

INTERNATIONAL PARALYMPIC TABLE TENNIS COMMITTEE

A Standing Committee of the International Paralympic Committee

ELECTIONS FOR REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR 2003 - 2005

PROCESS: due to the decision to elect regional representatives being taken at the SAEC meeting held in Sydney in October 2000, the following explanation should assist the process of elections.

The resolution taken in Sydney was that the regional representatives should be elected at the regional championships starting the year after the Sydney Paralympic Games for a 4-year term of office. Voting for these positions should be by that region's national members and not by the whole world. The two new positions Africa-Middle East and Europe will be filled at this year's respective regional championships. The regional representatives from the Americas and Asia and South Pacific were elected in Sydney and will be voted for again in 2001 the same way.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS: will be distributed with the notice of the meeting as set out below in the deadlines section. Accompanying this explanation will be the formal nomination form.

The characteristics of the ideal nominee are:

- 1. He or she must be familiar with the sport of Table Tennis and be willing to help develop the sport in the region.
- 2. He or she must speak and understand English as this is the official language of the IPTTC & IPC.

The nomination forms include the details required i.e. full name of candidate, position for which he or she is nominated, name and signature of proposing member together with a background [sport specific] of the nominee and the signature of the nominee.

NOTE: that all the nomination forms should be returned to:

Acting Regional Representative PO Box 59193 Kengray 2100 South Africa

Fax: +27 11 616 4176 Email: burchell@mweb.co.za

DEADLINES: the deadline for the nominations is 1 or 2 September 2003 (the original forms must be brought to the IPC Table Tennis African-Middle East Championships).

VOTING PROCEDURES: will be as follows:

- i) the voting be conducted by secret ballot on forms supplied by the secretary of the General Assembly;
- ii) the General Assembly will appoint a chairperson and independent scrutineers;
- iii) the nominee polling the highest number of votes will be declared elected;
- iv) should there be an equality of votes, there will be a re-vote for the relevant 2 nominees to break the tie;
- v) the result will be declared (without revealing the number of votes polled by each candidate);

vi) once the election results have been declared, the General Assembly will give permission for the ballots to be destroyed.

MANDATES: please also note that each NPC should nominate a representative to attend your regional assembly and to vote on your behalf and that of the table tennis players in your country. You may also nominate a delegate who does not have the power to vote. This mandate form should be completed and returned to the IPC Headquarters.

ENQUIRIES: should you have any questions about the above, please feel free to contact the following:

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