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Conclusion of the 2nd Pattern Race Committee of IFAHR:

at: Radisson SAS Hotel / 33, avenue Edouard Vaillant / F-92 Boulogne
Monday, 2nd of October 2006 / 1:30 p.m. (effective beginning 2:15 p.m.)

Invitation made by: Comte Jean Pierre de Gasté
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Mrs. Nelly Philippot / Belgium
Mr. Hubert Lorenz / Germany
Mr. Wieger de Ruiter / Holland
Mr. Ryan Skelton / Qatar
Mr. Mats Genberg / Scandinavia
Mr. Charlie Corbett / UK

Observer: Mr. Faisal Al Mutawa / observer and IFAHR chairman
Mr. Sami Al Boenain / observer and IFAHR vice-chairman

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September 4th, 2006

2nd PATTERN RACE COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday 2nd of October 2006, 1:30 p.m.

Radisson SAS Hotel / Avenue Edouard Vaillant 31-33 / F-92100 Paris Boulogne / France

A G E N D A

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2. Evaluation of the Group races run in every country for the year 2006
3. Planning of the Group races for the year 2007
4. Procedure with the International Cataloguing Standards Committee
5. Any other business
6. Next meeting

It would be very important that you send us in advance the list of Group Races run or scheduled in your country for this season.

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1. Conclusion of last Pattern Race Committee Meeting

The Conclusions are read out and confirmed as true conclusions.

After discussion, the committee members remind the Jockey Club of Turkey of the agreement that the Pattern Race Committee has done specifically with them regarding the Group Races in Turkey and has confirmed in the article 14 of the rules voted on the General Meeting of the Pattern Race Committee on January 23rd 2006 .

Article 14. In order to recognise the unique situation in regard to Turkey, the following has been agreed: All the above items 1-13 shall only refer to the Group races referred to in article 13. Turkey will continue to run Domestic Group Races. These races will not be open to horses from outside Turkey and will be named as TURKISH GROUP RACES.

The record published by the Turkish Jockey Club does not refer to the agreement with IFAHR, and does not mention all their Domestic Group races as Turkish Group Races. And IFAHR still does not receive any race results from Turkey. All information included in the website of IFAHR net about Turkish races is information taken out from the official TJK website by the IFAHR webmaster.

Concerning item 12 of the Conclusions of the 1st Pattern Race Committee:

Penalties are to be used voluntarily – there is no commitment to implement the penalty rule.

Concerning item 6 of the Conclusions of the 1st Pattern Race Committee:

It is permit to downgrade a race, but not to upgrade a race.

Concerning item 10 of the Conclusions of the 1st Pattern Race Committee:

It is agreed by the Committee to change the number of horses from 6 to 4 horses. That means that the Conclusions change into: “All group races will be rated on the average handicap rating of the first 4 horses”

2. Evaluation of the Group races run in every country for the year 2006

The evaluation of races should be made in January. The status of a race is evaluated for a period of three years.

If –due to an exceptional circumstance- a race is not run for one year, this race does not automatically loose its status.

3. Planning of the Group races for the year 2007

The countries present discussed the suggested dates for the 2007 season and made some adjustments in order to avoid clashes.

	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT
1						
2		Chantilly G1			Paris G1	
3						
4				Lingfield/Deauville ?		
5		Lingfield	Newbury	Grp 3?		
6		Grp 3	Grp 2 6 furlongs			
7			NL 2 x G3			Group 2
8						
9		Newbury			Istanbul G1/Sweden G3	
10		Grp 2 Derby trial				
11			Newmarket			
12			UAE Derby Grp 1			
13						
14					Newbury/market	
15	Brighton			Belgium G2		
16	Grp3?					
17						
18						
19						
20						Baden Baden Germany - Gr.2
21			Belgium G3			
22			Newbury			
23			Dubai Day			
24						
25						
26						
27						
28		Sweden G3?				
29						
30						
31						

The 2007 calendar will be published in two steps in order to make it possible for all to plan

Part 1

Nov 2006 – April 2007

Part 2

May 2007 – Oct 2007

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The Pattern Race Committee reminds all IFAHR members to send the dates of the 2007 season approved pattern races to the secretary as soon as possible.

