

**Minutes: MLAIC DELEGATES MEETING**  
**26th MLAIC WORLD MUZZLE LOADING CHAMPIONSHIPS**  
**GRANADA: 28<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2014**

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**1: APPOINTMENT OF MINUTES SECRETARY**

Mrs. Gerda Lejeune is asked as Minutes Secretary by Secretary-General David Brigden. We have organized that the meeting will be recorded

**2: REGISTRATION AND ACCREDITATION OF DELEGATES**

The Secretary General Welcomed the new Delegates  
For Russia Mr Igor Verbovsky  
For Germany Mr Gerhard Lang

**3: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Nations absent, Denmark, Japan, Luxemburg, Italy, Malta, New Zealand, Poland, Venezuela, Brazil and Greece.

Nancy Crouse was welcomed as the outgoing Deputy Secretary General and was thanked for all her hard work over the many years she has been associated with the MLAIC

Belgium sends Willy Vanhille, Czech Republic sends Josef Forman, South Africa sends Corena de Beer. Louise van Greunen from Switzerland leaves tomorrow after Urs Wysbrod is the team captain of their team for the rest of the week.

A special welcome for Lee Shaver as a candidate for the post of Secretary General.

There is an email from the delegate of Italy, Giovanni Gentile, he cannot be present at this meeting and nobody else will come, he was very specific that nobody can vote for Italy.

There is an email from the delegate of Japan, Mr. Yashuhiro Sato, he asked David Bridgen to vote for him.

There are no other proxies given.

**4: ITEM 4 WAS MISSING FROM THE AGENDA**

**5: ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Item 11.f. World Championship 2016- Barcelos, Portugal is a European Championship 2015 – Barcelos, Portugal.

Switzerland raised the question about the peep site on flintlock rifles.  
We will speak about this when discuss the constitution and rules.

**6: BUSINESS ARISING**

Venue changes from South Africa to Granada Spain. The Secretary General grateful thanked Ramon, and the RFETO for taking over the hosting of these Championships at very short notice and asked for this to placed on record in the Minutes

**7: CORRESPONDENCE INWARDS / OUTWARDS**

Letter from George Grella (Artax) re German reproduction Japanese matchlock pistol  
This was a very close copy but approval was not granted as the barrel dimensions were different to the original.

**The meeting was informed of an email received from the Italian Delegate Giovanni Gentile advising that the 2016 World Championships due to be held in Italy had been cancel.**

An email received by the SG from the Swiss Delegate Ms Louise Van Gruenen Was discussed. The SG explained his position on some of the comments, other topics were covered during the debate on the rule changes

**8: BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE**

None

## 9: FINANCIAL REPORT

The accounts were presented and the situation regarding our bank account was explained.

## 10: APPOINTMENT OF TELLERS

Franz-Josef Kerber (Germany) and Per Zachrisson (Sweden) were appointed as Tellers

## 11: AGENDA ITEMS

- a) The annual fee (€ 100,00) for the MLAIC Membership is fixed until 2016.
- b) This item was deferred till 2016. Discussions with the Commission and the Small Arms Committee will take place and a recommendation will be placed on the agenda for 2016. There will be an amnesty on all reproduction firearms until 2021. This means that after 31 December 2020 reproduction firearms which are considered not to comply with our rules will be prohibited from use in any MLAIC sanctioned event.
- c) Considerable discussions took place regarding the revised rules. The new rules will be attached as a separate document.  
A number of situations arose during the shotgun practice and events which required immediate resolution. The SG called for an Emergency Meeting to discuss these issues and find a solution. The meeting was well represented and exceeded the quorum requirements
- d) The email from the Delegate from Switzerland to all Delegates dated 31 August 2013 and S.G.'s response were discussed and concluded.
- e) f) g) h) and i) The venue's for future championships were discussed and the following was decided

2015. The Long Range World Champions will be held during the 5 to 12th of September. At the Camp Butner shooting complex, North Carolina. USA

2015. The European Zone Champions are in Barcellos, Portugal 23 – 30 August.

2016. The World Championships will be held in Sarlópuszta, Hungary 13-21 August. Information will be sent to all the delegates. The first Hungarian MLAIC Grand Prix event will be held on this range on 26-29 May 2016. This will be a test for the range and range staff as well as the competitors.

2017. 16th European Zone Championship, Granada, Spain

2017 The Long Range World Champion in will be held in Australia.

2018. Austria was nominated for the World Championship; they will make their presentation in 2016 in Hungary.

**2019. We wait for a proposal for hosting the Zone Championships**

**2020. We wait for a proposal for hosting the Zone Championships in 2017.**

2021. Discuss Festival of Muzzle Loading Shooting 2021, Australia and Germany are willing to host this event.

- j) Missing trophies – last known recipient:  
The Whitworth Original is found in Germany and they returned this trophy.  
Tanegashima Replica trophy is still missing. The USA Delegate, Robert Peloquin, presented a new trophy made by Lee Shaver.  
After each World Championship the delegates must sign for the trophies they take with them, There will be a list of all the trophies with picture and all the winners placed at the site of the MLAIC.
- k) The fees for target inspection and protest fees for view the target will be €10,00 (Non Refundable) and € 20,00 for a protest (Refundable if upheld).
- l) Proposed by S.G. Change Rule 2.3 Participation and Registration
  - b. Qualification for individual competition to be valid:
  - c. Qualification for Team Events:  
The above two points were discussed at length and a revised proposal has been incorporated into the Rules.
- m) Proposed new team event "El Alamo" by Belgium. A team of three in Donald Malson mixed was approved by the meeting. Belgium will donate a (small) trophy for this event
- n) There was much debate over the proposed changes to the rules but we eventually agreed on a number of changes and proposals. All the changes and amendments are included in red in the FINAL DOCUMENT. The reason for this will be outlined in the covering Newsletter

## 12: ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

The question of reproductions was raised again and the DSG informed the meeting of the likely number of offending firearms for this championship.

**13: ELECTION OF SECRETARY GENERAL**

The majority of the delegates has voted for Mr David Brigden he will stay the Secretary General for the next two years

**14: ELECTION DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL**

Mr Ramón Sellés Calabuig, the Delegate for Spain, was elected as Deputy Secretary General for the next two years.

**15: ELECTION OF TREASURER**

Mr. Antonio Ferrerio, Italy, was nominate by the S.G. and the only candidate for this position, he was duly elected as Treasurer.

**16: ELECTION OF HONORARY MEMBERS:**

The Secretary General proposes the retiring Deputy Secretary General Mrs. Nancy Crouse to be elected as Honorary Member this was accepted unanimously.

**17: ELECTION OF 6 PERSON MLAIC COMMISSION**

Antonio Ferrerio  
Balazs Nemeth  
Gerhard Lang  
Gary Crawford  
Gerda Lejeune  
Kim Atkinson

**Small Arms Committee.**

The Secretary General asked Lee Shaver to participate in this committee. He agreed and will be add to this Committee.

**18: CLOSING SPEECHES**

Both the Secretary General and the new Deputy Secretary General made short speeches thanking the Delegates for the confidence they had shown in electing them and wished everyone a good championship.

Signed.....  
Secretary General

Date.....