# MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING OF PAKISTAN OLYMPIC ASSOCIATION HELD ON 30 MARCH, 2019 AT OLYMPIC HOUSE, LAHORE

1. The meeting of the Executive Committee of Pakistan Olympic Association (POA) was held on 30<sup>th</sup> March, 2019 at Olympic House, Lahore, under the chairmanship of its President Lt Gen (R) Syed Arif Hasan HI(M). The following attended the meeting:-

Sr.#	Name	Status
1.	Lt Gen (R) Syed Arif Hasan HI(M)	President, POA
2.	Mr. Muhammad Khalid Mahmood	Secretary General, POA
3.	Mr. Muhammad Shafiq	Treasurer
4.	Syed Aqil Shah	Vice President, POA
5.	Ch. Muhammad Yaqub	Vice President, POA
6.	Mr. Shaukat Javed	Vice President, POA
7.	Syed Muhammad Abid Qadri	Vice President, POA
8.	Commodore Ghazanfar Abbas	Vice President, POA
9.	Mrs. Fatima Lakhani	Vice President, POA
10.	Mr. Muhammad Jahangir	Associate Secretary General
11.	Hafiz Imran Butt	Associate Secretary General
12.	Mr. Rizwan Ul Haq Razi	Associate Secretary General
13.	Mr. Ahmad Ali Rajput	Associate Secretary General
14.	Mr. Zulfiqar Ali Butt	Associate Secretary General
15.	Mrs. Veena Salman Masud	Lady Associate Secretary General
16.	Mr. Javed Shamshad Lodhi	Executive Member
17.	Prof. Painda A. Malik	Executive Member
18.	Rana Muhammad Tauseef	Executive Member
19.	Syed Wasim Uddin Hashmi	Executive Member
20.	Ms. Zainab Shaukat	Executive Member
21.	Mr. Khalid Noor	Executive Member
22.	Mr. Tariq Perveiz	Executive Member
23.	Mr. Amjid Amin Butt	Executive Member
24.	Mr. Muhammad Rashed	Executive Member
25.	Mr. Murtaza Bangash	Executive Member
26.	Mr. Iftikhar Ahmed Awan	Executive Member

27.	Mr. Jahangir Khan	Individual Member
28.	Mr. Islahuddin Siddiqui	Individual Member
29.	Mr. Naveed Alam	Individual Member
30.	Hafiz Salman Butt	Individual Member
31.	Mr. Ehtasham Ul Haq	Individual Member
32.	Ms. Andleeb Sandhu	Individual Member
33.	Ms. Ambreen Iftikhar	Individual Member
34.	Ms. Sumera Sattar	Individual Member
35.	Ms. Shamim Akhtar	Lady Member
36.	Mr. Muhammad Inam	Chairman Athletes Commission
	BY INVI	TATION
37.	Mr. Muhammad Afzal Awan	President, BOA

2. The meeting started with the name of Almighty Allah and Mr. Muhammad Khalid Mahmood, Secretary General confirmed that the quorum was complete and the house in order. The President POA warmly welcomed all the participants to this momentous meeting and the meeting initiated taking up the agenda items as:

# AGENDA ITEM NO.1 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 11 JANUARY, 2019

3. The minutes of the last Executive Committee Meeting of POA held on 11 January, 2019 at Olympic House, Lahore were circulated to all the members of the Executive Committee vide POA Letter No. POA-063 / MS / ECM/ 050 dated 08 February, 2019 with the request to send comments /observations if any, regarding correctness of the Minutes within 10 days of the issuance of this letter, otherwise it would be presumed that the minutes were correctly recorded.

#### **DECISION:**

4. Since there were no comments / observations received, therefore the House unanimously confirmed Minutes of the last Executive Committee of POA held on 11 January, 2019.

# ITEM NO. (2) NOMINATION OF INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS AS CONTAINED IN ARTICLE VI – 6 – (VI) OF POA CONSTITUTION

The house was apprised that the it has to recommend nominations of the Individual Members as contained in Article VI-6(vi), reproduced below, and in accordance with Transition Clause of the IOC approved Constitution of POA for the consideration and election of the nominated Individual Members to the house.

"Subject to nomination proposed by the Executive Committee and election by the General Council, there shall be Individual Members on the General Council of POA, as per the Olympic Charter, who are likely to be helpful to strengthen the effectiveness of POA or who have rendered distinguished services to the cause of sports and Olympism. The total number of such individual voting member shall not exceed 16 including with at least 50%

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ladies. The General Council shall elect the individual member for term of four years (renewable during the General Council meeting held immediately after the Olympic Winter Games)".

The house deliberated and considered the process of nomination of Individual Members as provided in the Constitution of POA.

#### **DECISION:**

The house nominated the following sixteen Individual Members with absolute majority for their election in the General Council of POA as provided in IOC approved Constitution of POA:-

- 1 Mr. Jahangir Khan
- 2 Mr. Islahuddin Siddiqui
- 3 Mr. Naveed Alam
- 4 Mr. Iftikhar Ahmad Tabassum
- 5 Mr. Syed Muhammad Abid Qadri
- 6 Mr. Hafiz Salman Butt
- 7 Begum Ishrat Ashraf
- 8 Mr. Ehtasham ul Haq
- 9 Ms. Andleeb Sandhu
- 10 Mrs. Ambreen Malik
- 11 Mrs. Fatima Lakhani
- 12 Mrs. Veena Salman Masud
- 13 Mrs. Nargis Rahimtoola
- 14 Ms. Sumera Sattar
- 15 Ms. Shamim Akhtar
- 16 Ms. Shagufta Malik

## ITEM NO. (3)

# 13TH SOUTH ASIAN GAMES, 2019 KATHMANDU, NEPAL

The house was informed that the meeting of the SAOC was held in Bangkok at the sidelines OCA General Assembly. The NOC Nepal has informed that  $13^{th}$  South Asian Games, 2019 Kathmandu shall be held from December  $01^{st}$  to  $10^{th}$ , 2019.

After the marathon discussion, the house resolved to take up the matter with Government of Pakistan for the best preparations and trainings of our teams as under:-

We, members of the Pakistan Olympic Association and representatives of the National Sports Federation, acknowledge the importance of the regional Games and events to promote the Olympic Movement, Sports, Peace and Peace through Sports and that the South Asian Games can be very instrumental in fostering friendship and accepting the diversity.

We, members of the Pakistan Olympic Association and representatives of the National Sports Federation, recognizes that sports plays a very effective role to engage and instill in youth the highest moral values and the regional Games are instrumental in bringing together the youth of South Asian Countries .

We, members of the Pakistan Olympic Association and representatives of the National Sports Federation, understand the importance of the participation in the event is necessary to elevate the national sports and promote physical activity in Pakistan resulting in the betterment of wellbeing and welfare of the society, sports personnel and people related to sports in Pakistan.

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We, members of the Pakistan Olympic Association and representatives of the National Sports Federation, urge the Government of Pakistan, taking cognizance of the importance and urgency, as the South Asian Games are being organized from 01<sup>st</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> December, 2019 and participation with full strength and preparations is necessary requiring immediate support of the Government of Pakistan in terms of arranging the foreign and local trainings within Pakistan and abroad.

We, members of the Pakistan Olympic Association and representatives of the National Sports Federation, urge the Government of Pakistan to cooperate and fund the training, both local and international, accommodation and participation of the Pakistani contingent in 13<sup>th</sup> Chapter of South Asian Games at Nepal.

#### **DECISION:**

The house unanimously approved the proposed resolution and further authorized the President POA to take necessary measures including meetings with Government of Pakistan and other stakeholders for the preparation and training of the contingent. It was also resolved that resolution shall be placed before General Council of POA in its meeting scheduled on 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2019.