Part 1 – No later than Oct 30.

Part 2 – No later than the 2007 General Assembly (normally last weekend of January)

Dates received after these dates **will not be published in the calendar and stand a risk of losing their Group status.**

The Pattern Race Committee also wishes to express that ONLY races that have been approved by the committee may be submitted.

Mr Sami Al Boenain (Qatar) wishes to express his concern about the fact that the UAE did not have a representative with the power to decide, in regards to group races, present at this meeting.

He further stressed that a full collaboration between Qatar and the UAE is vital and that a synchronized calendar should be easy to achieve with a minimum of work.

4. Procedure with the International Cataloguing Standards Committee

A letter from Mr Louis Romanet, chairman of the ICSC expresses that ICSC recognizes IFAHR's pattern race committee as the authority on pattern races for Purebred Arabians.

The ICSC (International Cataloguing Standards Committee) is worldwide the only organisation authorised to prescribe names and appellation to organisers of sales auctions. A copy of the letter from ICSC to IFAHR dated 29th of August 2006 is enclosed at the end of this document.

The Pattern Race Committee agreed to follow the recommendations of ICSC but will use the term "Group 1 pa", "Group 2 pa" and "Group 3 pa".

From 1st of January 2007 on, these terms SHALL be used in all official publications such as catalogues, conditions, results e t c. And refer ONLY to races given its status by the IFAHR Pattern Race Committee.

In historic references (in stallion cards, auction catalogues e t c) the terms may also be used to describe the level of older races that are now (2006) Group races.

5. Any other business

Turkish races

The committee wishes to remind Turkey of the wording regarding national races that were agreed upon in the January 2006 meeting. And that the term "Turkish Group Races" is to be used in all communication regarding those races. And that the term "Group Xpa" is only to be used on races given this status by the Pattern Race Committee.

Prize Money

After a suggestion by Mr Sami Al Boenain (Qatar) the committee agreed that a Group 1pa race must have a minimum purse of the equivalent of €20,000. In addition to fulfilling the minimum average handicap level.

Level of races

The Pattern Race Committee asks all members to provide a list of the average rating of the 4 first horses in each Group race held in 2006 and if possible in previous years for the same race(s). This list is to be delivered no later than at the 2005 General Assembly.

6. Next meeting

According to the dates of the annual AGM beginning of 2007

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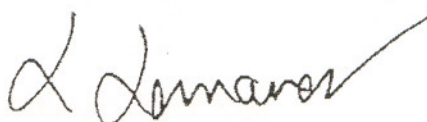
Cher Jean-Pierre,

Lors de la dernière réunion du Comité International des Courses de Groupes (ICSC), qui s'est tenu à Londres en juin, j'ai fait part de la création récente d'un Comité équivalent pour les courses de pur-sang arabe, sous l'égide de l'IFAHR et de son souhait d'utiliser la notion de « Groupe » pour catégoriser les meilleures courses.

Les membres de l'ICSC ont suggéré que soient systématiquement ajoutées les lettres « PA » pour « Pure Arabian » après le terme « Groupe 1, 2 ou 3 », qu'il soit utilisé dans les catalogues de ventes, même si ceux-ci sont réservés aux pur-sang arabe, ainsi que dans toutes les publications officielles (publications des conditions et résultats de courses, programmes hippodromes) des pays organisant des courses pour les chevaux de cette race.

Je ne doute pas que cette recommandation qui permet d'éviter tout risque de confusion sera retenue par votre Comité.

Je vous prie d'agréer, Cher Monsieur, l'expression de mes sentiments les plus distingués.



Louis ROMANET

cc : Mr Carl Hamilton