MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING OF PAKISTAN OLYMPIC ASSOCIATION HELD ON
11th JANUARY, 2015 AT HOTEL CROWN PLAZA, LAHORE

The meeting of the Executive Committee of Pakistan Olympic Association (POA) was held on 11th January, 2015 at 11:30 A.M. in Hotel Crown Plaza, Lahore under the chairmanship of Lt Gen (R) Syed Arif Hasan, President POA. The following attended the meeting:-

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1. The meeting started with recitation from the Holy Quran by Syed Muhammad Abid Qadri, Vice President, POA.

2. The Secretary General informed the President that the quorum was complete and the House was in order and that the meeting could be started. The President, POA warmly welcomed all the participants to this momentous meeting especially newly elected members of Executive Committee of POA.

3. Mr. Muhammad Khalid Mahmood Secretary General, POA invited the house to offer prayers for the Martyrs of Peshawar School attack and for a harmonious, prosperous and peaceful future for Pakistani youth. The house offered Fateha for the departed souls and prayed for the future of Pakistan.

4. The house was also appraised of the sad demise of the Mother in Law of Syed Aqil Shah Vice President POA. The house offered Fateha for the departed soul and for her boon and benevolence.

5. The house was informed of a historic achievement of young weightlifters of Pakistan who won 6 x Gold and 3 x Silver Medals at the 17th Asian Youth Weightlifting Championship, Doha - Qatar 2015. The house offered its heartiest congratulations to the medalists and the Pakistan Weightlifting Federation (PWF) for their untiring efforts and dedication. The President POA, Lt Gen (R) Syed Arif Hasan was pleased to announce cash award of rupees One Lac each for two x Gold medalists.
(M/s Abdur Rehman Butt and Muhammad Nooh Dastgir), Rupees Fifty Thousand for 1 x Silver medalist (Mr. Fahad Hussain Butt) and Rupees Twenty Five Thousand each for their two coaches (M/s Irfan Butt and Ch. Mushtaq Ahmed). Hafiz Imran Butt, CEO PWLF was also congratulated for his selection on the Executive Board of Asian Weightlifting Federation.

6. The President, POA expressed his appreciation for the excellent conduct of International Handball Federation (IHF) Trophy 2014 at Faisalabad by providing international standards matting and facilities. The house congratulated Pakistan Handball Federation for this good venture.

7. The house was further appraised about the situation that surfaced due to the denial of visas to the Indian Handball team for participation in the event. Due to this PHF may face financial sanctions of US$40,000/- by IHF. The President POA opined that PHF should take up the matter with the Government. He also ensured the house that POA shall highlight this issue with Ministry of IPC and do it utmost to stop the possible sanctions by IHF with the support of OCA and IOC.

After the above discussions the following Items of Agenda were taken up:-

AGENDA ITEM # 1
CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 1ST July, 2012 AT AVARI HOTEL, LAHORE

8. Minutes of the last Executive Committee Meeting of POA held on 1st July, 2012 at Avari Hotel, Lahore were circulated to all the Members of Executive Committee vide POA’s letter No. POA-599/ECM-Minutes/2012 dated 23rd July, 2012 with the request to send comments/observations, if any, regarding correctness of these Minutes within 07 days of the issuance of the said letter otherwise it would be presumed that the Minutes were correctly recorded. POA Secretariat received no comment/observation.

DECISION: The house unanimously approved/confirmed the Minutes of the last Executive Committee Meeting held on 1st July, 2012 at Avari Hotel, Lahore.

AGENDA ITEM # 2
EXPENDITURE INCURRED FOR POA UPTO 31-12-2014

9. The Secretary General, POA presenting this agenda point apprised that the accounts of Pakistan Olympic Association were frozen at the direction of Government of Pakistan on 3rd Sep, 2013. This situation forced POA to incur all the expenses on cash basis. The scenario was brought into the notice of the General Council of POA that approved incurring of expenses on cash basis with the endorsement of POA Finance and Management Committees. Attention of the house was drawn to the cash statement (provided to the house) of receipts and payments (Pak Rupees and US$) for a period of 16 months from the 1st September, 2013 to 31 December, 2014. It was evident from these statements that an amount of Rs. 28,960,179/- and US$ 126,800/- was spent from 1st September, 2013 to 31 December, 2014. This expenditure included about Rs. 20 Million on account of Financial Assistance to various National Federations for participation in the Winter Olympic Games/Youth Olympic Games/Commonwealth Games/Asian Games/Asian Beach Games and legal expenses during this period.
10. The President, POA also appraised the house that our financial issues and limitations are well in the knowledge of IOC and OCA. He expressed thanks to the IOC/OCA for supporting the POA in difficult times.