# ITEM NO. (4) 33<sup>RD</sup> NATIONAL GAMES 2019

The house was informed that the President POA has been following with the Government of Balochistan to inform and confirm the venue and date of the meeting as was agreed by the Secretary Sports of Balochistan in the previous meeting of POA GCM in January. The POA has been consistently endeavouring for the National Games be held in Quetta basically for the promotion of peace and stability in the region. However, despite this desire of ours, there has not been any worthwhile effort /response from the Government of Balochistan to organise themselves for these games despite all the assurances from all concerned quarters. The POA has requested the worthy H.E. Chief Minister, Balochistan to kindly take cognizance of the matter and direct the concerned quarters to take and inform POA of their final decision. In this context correspondence made with Government of Balochistan was also brought to the notice. A letter received from the KP Olympic Association was also placed before the house for their perusal. In this letter the KPOA volunteered to hold these Games at Peshawar but only if Balochistan was unable to do so. After deliberation, it was proposed by the house that a proposal may be submitted to General Council of POA in its meeting scheduled on 31 March, 2019.

### **DECISION:**

The house decided to propose following options for the consideration of the house:

- 1. Due to non-preparation and confirmation of venues, procurement of equipment, etc., the 33<sup>rd</sup> National Games may be allotted to KP Olympic Association to be organised in October 2019 at Peshawar as a preparation plan for 13<sup>th</sup> South Asian Games, 2019.
- 2. 34<sup>th</sup> National Games may be allotted to Balochistan Olympic Association to be organised in 2020.

### ANY OTHER MATTER WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR

# a. MERGER OF FATA OLYMPIC ASSOCIATION INTO THE KP OLYMPIC ASSOCIATION

The house was informed that the 25<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan has merged the Federally Administered Tribal Area into the province of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, therefore it is now imperative for the Pakistan Olympic Association to consider whether the FATA Olympic Association can continue as a separate entity as is defined in the Constitution of Pakistan Olympic Association. A notification was also placed before the house wherein it was notified by the Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa that the sports in FATA shall henceforth be under the supervision of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government. It was further explained that in accordance with the Constitution of Pakistan Olympic Association (relevant clauses as

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placed before the house) the FATA Olympic Association has been granted the affiliation as it was eligible in accordance with the role the "Other Associations" that are stipulated in following clauses of Constitution of Pakistan Olympic Association:

**Article II** - "The jurisdiction of the Pakistan Olympic Association shall extend throughout Pakistan, the acceding States and the Territories under the control of Pakistan"

Article III (6) – "Other Association – Means Olympic Association of a Territory or the acceding State recognized as independent Administrative Unit under the control of Pakistan, other than the Province and duly created and recognized by National Olympic Committee"

Article VI "The Sports Associations of each of the Areas / Territories / Acceding States of Other Associations shall be duly affiliated with their respective National Federations recognized by POA. The minimum number of such Sports Associations shall be more than 50% of the total number of POA affiliated National Federations of Olympic Sports affiliated with POA

It was further explained the house that since the former status of agencies in former FATA have now been converted into the Districts and the administrative control of former FATA secretariat has been shifted under the KP government therefore the former FATA territory has become part of the KP and lapsed its territorial jurisdiction as the governmental control has been transferred to the KP province by the Government of Pakistan.

#### DECISION:

The house took cognizance of the applicable rules and was of the view that in light of the Constitution of Pakistan Olympic Association, the decision in this context is not to be taken by the house and its implementation of the (aforementioned) relevant clauses. The house therefore resolved that the case of FATA Olympic Association as non-existent entity within the Olympic Movement following the 25<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the Constitution of Islamic Republic Pakistan, may be referred to General Council of POA for consideration and formal approval.

# b. RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE SECRETARY GENERAL AND TREASURER TO OPERATE BANK ACCOUNTS OF POA

The requirement of our Banks regarding resolution of Executive Committee on the subject matter was brought to the notice of house and the house was requested to consider and adopt resolutions related to the operations of the bank accounts.

#### **DECISION:**

The house unanimously resolved as under:-

- i) The following Bank Accounts of Pakistan Olympic Association (POA) shall be jointly operated by Mr. Muhammad Khalid Mahmood, Secretary General and Mr. Muhammad Shafiq, Treasurer Pakistan Olympic Association.
- ii) Any change in custodianship control and operation of accounts shall be communicated to the Bank immediately.
- iii) All necessary documents shall be provided to the Bank for maintenance of the accounts of the Association and for remittance related operations in these accounts:-
  - Account #. 0451650502628 (POA Pak Rupees)
  - Account #. 0451650502639 (Olympic House Pak Rupees)
  - Account #. 0450500000531 (USD POA)
  - Account #. 4320230524 (Pakistan Olympic Association)

## c. 1<sup>ST</sup> ANOC WORLD BEACH GAMES

The house was apprised that 1<sup>st</sup> ANOC World Beach Games will take place from 10 – 15 October, 2019 in San Diego – California, United States of America. The participation of athletes / teams will be subject to qualification as per procedure of ANOC or the International Federations concerned and availability of funds by the Pakistan Sports Board. The concerned National Sports Federations have been requested to share information regarding qualification system for their sport/athlete as and when informed by their respective International Federations.

#### d RENEWAL OF ELECTION COMMISSION OF POA

The house was informed that in accordance with the Article XII 2 (q) & Rule 1 of Election Rules of POA, the following Election Commission of POA and the Election Appellate Tribunal has been proposed by the President POA. The Executive Committee may consider and endorse their recommendations for the consideration and approval of the General Council:-

#### **ELECTION COMMISSION**

- Justice (Retd) Qazi Ehsaan Ullah Qureshi Chairman
   (Former Justice Peshawar High Court & Chief of Northern Court)
- Mr. Manzoor Ul Hassan, Senior Member
   (Former Olympian Hockey)
- Lt Col (R) Khalid Hussain, TI(M)
   Member
   (Former Secretary (G-I) Army Sports Directorate)
- Mr. Saeed Iqbal Khan

   (Former Vice President Pakistan Railways Sports Board)
- Mr. Parvaiz Ahmad Secretary
   (Former Vice President Pakistan Gymnastics Federation)

# **ELECTION APPELLATE TRIBUNAL**

- Mr. Muhammad Hanif Khatana Chairman
   Advocate General Punjab
- Col (R) Mudassar Asghar
   Former Olympian / Ex-secretary PHF
- Legal Advisor POA
   Member/Secretary

#### **DECISION:**

The house unanimously endorsed the above mentioned recommendation of President for the consideration and approval of the General Council.

# e. APPOINTMENT OF LEGAL ADVISOR OF PAKISTAN OLYMPIC ASSOCIATION

The house was apprised that in accordance with the Constitution of POA, the house may consider appointment of Mr. Ali Raza as the Legal Advisor on the recommendation of President POA.

### **DECISION:**

The house unanimously approved appointment of Mr. Ali Raza as the Legal Advisor of Pakistan Olympic Association.

#### f. VACATION OF RENTAL SHOP PROPERTY OF OLYMPIC HOUSE

The Secretary General informed that the honorable Lahore High Court, Lahore has desired from the POA to record their statement in case related to the vacation of shop situated in the Olympic Hose. The house authorised Secretary General POA to appear before the Honorable Court of the organizational requirements of POA for which the vacation of the premises is mandatory. It was further discussed that the POA must take all measures to get vacation of POA premises for its own use specially establishment of Olympic Academy.

#### g. RECOMMENDATIONS OF SUB-COMMITTEES

The house unanimously authorized the President to take all decision on behalf of Executive Committee for acceding approval to the recommendations of Finance and HR & Admin Committees regarding organizational structure of POA, and Olympic Academy including induction and wages etc. of employees / staff.

