

INTERNATIONAL TABLE TENNIS COMMITTEE
FOR THE DISABLED



TECHNICAL DELEGATE

EVALUATION REPORT

Name of Tournament : _____	withing the All Africa Games 2003 Table Tennis tournament for the Disabled
Ranking Factor Approved for : _____	20
Name of the National Federation : _____	COJA and ASCOD
Name of the Chairman of the Organizing Committee : _____	Mr. Olusola Luke
Dates of Play : _____	October 9 - 14, 2003
Name of Technical Delegate : _____	Jiri Danek - CZE
Report submitted to IPC and ITTC : _____	January 12th, 2004

Accommodation : Accommodation of participants was in the special Village of the 8th, AAG in Abuja. The accommodation was simple, but sufficient for all standing players. Some of wheelchairs, had problems, therefore not all were accessible for them. The other members of delegations had to help them. The Village was prepared for ablebodies athletes. The meals were in the main dining room in Village, sometimes with the packet for a lunch. The quality of the meals was maximal average only.

Transport : The whole AAG was very big sport meeting of ablebodies athletes from the whole African countries. There were more than 7 000 athletes + about 2 000 next staff and officials, in 23 different sports there. In this number were maximal about 300 disabled athletes in three sports : Power lifting, Light Athletic and Table Tennis. Transport was one of the biggest problem there. Never somebody knows some right times of buses. The problems had all of disabled sports. Buses weren't accessible for wheelchairs. There were new, big and very modern Mercedes buses, but all of them with a lot of steps in!! The delegation had always to load and to unload all of wheelchairs only handly. Most of the officials stayed in the hotels in City. They had still bigger problem with transport, the whole time. Only officials, with the awarded car with driver, hadn't these problems. For all of participants – to come for some meeting or competition in time, was mostly impossible.

Venue : The Venue for table tennis competition of ablebodies (it was for African players Olympic qualification too !) and disabled , was the same hall in LUNGI BARRACK – big military area, near Abuja. We could use there 8 playing tables for our competition and ablebodies 6 tables only. No practise tables were there. Therefore both of tournaments were in the same days, all of the better time took ablebodies for their competitions. No some special Organizers of disabled tournament were there and therefore the partition of the playing time was quite discriminating for disabled tournament. We could possibility to play always only when ablebodies had break for lunch (12 – 02p.m.) and when they finished their daily programme (from 18 – 19 until 22 p.m.). Hall had proportions : 40m x 19m.

Floor :	red tarraflex
Lighting :	approximately 700 Lux, but very often, the electricity was uncoupled and was necessary to wait some times. No daily light was there.
Ventilation :	it was installed, but scores of time it was out of order
Spectator seats :	place for spectator were around the field and on the balcony.
Referee's table :	in the middle of the longer side of the hall
Gluing room :	room, out of the hall
Officials rooms :	doctor's room + first aids room, computer centre,

<u>Officials</u> :	Tech. Delegate:	Jiri Danek	CZE
	Classifiers :	Sandra Sonn Hilary Beeton	RSA RSA
	Referee :	Zaida Lyners	RSA (ITTF/ITTC umpire)
	Deputy referees :	Rev .B. Adeleye Alhaji Oguhdele	NIG (NTTF referee) NIG (NTTF referee)
	Umpires :	21 umpires from Nigeria only	
	Ballboys :	20 ballboys (approximately)	

Organizing Committee : During the whole tournament, I didn't see some special Organizer of the IPTTC tournament !!!

Evaluation :

1. The 8th AAG was mostly big competition for the ablebodies athletes from the whole African Region, organised by COJA. Sport of disabled was only very small part of this one.
2. The whole organisation of the disabled competition was very bad. The officials and the staff of participated delegation had to shift for themselves. It was the only way to play and finish our events.
3. We were lucky, we had splendid referee, Mrs Zaida Lyners from RSA, which proved to lead the tournament very well, together with deputies and excellent umpires.
4. We need very often the help from ASCOD with some different problems. I have to thank very much for this help, therefore Dr. Nabile Salem and Dr. Hossam Mostafa, helped us always very energetically.
5. From the OC of AAG, only Mrs. Fatima B. Yusuf, tried to help us always, when we needed it and sometimes it wasn't too easy for her. We have to thank her for it very , very much. Without her help, for example, nobody got the medals after the tournament !
6. Ballboys helped us during the tournament very much. They made not only "ballboys" job, but helped us with all of the other job in the hall too.
7. To give together two tournaments (152 ablebodies + 81 disabled players) in one, small hall, in the same date was indiscreet decision. At least, we finished there both of the tournaments, but the conditions of disabled tournament were worse than bad and OC didn't help us with these conditions. **No next tournament will may have the similar level of the organisation !!!**
8. Nosiru Bello, coach of Nigerian national team helped us with the organisation of the tournament very much. Only he was able to organise the preparation of tables and help us with the ballboys and with a lot of next problems during the tournament which we had. I would like to thank him for it very much.

December 30th , 2003

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