11. The President, POA appreciated the Finance and Management Committees and the concerned staff who remained vigilant and accounted for every single penny to keep the financial record of POA updated.

12. The house was apprised that as per statements the balance amount with POA on 1st January, 2015 includes US$110,000/- provided by the OCA as a special grant for The Olympasia project to be built on POA owned land.

DECISSIONS:

a. The house expressed gratitude to H.E. Mr. Thomas Bach President IOC and H.E. Sheikh Ahmad Al-Fahad Al-Sabah for their continuous support to the POA.

b. Appreciating the effective control of POA Financial and Management Committees headed by Mr. Iftikhar Ahmed Tabassum and Mr. Shaukat Javed, respectively, the house approved the expenditure of Rs.28960179/- and US$126800/- incurred during the period from September, 2013 to December, 2014.

c. The audit of POA accounts pertaining to the period starting from 1.7.2014 to 31.12.2014 shall be got carried out by M/s Anjum Asim Shahid Rehman, Charted Accountants (approved by General Council in its meeting on 25-11-2014 for the audit of FY2013-14) so that audited accounts be sent to IOC/OCA for releasing the grant of 2014.

d. The Finance and Management Committees shall continue to manage the financial affairs of POA as per existing practices / SOPs till further orders/directions of President, POA.

e. The house commended the unprecedented efforts of President POA who despite all odds managed the funds for POA and extended financial and administrative support to various national federations to ensure their participation in mega international events.

f. Efforts to be made to find land for POA without financial implication to build Olympasia Project.

g. While appreciating the untiring efforts and dedication of Pakistan Weightlifting Federation (PWF) for the promotion of Weightlifting the cash prize announced by the President POA, Lt Gen (R) Syed Arif Hasan of rupees One Lac each for two x Gold medalists (M/s Abdur Rehman Butt and Muhammad Nooh Dastgir), Rupees Fifty Thousand for 1 x Silver medalist (Mr. Fahad Hussain Butt) and Rupees Twenty Five Thousand each for their two coaches (M/s Irfan Butt and Ch. Mushtaq Ahmed) was unanimously approved.
AGENDA ITEM # 3
PARTICIPATION OF PAKISTAN CONTINGENTS IN THE FUTURE INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

13. The house was apprised that the 5th Commonwealth Youth Games were being held in Samoa from 05-11 September, 2015. Nine sports i.e. Archery, Athletics, Aquatics, Boxing, Lawn Bowls, Rugby 7’s, Squash, Tennis and Weightlifting are on the schedule of these Games. CGA Pakistan/Pakistan Olympic Association has been given the allocation of 10 Athletes and 3 Accompanying Team Officials. The Rugby 7’s is (maximum of 12 per team) beyond this allocation. The President POA urged all the National Sports Federations to keep their data of athletes with potential achievement status ready so that there is no difficulty at the time of their accreditation.

DECISIONS:

a. The house unanimously authorized the President, POA to take decision for participation in the 5th Commonwealth Youth Games, 2015 and other international events to be held in 2015.

b. The Federations will keep themselves updated on the potential performance status of athletes and their whereabouts so that no time is wasted in this exercise before accreditation process starts.

AGENDA ITEM # 4
ELECTIONS OF KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA (KPK) OLYMPIC ASSOCIATION

14. Mr. Muhammad Khalid Mahmood requested Syed Aqil Shah, President, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Olympic Association (KPKOA) to apprise the house about the legal status of KPKOA. Syed Aqil Shah briefed the house that legitimate KPKOA had held its elections in accordance to the Constitution of KPKOA. In the meantime illegal and parallel body created to POA in connivance with Pakistan Sports Board (PSB) designed a parallel body to KPKOA. Mr. Ghulam Ali (so called President of the parallel and illegal body to KPKOA) filed a writ petition against the legitimate KPKOA. The Honourable High Court Peshawar on 21<sup>st</sup> February, 2013 ordered re-election of KPKOA. The orders of the Honourable Peshawar High Court to hold fresh elections are applicable upon the respondents who in this case are Syed Aqil Shah and Zulfiqar Ali Butt. Unfortunately the directions of the Honourable Peshawar High Court were purportedly misused as the Petitioner Mr. Ghulam Ali and group unlawfully held elections on 12<sup>th</sup> June, 2013.

15. Syed Aqil Shah, President, KPKOA filed a petition in the august Supreme Court of Pakistan where leave to appeal was granted against the judgment of Peshawar High Court vide order 4<sup>th</sup> July, 2013. The appellants however relying on the previous orders of the august Supreme Court of Pakistan dated 4<sup>th</sup> July, 2013 did not press their appeal which was dismissed by the august Supreme Court vide order dated 28<sup>th</sup> October, 2014.

16. The house was of the view that the facts clearly establish that the orders of the learned High Court Peshawar to hold fresh elections are in the field. Moreover the POA did not recognize the elections of Mr. Ghulam Ali and group.
17. The proposition of fresh election of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Olympic Association under the auspices of POA and for this purpose the constitution of Election Commission, Election Rules, Election Schedule and Electoral Role were deliberated by the house and it was decided as under.

18. The President, POA further informed the house that a comprehensive letter has been written to the Federal Secretary, Ministry of IPC to treat the Provincial Olympic Associations as autonomous bodies being creation of the POA and independent entities different from the National Sports Federations. And therefore National Sports Policy cannot be applied upon the Provincial Olympic Associations. He informed the house that this was necessitated because the Ministry of IPC while implementing National Sports Policy dovetailed Provincial Olympic Associations and National Sports Federations together for bringing them under their control. There has been no response from the Ministry of IPC as yet.

DECESION:

a. The house unanimously observed that the Order of Honourable Peshawar High Court, Peshawar is in field and as such the respondents, KPKOA headed by Syed Aqil Shah, is legally responsible to comply with these orders.

b. The house declared that the KPKOA headed by Syed Aqil Shah is recognised by the POA thus any elections or body created thereto has no legal and lawful authority to claim itself as KPKOA. The house declared the illegal and parallel body created to KPKOA as having no locus standi.

c. The house decided that being an autonomous formation the KPKOA is competent to frame the Election Rules and constitute the Election Commission of KPKOA.

d. The Election Rules of KPKOA shall be in accordance to the constitution of KPKOA and shall conform to the decisions and instructions of IOC/OCA and POA.

e. The KPKOA under the Presidentship of Syed Aqil Shah shall hold fresh elections in shortest possible time in consultation with Election Commission of KPKOA. Pakistan Olympic Association shall observe these elections through its representative

f. The house decided that POA shall verify and issue the list of Presidents and General Secretaries of Provincial Associations confirmed by the National Sports Federations duly recognised by the POA and International Federations.

g. The chairman of the Election Commission shall be apprised by the POA the factual position of the KPK Olympic Association and holding of its fresh elections as stated above.

AGENDA ITEM NO.5
SITUATION OF OLYMPIC MOVEMENT IN PAKISTAN

19. Lt Gen (R) Syed Arif Hasan, President POA briefed the house on current status of Olympic Movement in Pakistan. He informed the house that the august Supreme Court of Pakistan has fixed the hearing of case of autonomy of POA on 15-01-2015. He expressed that the stance of POA and IOC/OCA will be well presented before the court.
20. Regarding re-possession of the Olympic House, the President, POA apprised that he met the former Chief Secretary of Punjab in this context. However the matter has unnecessarily been referred to Sports Board Punjab (SBP), which in our opinion has nothing to do with this case as the Olympic House was expropriated by PSB. This only reflects the bureaucratic tactics.

21. The house was informed that one of the local currency accounts of POA has become operative whereas efforts are in hand for reinstatement of rest of the accounts.

22. He informed the house that POA has kept the IOC and OCA updated about the expropriated Olympic Properties in Pakistan.

23. The house opined that on the re-possession of the Olympic House, the first exercise will be the survey of the assets of the Pakistan Olympic Association that were forcibly taken over by the illegal parallel POA. After proper scrutiny, removed/damaged assets will be listed separately whereas the available assets will be examined and ased on their utility and workability.

24. It was observed with concern that rent of shops/offices situated at the premises of Olympic House was being taken by the illegal parallel Olympic Association and it was deemed by the house as embezzlement of the rent of shops/offices.

25. The house unanimously agreed that a committee of 3 or 4 persons headed by Lt Gen (R) Syed Arif Hasan may hold meetings with Minister of Sports and Secretary of IPC for repossession of the Olympic House.

26. Although Pakistan Olympic Association has kept the IOC/OCA abreast of the misuse of Olympic Properties by the illegal parallel Olympic Association, yet the house felt strongly the need to re-apprise them of these illegalities and about the culprits unlawfully using the Olympic Properties in Pakistan.

27. The house was apprised that after issuance of letters by PSB for the repossession of Olympic House and restoration of Bank Accounts of POA, only one local currency account has so far been made operative, whereas the deadlock is still continuing in respect of other local and foreign currency accounts.

