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**Report on the 2<sup>nd</sup> IBSSA International Bodyguard Ball**

On the 23<sup>rd</sup> of March 2001, In-Kal Security Company – in cooperation with IBSSA – organized the very successful 2<sup>nd</sup> International Bodyguard Ball in Budapest in Hotel Gellért.

Patrons: Dr. Sándor Pintér, Minister of the Home Affairs of Hungary  
Dr. Péter Orbán, Chief of the National Police Headquarters of the Hungarian Police  
Dr. Antal Kökényesi, Leader of the Budapest Police Office  
Mr. George Popper, Executive President of IBSSA

Honorary guests: Mr. István Gémesi police general, Commissioner of the Government Guard  
Mr. István “KOKO” Kovács, WBO professional boxing world champion

Hostess: Ms. Ágnes Helbert, Miss Hungary 2001

More than 250 participants from 14 countries of 4 continents – Austria, Australia, Canada, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Libya, Moldavia, Romania, Russia, Slovakia, Ukraine, the USA and Yugoslavia – were present at this event. Excluding the members of IBSSA many Hungarian and foreign high police officers – for example the president of the Hungarian Police Academy –, security experts and politicians honored the ball.

It was a fascinating event where “ADVANCED TASER” a less lethal weapon was shown first in Hungary here during the evening. Mr. John L. Maczko – Chairman of Narcotics Policy Department of IBSSA demonstrated the Taser. What happens, is that 2 probes are fired at the suspect and an electrical charge is delivered through “taser wire” from the hand held pistol like unit. The “T-Waves” pass through the body causing loss of control over the entire body’s muscular system. The unit can be fired at a range of around 5 meters. The system also has a back up shocking feature should it be needed. The system is safe, reliable and extremely effective. More information can be requested through Narcotics Policy Department of IBSSA.

Mr. Attila Farkas, member of IBSSA – who was for years the security front man of Michael Jackson and worked for such famous people as George Bush, Robert Duvall, and Robert Redford etc. – received the “Award for International Bodyguard Services”. This award was established recently by IBSSA and was handed over to Mr. Farkas by Mr. George Popper – Executive President of IBSSA and Dr. Giacomo Spartaco Bertolotti – Vice President of IBSSA assisted by Mr. Joseph Polyák – Chairman of Protocol Department of IBSSA and Bodyguard of the Year 2000.

Mr. István „KOKO” Kovács – WBO professional boxing world champion, Hungarian Champion, amateur European and World Champion, Olympic Champion – was elected as Honorary Member of IBSSA. The Membership Diploma was presented him by Mr. László Baráth – Country Representative of IBSSA for Hungary and Mr. György Lasz – Regional Representative of IBSSA for Hungary. Mr. George Popper – Executive President of IBSSA and Dr. Giacomo Spartaco Bertolotti – Vice President of IBSSA welcomed the new Honorary Member.

Congratulation and special thanks to Mr. György Lasz for the succesful organization of this event.

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