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## LETTRE D'INFORMATION DE LA FIE

Ladies and gentlemen,

The FIE Executive Committee, who were consulted on June 21, 2004, decided to withdraw from the Fencing Federation of Morocco the organisation of the Grand Prix and team competitions at women's foil for the 2004-2005 season.

This is because this federation has not paid its A-grade organising fees for the 2000-2001, 2001-2002 and 2002-2003 seasons.

You will be informed as soon as possible about the redistribution of these tournaments.

The FIE Executive Committee has been consulted about article t.86, which was modified during the Executive Committee meeting held in Stockholm on May 29 and 30, 2004.

The article t.86 had to be revised in order to clarify some remaining ambiguities in the previous text. **The new text will apply after the 2004 Olympic Games** and will be submitted to the 2004 Congress for approval. Please find hereunder the text (the modifications are shown in bold and underlined):

### Article t.86

#### **Before the start of the pool, the team match or the bouts of direct elimination (individual or team):**

- When a fencer or complete team do not present themselves to the Referee at his first call, **ten minutes before the time indicated to come onto the piste** for the start of the pool or team match, or the start of the bouts of direct elimination (**cf. Article t.43**), the fencer or team concerned will receive a **Black Card**.

**- A team is considered complete when at least three fencers are present;**

**- In a team match only those members of the team (the fencers, the team captain and one trainer – cf. Article t.92) who are present at the referee's first call ten minutes before the time indicated for the start of the match may take part in the match.**

In the course of the competition, individual or team

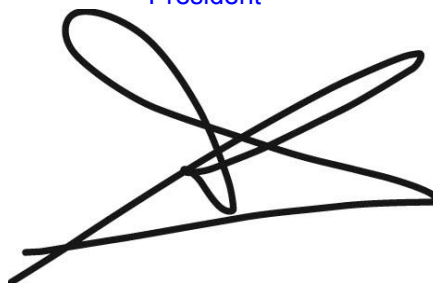
In the course of the competition, individual or team, when a fencer does not present himself on the piste, ready to fence, when ordered to do so by the Referee:

- The fencer or team member not present will be penalised with a yellow card;
- A second call will be made, one minute after the first call, followed by a red card for the fencer or team member not present;
- A third and last call will be made, one minute after the second call, followed by a black card (exclusion from the competition) for the fencer not present in an individual competition or for the whole team in a team competition.

Should a fencer abandon a bout by leaving the piste (cf. t.18/3), he will be penalised as specified in Articles t.114, t.116, t.120.

During a team match, should there be a modification in the order of bouts in the match, either intentionally or unintentionally, the team which has made the modification loses the match (cf. t.120, o.44).

René Roch  
President

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