28. The house was informed that special grant of IOC was given to AFP for upgrading its structure in 2012. As per IOC requirements, utilization report was required and as such was due from Mr. Muhammad Zafar of AFP. Mr. Muhammad Zafar despite various reminders failed to submit the expenditure report. Resultantly POA failed to submit the required document before IOC that presents negative impression of working of POA.

29. It was sadly observed by the house that the role of Mr. Syed Azhar Ali Shah in sabotaging the election of POA and his affiliation with parallel bodies created to POA and KP Olympic Association was very illegal and dubious. It was resolved that this individual may not be associated in any manner with any sport in the country in the future.
30. Mr. Masood Ahmad of Judo Federation also played the same role as demonstrated by Mr. Syed Azhar Ali Shah that caused a great setback to the Olympic Movement in Pakistan. The house also recommended similar action against him as demanded against Mr. Syed Azhar Ali Shah.

31. The house was informed that AFP, PCF and PJF were affiliated with their respective International Federations and according to the IOC policy, they have to continue as such. However the IOC took serious notice of the involvement of these National Sports Federations in destabilizing the Olympic Movement in Pakistan and fighting a court case against the legitimate POA. The International Federations were also informed by Lt Gen (R) Syed Arif Hasan, President POA of the ugly and negative role and their filing court case against the legitimate POA in Pakistan and sabotaging the Olympic Movement of Pakistan. The International Federations concerned issued stern warnings to these Federations and resultanty they claimed to the IFs to have withdrawn their court cases but factually and on ground did not do so. On the face of facts they are still continuing their dubious role in destabilizing the Olympic Movement and the legitimate structure of POA.

DECISIONS:

a. The house unanimously decided that comprehensive efforts shall be made for the re-possession of Olympic House including all the assets and a 3 to 4 Member Committee headed by President POA will arrange a meeting with the Minister of Sports and Federal Secretary IPC in this regard.

b. After taking over of possession of Olympic House, all assets will be listed. Anything lost/damaged will be recovered from the illegal occupants through administrative/legal actions.

c. The rental of shop/offices received by the illegal POA will also be recovered through administrative/legal actions. Notices should also be sent to the respective tenants in this regards.

d. The bank accounts of local and foreign currency will be got released through administrative action of Government of Pakistan.

e. Mr. Muhammad Zafar of AFP will again be contacted for the utilization report of special funds allocated to AFP. In case of non compliance disciplinary action should be taken against him.

f. M/s. Syed Azhar Ali Shah and Masood Ahmad of PCF and PJF, respectively, will in no manner be associated with any sport in the country. They should be served show cause notices for their activities harming Olympic Movement in Pakistan and violating the direction of POA/OCA/IOC

g. IOC and OCA will be kept updated on the undesirable and dirty role of the AFP, PCF and PJF for destabilizing Olympic Movement in Pakistan to great disadvantage of athletes.

AGENDA ITEM NO.6
ANY OTHER MATTER WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR

32. A few points were discussed with the permission of the chair and unanimously decided as under:-
DECISIONS:-

a. That stern action be taken against the units/federations/individuals for filing cases in the court of law against POA especially when a recourse was available to them in the form of arbitration and appeal before the General Council and also against those creating parallelism in National Sports Federations in violation of Constitution of POA and the Federation concerned as well as the Olympic Charter.

b. The President POA being competent authority may kindly reform the following existing Commissions and Committees keeping in view of the newly elected office bearers and members of Executive Committee.

c. POA will send recommendations/suggestions to Ministry of IPC regarding Cash Awards to Medal Winners of International Events after consolidating the comments/suggestions received from National Sports Federations.

d. Pakistan Sports Board shall be approached to issue cheques in lieu of those cheques which were issued to the various National Sports Federations on account of last installment of annual grant for FY 2013-2014 but dishonoured on account of lapsing of funds of FY 2013-2014.

e. Stern action will be taken against departments/individuals who become party in the organization of illegal competitions being organized by parallel bodies.

f. Bilateral games between Pakistan and Afghanistan will be negotiated with NOC Afghanistan ensuring all related issues including security and finances etc.

g. Proposals for constitutional amendments will be invited from affiliated units to update Constitution of POA in order to make it more comprehensive, effective and a good administrative instrument.

There been no other point the meeting ended with a vote of thanks to and from the chair.

Muhammad Khalid Mahmood
Secretary General
Pakistan Olympic Association

APPROVED:

Lt Gen Syed Arif Hasan (Retd)
President
Pakistan Olympic Association