# h. LETTER OF AFP SENT TO ALL AFFILIATES IN RESPONSE TO MINUTES OF MEETING OF POA GENERAL COUNCIL HELD ON 12-01-2019

The Minutes of General Council Meeting of POA held on 12<sup>th</sup> January, 2019 were circulated vide POA-048/AMS/GC/049 dated 01 February, 2019 requesting comments / observations, if any, regarding correctness of the Minutes within 10 days.

The house was informed that the Athletics Federation of Pakistan sent a letter to all affiliates as well as to the IOC and OCA. This letter, which was placed before the Executive Committee, while confirming that the minutes had been recorded correctly, continued to object and challenge the decisions taken by the General Council and approved by the IOC. It was a matter of great concern that President AFP with just three votes (which included his own, that of his Secretary AFP and the third that of the lady member AFP) is not accepting the decision of the august house where 87 members out of a total strength of 99 members voted to approve the amendment. This shows a total disrespect for the House of which he is a member. It was also pointed out that in a recent interview of the President AFP on a TV channel, the House members (the General Council of POA) were referred to in a very derogatory manner. The recording of this interview is available along with the English and Urdu transcript and is also available for viewing (<a href="https://youtu.be/OaSOjyLKf4g">https://youtu.be/OaSOjyLKf4g</a>).

The house was explained that the reason for tabling the letter is to share with the house that current management of POA has been exercising restraint for the good of Olympic Movement, in accordance with the directions of President POA, by not replying to the misleading contentions raised by AFP from time to time. As the time passed, with the blessings of Almighty Allah, and as the truth unfolded, many realities came to light before the house and Olympic Family. We therefore believe that, now for the sake of propriety and record, a concise statement on behalf of the management of POA is needed to repudiate the misstatements made by AFP.

AFP has alleged that POA was responsible of parallelism in its letter. The house is well aware as to who formed a parallel POA (a first in the history of Pakistan) and who became the President of this illegal and parallel body despite being told to desist by the IOC as well as IAAF. After forming his own parallel federations he challenged the bonafide of the various genuine NFs before IOC. This, despite the fact that these bodies were recognised by their respective IFs. During this the POA and its President were accused of misstating before the IOC and OCA. However each time IOC / OCA endorsed the stance of the genuine POA and its management. Even the IFs validated the genuineness of our recognised Federations. Despite all this the President AFP continues to talk of parallel Federations.

All the litigation insinuated, by the losing candidates of the 2012 elections seeking external interference, were mainly aimed to oust either elected management of POA or NFs who extended unconditional acceptance of the Olympic Charter. President AFP has, once again, attempted to mislead the house, as he has been doing for most of the time in past. However each such attempt miserably failed due to the acumen of our learned

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colleagues in the house. Initially the line towed by the AFP that AFP was following the instructions of Government of Pakistan and courts of law was exposed when AFP became party in a case insinuated in Honorable Lahore High Court, Lahore challenging the decision of the Government of Pakistan in which it recognised the genuine POA led by Lt Gen (R) Syed Arif Hasan. And now this misleading letter.

The President POA opined that, Alhumdullilah, we are satisfied that ,at each platform, President POA and the whole Olympic Family successfully defended their position and protected the autonomy of Olympic Movement.

Reference was also made to the emails and letters received from Sindh Olympic Association and Balochistan Olympic Association is response to the letter of AFP as well as the stance of Pakistan Wushu Federation on recording of the minutes.

#### **DECISION:**

The house expressed great disappointment upon the letter of the President of the Athletics Federation of Pakistan and noted with great concern the misrepresentations made therein. It also expressed its concern over the vilification of the House on national TV. It was decided to discuss the matter in the General Council Meeting of POA scheduled on 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2019.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair and the chair also thanked all members of the Executive Committee for their participation.

Muhammad Khalid Mahmood

Secretary General

Pakistan Olympic Association

Approved by:

Lt Gen (R) Syed Arif Hasan HI(M)

President

Pakistan Olympic Association