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Player's Undertaking for Participation in the 2005 World Cup

The World Chess Federation (FIDE) is the governing body of the World Chess Cup (hereinafter referred to as the World Cup).

The Administrator of the 2005 World Cup is FIDE, in collaboration with the Russian Chess Federation.

In order to ensure that the World Cup is played in accordance with the approved regulations and the statutes of FIDE, the following provisions shall apply:

1. Dates and Venue

- 1.1 The World Cup will be held from 26 November 2005 (opening ceremony and players meeting) to 17 December 2005 (tiebreaks and closing ceremony) in Khanty-Mansyisk, Russia.
- 1.2 FIDE will announce the names of the players who will play in the event, in accordance with the World Cup regulations, and the pairings for the first round will be published on the FIDE web site on 16 November 2005.
- 1.3 All the participants in the World Cup must stay at the official hotel of the event, the "Yugra Valley" hotel.

2. Right of Participation

- 2.1 A list of qualified players and reserves, approved so far by FIDE, is attached and the list will be updated on the FIDE web site as well as the publication of any other important information regarding the event. The present Player's Undertaking is also published on the FIDE website, from where the players should download it and send it to the FIDE Secretariat within the deadline specified below.
- 2.2 Qualified participants are entitled to play in the World Cup. This right may only be set aside if the player does not meet the deadlines specified in this undertaking or otherwise behaves in a way and manner that is in violation of the provisions of this undertaking, when a reserve may replace him.

3. Confirmation deadlines

- 3.1 Qualified players and reserves are expected to fax a copy of the original document of their signed undertaking to reach the FIDE Secretariat no later than 31 October 2005, GMT 13:00.
- 3.2 Qualified players shall register at the World Cup Secretariat in Khanty-Mansyisk in person no later than the time set for the opening ceremony, failing which their right of participation may be forfeited. The FIDE President has the right to allow participation in exceptional circumstances.

4. The Player's Obligations

- 4.1 On signing this undertaking the player commits himself to completing the various stages of the Championship in accordance with the regulations for the World Cup, Candidate Matches, World Chess Championship Tournament, FIDE Code of Ethics, FIDE Anti-Doping Disciplinary Regulations, FIDE Statutes, FIDE Laws of Chess and regulations which form an integral part of this undertaking, except in the case of illness evidenced by a medical certificate.

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- 4.2 All players that sign this undertaking are not permitted to take part in any World Championship event which is not recognized by FIDE, until this cycle is completed.
- 4.3 During the event, players will have to give interviews and make appearances as described in article 3.13.2 of the World Cup Regulations.
- 4.4 Players may be required to wear clothes or apparel with special branding from sponsors when specifically approved by the FIDE President.
- 4.5 Participants shall be required to appear punctually for the commencement of play in each game of every round. Any unjustified violation of this rule may attract a fine of up to USD 3,000. Such a fine is decided by the Chief Arbiter and shall be deducted from the prize money.
- 4.5 Participants in the World Cup shall be required to attend the Opening Ceremony, Closing Ceremony (top 16 winners) or any official reception specifically approved by the FIDE President, failing which a fine as detailed in the regulations, may be imposed and deducted from the prize money for each violation.

5. Financial conditions

- 5.1 The World Cup has a total prize fund of USD 1,572,000 (one million five hundred and seventy two thousand US dollars), to be distributed in accordance with the regulations of the event. FIDE receives twenty percent (20%) of the prize fund and this amount is deducted from each individual prize accordingly.
- 5.2 Subject to the provisions of this undertaking, the amount to which each player is entitled, will be paid by direct bank transfer or cheque drawn in US Dollars on UBS Lausanne, Switzerland not later than two weeks after the event is completed.
- 5.3 Although FIDE has signed an agreement with the organiser stating that the prize funds are net and free of all tax, FIDE will not be responsible for any national or local tax deducted from the prize money. FIDE will give all necessary assistance to the players if the organiser acts to the contrary.
- 5.4 FIDE or the Organising Committee will not be responsible for any application of political or financial sanctions from the organising country against the players of the tournament. At the same time, FIDE has no prior knowledge of such sanctions.
- 5.5 Without prejudice to the provisions of this undertaking, the game scores and scoresheets are the property of FIDE.
- 5.6 There shall be no cash advance or pocket money for the players. On written request of a player, at least two weeks before the World Cup, FIDE may agree to settle players' hotel bills up to USD 1,000 per round by deducting the amount from their prize money. With the prior approval of FIDE, in writing, this arrangement may be extended to accompanying persons.

6. Arbitration

- 6.1 Any dispute arising from or related to the present undertaking will be submitted exclusively to the Court of Arbitration for Sports in Lausanne, Switzerland, and resolved definitively in accordance with the Code of Sports related Arbitration.

By signing this undertaking, I hereby confirm that I will participate in the 2005 World Cup and have in consultation with my national federation acquainted myself with the applicable FIDE Statutes, FIDE Code of Ethics, FIDE Anti-Doping Disciplinary Regulations, FIDE Laws of Chess and rules and regulations and accept the conditions relating to my participation.

Signature: Full Name:

Place and date: