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## Report of the Board of Directors by the Executive President

Dear Friends, dear IBSSA members,

The last congress held at Budapest, the end of November 1998 was a milestone in IBSSA's history. The Congress elected a team for leaders and clearly described the aims and main guidelines for the future.

Hereby I would like to report you, what the board of directors succeeded to do since the last Congress.

As you know, the last Congress agreed, that the  $6^{th}$  congress will be hosted by our Russian members in Moscow, November 1999. In October 1999 a delegation of the board visited Moscow to control the Congress preparations and other general conditions, however during the stay Mr. Morozov, the IBSSA Representative in Russia and Goskoncert Russia, made a good preparatory work and the delegation had some very high level meetings, due to the instable political situation and the ongoing war against Chechnya, the Board decided to cancel the organization of the Congress in Moscow. Italy offered to host the Congress, but asked some months time for the preparations. Romania, the official reserve endorsed the proposal. After some board members checked the conditions, the Board of Directors decided that the  $6^{th}$  Congress should be held at 17 – 19 March 2000 in Caorle, Italy.

As IBSSA Italy is one of the most active organizations inside IBSSA we have no doubts, that it will be a great event. I wish to thank Dr. Bertoletti, his team and all active Italian IBSSA members for their contribution and work.

Since the last Congress nearly every month there were Board Meetings and meetings of the departments held. The most active was the Education & Qualification Department, but the IBSSA International Sport Federation started to work as well. Many members visited the HQ.

Leadership members visited many countries and many local events were held with Press Conferences.

Board and Department meetings and other main events were held at:

Israel (Tel Aviv):	04. 23. 1999
Italy (Milan, Sicilia, Bologna)	09. 18. 1999, 12. 16. 1999
Romania (Arad)	10. 17. 1999
Czech Republic (Zlin)	09. 08. 1999
Slovakia (Bratislava)	09. 10. 1999
USA (Miami)	10. 15 1999
Hungary (Szolnok, Kiskorös, Budapest)	05. 03. 1999
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Switzerland (Geneve)	05. 07. 1999
Germany (Bochum)	06. 12. 1999
Greece	02. 20 1999
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IBSSA training courses were held at Switzerland, Israel, Italy, Hungary, and Romania.

Frequent publications and TV about IBSSA were published in Hungary, Italy, Poland, Israel, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Romania, Latvia, Uzbekistan and several other countries.

IBSSA has new active members from Singapore, Japan, Austria, Germany, GB and many countries more. The better structure and organization, the very active leadership resulted a rapid development in membership. It is a good sign that majority of the new members are representing security companies. On the other hand, due not payment of membership fees many former individual members were excluded. There for the quantity of membership was not growing but the quality changed very positive Today we can report nearly 100 countries, over 1000 members of which 70 - 75% represent security companies or organizations. It is necessary to mention here, that IBSSA in form of "Associated membership" has good cooperation with many other world and regional organizations.

Of course this report gives limited possibility to reflect everything was done, but it is not necessary, because the Headquarters succeeded to develop the central administration and documentation. Now IBSSA has a very updated and well operating database program.

With this program we ISSUE every 1 - 2 month a new CD Rom. The CD Rom is free for members and was/will be given everybody who asks for. Country representatives receive it automatically. The CD Rom is confidential as it contains the complete membership and all meeting minutes.

The most important information's and all main documents, reports, minutes of meetings and activities are to be find on the INTERNET (<u>www.ibssa.org</u>)

As by the INTERNET and CD-rom everybody has possibility to know the decisions and what happened it is no need to explain more details in this report.

All members could feel that the Board was also successful by building the image of IBSSA world wide, by solving some technical problems the issue of the yearly ID cards is quick enough now.

The leadership is still using very much the written information by post, which is slow and expensive. It is very positive, that in several countries IBSSA News Letters are published on different languages.

In many countries IBSSA national organizations were founded and mainly the proposed structure (Romanian proposal during last congress) was followed.

Education & qualification Department made a very hard and successful work they elaborated the different levels, categories and all necessary requirements for the security professional. (Security guard, security agent, bodyguard, security director, instructors, etc)

They organized some very high level training courses and elaborated a permanent long term International Training Program with the involvement of 10 countries for the future.

This program will be introduced during this congress.

The contribution of the "Israeli College for Security and Investigation" and "CEFAS" from Switzerland was very important, thank for it.

Preparations for the Bodyguard Championships and other sport events were started last year. The first IBSSA Bodyguard World Championships will be held at Czech republic / Zlin this year. The host will be Mr. Alexandr Cach, IBSSA Representatives in Czech Republic, and his company "Graddo".

Slovakian, Romanian, Italian, Israeli, Austrian and Hungarian members already participate at the preparations and visited Graddoland.

Mr. Luis Baguena/ Spain, President of the IBSSA Sport Federation started his work and in some countries IBSSA National Sport Federations are under construction.

