Minutes of the

IFTM GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JEJU – KOREA, October 1st, 2008

& Electronic Consultation for the IFTM Constitution

- 1. Welcome address: Prof. Eduardo Gotuzzo President of the IFTM
- 2. Delegates presentation: list below
- 3. Information concerning the Jeju Congress: Prof. Jong-Yil Chai presentation of general organization and scientific aspects of the XVII ICTMM with around 1200 participants coming from 63 countries.
- 4. Some comments from Prof. Eduardo Gotuzzo and Prof. Pierre Ambroise-Thomas (President and President Elect of the IFTM) on the organization of the XVII ICTMM that must be considered a great success taking into account that the Tropical Medicine Congresses traditionally fail to attract many sponsors and obtain important financial support.
- 5. Commitment of the new board to review the constitutions and send to colleagues from the Federated Societies to vote the new Constitutions. The new board also announces its wills of increasing and potentiating the relationship with the Federated Societies including through the divulgation of information concerning Tropical Medicine activities, meetings and courses in the website. As suggested by Prof. Gotuzzo, an increased representation and participation of the Federated Societies in the process of decision is also a new aim of this new board.
- 6. General Information on IFTM present and future:

Prof. Ambroise-Thomas, New President, presents the new Executive Board Members submitted to election.

- Pierre AMBROISE-THOMAS (FRANCE) President
- Cláudio Tadeu DANIEL-RIBEIRO (BRAZIL) President Elect
- Jong-Yil CHAI (KOREA) Secretary General
- Santiago MAS-COMA (SPAIN) Treasurer
- Eduardo GOTUZZO (PERU) Past President
- Jaime TORRES (VENEZUELA) Member at large
- Ogobara DOUMBO (MALI) Member at large
- Marcel TANNER (SWITZERLAND) Member at large
- Tsutomu TAKEUCHI (JAPAN) Member at large

- 2 colleagues from USA Member at large
- José RODRIGUES COURA (BRAZIL) Representative of the XVIII ICTMM

Construction of a new IFTM homepage: by Jong-Yil Chai (Secretary General)

- 7. Election for approval of the board.
- 8. Prof. Ambroise-Thomas acknowledged and congratulated Prof. Gotuzzo for the job he did as the President and his efforts in trying to obtain funds and improving the communication with the Federated Societies.
- 9. Presentation of the XVIII Congress in 2012 Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Although, according to the decision of the board at the XV ICTMM in Cartagena, the ICTMM are previewed to take place at each three years, the Board accepted, at the ICTMM held at Marseille in 2005, the Brazilian proposition to Organize the XVIII Congress only in 2012, four years after the Jeju Congress at 2008, to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Brazilian Society of Tropical Medicine (SBMT).

Prof. Coura, President of the XVIII ICTMM briefly presented the Brazilian and Rio de Janeiro facilities to host the Congress and some preliminary information on the local of the venue and the Committees composition.

- 10. During a visit to be organized to Brazil, Prof. Pierre Ambroise-Thomas, Prof. José Rodrigues Coura and Prof. Cláudio Tadeu Daniel-Ribeiro will sign a contract between the IFTM and the SBMT. The contract concerns: 1) all suitable meeting venue; 2) the participation of an IFTM board member at the Organizing Committee and the Scientific Committee of the Congress; 3) a surcharge of 10 US\$ to each regular registration for the Congress which will be paid to IFTM by the Congress meeting manager; and 4) the split evenly between IFTM and the SBMT of any profit remaining after payment of expenses.
- 11. The XIX Congress. For the Congress in 2015 the only proposal received has been presented by Australia, namely by Dr. Malcolm Jones, Representative of the Australian Society for Parasitology. The Board recommendation is that this option remains to be definitively decided after a visit to Australia in 2009 or during the ICOPA that will occur in that country in 2010.

Jeju, Korea, October 1st 2008

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