Minutes of the 54th FEMA General Meeting at Couzon au Mont d'Or, France on July 28, 2005

1. Greetings by the President

President of FEMA, Paul-Otto Ströbel opened the meeting at 19.25 hrs.

2. Statement of the Meeting

The following countries were present: Estonia, France, Germany, Great Britain, Hungary, Italy, Lithuania, Russia, Sweden and Switzerland. In total 10 countries.

3. Confirmation of the Agenda

Nils Björk (Sweden) made the proposal to discuss the Application of Switzerland before p.10.3 of the Agenda. It was confirmed with 100% of the votes, and next the Agenda was confirmed with 100% of the votes.

4. Confirmation of the Minutes of the last General Meeting

Confirmed with 100% of the votes.

5. Report of president P.O.Ströbel about the past racing season.

Despite the clear decision made at the last FEMA General Meeting in Basel about how to finance Grand Slam prizes, certain countries, such as Germany, Great Britain, France and Switzerland, have still not paid the fee of 20 Euros per active driver. The president expressed his disappointment in this matter. Taking into account that the countries with not the strongest economies have already paid their fees in full he assured everybody that he, together with the cashier will try again to have discussions at the EC with the not paying parties about how to increase the total sum of incoming payments. As a result, Switzerland and France have promised to make additional payments; in such case they will keep their Grand Slam results. Only Germany categorically refuses to make the payment, therefore they will be left out of the Grand Slam calculations.

Fortunately there were no accidents on the tracks in 2004, but we must continue our work with the security of the tracks. Calculations made in Sweden under the direction of J.E.Falk show us that the security is not sufficient on all of the tracks. We have to keep working to achieve improvements in this matter.

The president suggested that technical secretaries of countries should make check-ups of all tracks until GM 2006. Daniel Kiechl, technical secretary of FEMA will be our consultant.

The racing calendar that we had in 2004 and 2005 was not even. There were many competitions in June but only a few in July. We must change it by 2006. Depending on the season, more competitions should be held in the spring and in the autumn on southern tracks and in the summer more in the central and northern parts of Europe.

No new world records were set during the past season.

Bulgaria and England are interested in building new tracks.

6. Cashier's report from Oskar Rabenseifner

Everybody was informed of the current financial state. Only four countries have paid for Grand Slam prizes (Estonia, Poland, Russia and Sweden), all other countries have paid only 10 Euros per driver. Lithuania and some other countries wanted to have a talk

with the president about this matter. Switzerland wanted to receive an invoice on their paid fees. The cashier handed out the 2006 fee blanks.

7. Auditor's report

Serge Holc and Laurent Krasznai carried out the control of cash. Everything was in order; cash was kept clearly and without any recognizable errors. Auditor's report was confirmed with 100% of the votes.

8. Dissmissal of the presidium

The relief of the Chairmanship was approved 100% by the delegates. Thereafter the secretary general, treasurer, technical secretary and the secretary of organisation also handed in their resignation.

9. Elections

- **9.1** Proposal from P.O. Ströbel (President of FEMA) that Lembit Vaher (Estonia) should continue another 2 years as secretary general. It was confirmed with 100% of the votes.
- **9.2** Proposal from P.O. Ströbel that Oskar Rabenseifner (Germany) should continue another 2 years as treasurer. It was confirmed with 9 votes for and 1 neutral vote.
- **9.3** Proposal from P.O. Ströbel that Daniel Kiechl (Switzerland) should continue another 2 years as technical secretary. It was confirmed with 100% of the votes.
- **9.4** Proposal from P.O. Ströbel that Vladimir Krieger (Russia) should continue another 2 years as secretary of organisation. It was confirmed with 100% of the votes.

10. Proposals from the presidium

At first, Switzerland's application concerning the new beginners' class with the 2,1 ccm engine was discussed. Delegates accepted it as a possible new national class with an age limit.

10.1 Proposal: Only two international competitions per track in one year.

Counter proposal from N.Björk (Sweden): to allow three international competitions per track.

<u>Result</u>: Delegates decided to postpone this question until 2007 and to put it to the vote together with the corrections of technical regulations.

10.2 Proposal: To have a third run at the European Championships.

<u>Result</u>: It was confirmed with 100% of the votes but will not take effect before 2007 at the EC+WC.

10.3 How shall we continue with class 3 (3,5 ccm) after 2007?

<u>First proposal</u> from N.Björk (Sweden): no changes in class 3, to be continued as it is now. It was confirmed with 8 votes for, 1 vote against and 1 neutral vote.

<u>Second proposal</u> from H.Denneler (Germany): to remove class 3 from team competition at the European Championships.

Result: The proposal was rejected by the delegates with 8 votes against and 2 for it.

10.4 How many races will be counted at Grand Slam 2006?

<u>Proposal</u> from L.Adomavicius (Lithuania): 4 best points out of a 6-competition cycle will be taken into account.

Result: At the voting 6 votes were for, 2 against and 2 votes neutral. Proposal accepted.

10.5 Grand Slam 2006 monetary awards.

After heated discussions about how to pay the awards, a proposal was made by H.Denneler (Germany) not to have monetary awards in the future.

Proposal from H.Denneler (Germany): no monetary awards at the Grand Slam.

Result: At the voting 7 votes were for, 2 against and 1 was neutral. Proposal accepted.

11. Financial proposals for the coming year

After heated discussions about the high costs of printing annual FEMA brochures, licences etc., P.O.Ströbel made the <u>proposal</u>: 10 Euros per every driver and 100 Euros as a national annual fee.

Result: It was confirmed with 100% of the votes.

12. Proposals for the dates of EC and GP competitions.

EC 2006 will be held in Pila, Poland, on 05-06 August 2006. As nobody from Poland was present, president P.O.Ströbel agreed to contact Poland and get their confirmation.

EC 2007. H.Denneler (Germany) made the <u>proposal</u> to have the 2007 EC together with the WC in Jaroslawl, Russia. P.O.Ströbel should contact the WMCR directors in the USA and Australia to confirm it.

Result: It was confirmed by all of the delegates.

EC 2008. No proposals yet.

Other competitions for 2006:

GP+GS Hungary	0607.05	Kaposvar
GP Russia GP+GS Lithuania	2021.05 2728.05	Jaroslawl Vilnius
GP Germany	0304.06	Kapfenhardt
GP+GS Italy	1011.06	Monza
GP Sweden	1718.06	Örebro
GP France	0809.07	Lyon
GP+GS Switzerland	1920.08	Basel
GP+GS Estonia	0203.09	Tallinn

13. Other queries

England filed an application to change the dimentions of the bridle on class 3 in WMCR. The application was rejected because it belongs to the competence of WMCR not FEMA.

14. The President thanked the participants for attendance and closed the General Meeting at 21.35 hrs.

Lembit Vaher, General Secretary, took the minutes.