The Hungarian IBSSA section elaborated a draft for the "Ethical Codex of IBSSA" this will be introduced for the delegates of the 6th Congress. Thanks for the serious contributions Hungary! The IBSSA Diplomatic department was established. Mr. Morabito was appointed as chairman.

Many new ideas were brought up during the official meetings and IBSSA started to work on them: - to found an "IBSSA Museum" the board is waiting proposals for site!

- 1. Qualification with prices of the best security companies of the year.
- 2. Qualification with prices the best "bodyguard" of the year.
- 3. Testing security products.
- 4. To publish a new International Magazine about Bodyguards and Security!

When IBSSA is building its network worldwide, there are some administrative difficulties. For instance if in a country our members wish to register a national organization, usually it is not enough to have a declaration from the President, but official registration documents, statutes etc are required.

To solve this problem the Board of directors made the following decisions.

- 1. A form of contract must be elaborated urgently, which will regulise the relation "rights and obligations between IBSSA and its National Member Organizations". (IBSSA Hungary, IBSSA Italy...etc.)
- 2. To easy the solution of the registration procedures we ask the Congress to adopt some necessary documents, which are due to the statutes all officially decided before.
- 3. The IBSSA registration numbers, date and place are:
  - 4. France: 09. 06. 1994; No. 1/08756; 107 Av. Mahieu 94100 Saint Maur des Fosses, France
  - 5. United States: 25. 02. 2000; No. P00000019902; 111 N.W. 183<sup>RD</sup> St. suite 518 Miami Fl. 33169 USA
  - The HQ of the IBSSA is 1122, Budapest, Hungary Goldmark K. u. 35
  - The General Secretariat (2<sup>nd</sup> HQ) si: Dr. Rony Kluger
  - 11 Mizrachi str. Petach Tiqva, 49501 Israel

b., The elected board is consistedMr. George PopperExecutive PresidentDr. Rony KlugerGeneral Secretary

Dr. G.S. Bertoletti Vice President

Dr. Marko Nicovic	Vice President
Mr. Silvere Salvisberg	Vice President

Elected at 5<sup>th</sup> Congress 1998. November for 5-year period.

c., The statues of IBSSA, as promised before were translated into English and all decisions of the former Congresses are now involved.

For the 6<sup>th</sup> Congress there is no new proposal to change anything, but please endorse this form for administrative reasons.

d., The guiding language of IBSSA, following the International praxis, should be English in the future. French is still official language of IBSSA.

e., IBSSA was parallel registered in the USA to defend our rights and make easier building the International structure.

Near to the end we would like to say some words about finances:

Following the decisions of the  $5^{\text{th}}$  Congress and the Board of Directors to keep finances in order is the responsibility of the Executive President, together with the General Secretary and one Vice President. All expenses are based on general rules and board decisions. An official Australian/Hungarian auditor audited the books of 1998 and 1999. His report is enclosed. He did find everything in order.

How ever we would like to underline, that there is still a big problem with the balance, as many members didn't pay membership fee in time or at all! It is easy to see that the work done since the last year did result very high expenses and our incomes are far not enough to cover it. The enclosed balance sheets of 1998 and 1999 show how big the deficit was!

We were only able to do this great work because Board of Directors and some Executive Committee members, contributed by covering partly or all of their IBSSA related work expenses! Thank you very much for this contribution, but it is sad, because if all members would pay their membership fee, than such extra contribution is not necessary. It is also not normal, that some leaders are having very much work with IBSSA without any payment and even their related expenses are not covered by IBSSA.

Concerning the budget of IBSSA it is easy to understand that the non – payment of membership will not only result deficit but also makes impossible to realize the former plans. There for I propose, that the congress will adopt the same budget for 2000 and 2001 as it was 1999 and we keep this system until the Board can not solve the financial problems. It is foreseen, that till end of 2000 it is realistic.

We hope that this situation will change after the 6<sup>th</sup> Congress.

All members should know, that to pay the membership fee is a basic obligation.

There is no need that invoices and several letters will be sent frequently asking for payment.

We will follow the valid decisions, non-payment of membership fees will result automatic suspension or disclosure.

As I mentioned before our report is complete together with all minutes of the last period, which you can find on the IBSSA CD Rom and Internet.

Please don't forget, that our program and responsibility was described for a 5-year period.

We feel and hope you agree, that the first year was successful and we must follow up, what we started. Work will be more and more so we need any assistance and contribution of the members in the future.

Finally I wish to thank the work of all active members. Thanks for the organizers of the congress. Thanks for all delegates for their attention and activities.

Sincerely yours

George Popper Executive President

03. 18. 2000 Caorle/Italy

Enclosures: Balance 1998 Balance 1999 Budget 2000 Budget 2001 Audit report Updated Statutes of IBSSA Ethical Codex of IBSSA International Training Program