratulated JB on his initiative and said it as a very good opportunity taken to recognise this achievement.

## **8. Report FAI Secretary General:**

MHA presented his report to the meeting, He shared his screen and explained the main messages from FAI regarding decisions taken and the activities taking place.

MHA shared a slide of the current EB to commence his presentation. He presented a summary of the key messages being shared with stakeholders.

MHA said the 2022 GC would be an online version. He briefly touched on the figures from 2020 before the hard stop was undertaken after an initiative from the United Kingdom. He mentioned the cut back to the budget and reported on big improvements on previous figures. He then showed the meeting the up-to-date figures for 2021 and the figures from the audit that were only completed last week. He explained the risk provision taken in view of the current climate.

MHA gave a update of some post GC activity:

1. Womens Gliding Championship Appeal to CAS
2. FAI response to the Ukraine invasion.
3. FAI's officials travel insurance policy
4. 2021 audit
5. Mutual decision with FAI & ASFC to hold the next GC on Zoom in October 2022.

He concluded his report by introducing the meeting to the Secretariat team.

JB thanked the Secretary General for his report and his enthusiastic input to FAI.

## ANNEX - SEC GEN REPORT

### **9. CIG Finances:**

JB asked MHA to display the CIG budget to the participants. There were questions asking to explain the positions on the budget. MHA explained the figures and confirmed these budget positions were placeholders and no money had been spent.

## ANNEX - BUDGET

### **10. Competitions in 2022:**

The competition update had been given under the Presidents Report.

JB asked if there were any questions regarding the event in Mengen. JB asked SS if he would attend with his co-pilot Thomas Morgenstern (TM). SS reported in the current financial climate in Austria that it was essential to devote his time to his business at present. Both SS and TM are very busy with their respective businesses. He said he would attend in the future and there are two young crews who were interested that he would encourage.

LM explained the situation in France regarding the Sport Ministry and the right to represent France would be removed from their organisation if there was no activity within four years. There is a push to find crews to participate. An easy/small event was going to be created to encourage new crews to take part in helicopter sport. He would be attending Mengen as a judge but there would be no flying crew from France taking part. LM said he had not received a copy of the DHC Bulletin for Mengen and requested a copy from JB.

SOM reported the cancellation of the Polish event but said two Polish crews would attend in Mengen to support the event. She is trying to encourage the Polish military to take part. It is the 55-year anniversary of helicopter sport in Poland this year.

OB confirmed there would be no sporting events in Ukraine as the sky was closed over the country. No men over 16 can leave the country. Ukraine is supporting the Mengen Open with two judges.

### **11. Bid to host FAI World Helicopter Championship:**

MHA confirmed no bids had been received by FAI for a World Helicopter Championship.

For information, DJM said a World Helicopter Championship can take place for a single class,

### **12. CIG Rules and Regulation:**

DJM addressed the participants and said a vote would be required for the rules, Section 9, Chapter 8, World and Continental Helicopter Championships. He has been working with Olga Sheveleva prior to the suspension of nations and the business had been concluded.

He detailed the changes made since the last publication in 2019:

1. 1.2 multi class event changes
2. 1.8 change in crew numbers
3. 13.13 definition of black flag definition
4. 13.14 addition
5. 1.14 addition
6. 4.2 addition of judges online test
7. 13.15/6 numbering changes to accommodate additional paragraph
8. 7.2/3/4 DJM explained the changes to the awards section.

A vote was asked for to confirm the acceptance of the proposals.

Decision: Vote was unanimous

DJM pointed out the last WHC was in 2018 and in accordance with Chapter 4 of Section 9, Chapter 8, World and Continental Helicopter Championships rules, paragraph 3.0. The Commission has no international judges with valid status. He proposed the validity of judges be held until the next WHC. DJM asked for a vote on the matter.

Decision: Vote was unanimous.

OB asked when the document would be published. DJM said it would be in one week.

DJM shared Section E on his screen and referred to the 2019 meeting when a Circumnavigator Diploma was discussed but not concluded upon. This award can be made to anyone fulfilling the criteria, flown round the world.

DJM asked for a vote from the Commission if they were happy to adopt this diploma.

Decision: 3 yes voted, approved.

For information, DJM explained in Section E there was a reference to Annexes of the claim forms for world records but there were none. The forms had now been added to the document.

For information, DJM explained section 10 was added to explain the fees and charges of sanctioned events, proficiency certificates and world records.

MHA said he would not like to see specific fees included in a Sporting Code but a reference to contacting the Secretariat for the costs. MHA said he needs to review the whole process and current prices are out of date. This will be reviewed by the Secretariat.

AP said it would be useful to have someone to decide the date of when fees increase.

It was agreed the document would be reworded and exclude costs

### **13. CIG Awards:**

MHA showed the participants the nomination received for the Gold Rotorcraft Medal from Germany for Michael Schauff.

The Commission was required to make two votes:

1. If the medal was going to be awarded for 2021
2. If the nomination presented by the German Aero Club would be accepted.

Decision:

1. There was a unanimous vote and the medal is going to be awarded.
2. The vote was unanimous to award the Gold Rotor craft medal to Michael Schauff. He was congratulated in his absence by the participants.

### **14. Any other business:**

AP said his CIAM was developing a tool for evaluating judges with software that could be accessed via computer or Iphone. It was concluded JB and AP would speak further on the subject.

## **15. Date and location of next annual CIG meeting:**

The next CIG Plenary meeting will be held on the 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> March 2023. The venue will be MSI, Lausanne, Switzerland. (details to be confirmed).

The President closed the meeting at 1835 hrs CEST

Approved:

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