



INF-FNI LEGAL COUNCIL ORDER dated 20th December 2016

Given the complaint of the **FENAIT** (*Italian Naturist Federation*) dated 30 November 2016,

Given the complaint of the **Österreichischer Naturistenverband** (*Austrian Naturist Federation*) dated 30 November 2016,

Given the complaint of the **Vice-President Secretary Mr Jean Peters** dated 25 November 2016,

Given the complaint of **Liechtenstein** dated 25 November 2016,

Given the complaint of **Mrs Sieglinde Ivo** dated 29 November 2016,

Given the adversarial proceedings during which the parties were called upon to present their observations;

The following persons gave evidence at the hearing on 19th December 2016 in Strasbourg:

- **Sieglinde IVO**
- **Jean PETERS**
- **Armand JAMIER**

In the presence of:

Leslie Rabuchin for LC

Hervé Bégeot for LC

Having reviewed the declarations of each, as summarised hereinafter, at 15.05:

Armand: “I very much regret this situation as I would not have left the room if I had not been invited.”

Sieglinde: “I confirm that I never invited anybody to leave.”

Leslie: “Was there a problem of the delegation of proxies?”

Jean: “This occurred in session, when the delegate who should have left earlier (the Danish representative, with 2 proxies, Norway and Sweden) asked if he could pass his votes to somebody else.”



Armand: “This was done with the consent of everybody, and it was at this time that it should have been said that this was not possible. Nobody protested at the time, and the operations progressed to the end. The Congress closed without objection. On 25 November, I received a message from Mr Barboiron: “Armand did not declare his candidature himself, but through the South-African Federation and New Zealand Federation.”

Sieglinde indicates that with respect to the electorate, she left the room and did not come back in the afternoon to chair the workshops as nobody needed her.

The Legal Council indicates that there are two solutions:

Either the Council thinks that the poll was flawed and a new election should be ordered,

Or the poll was not flawed and Armand is declared President.

Armand asks whether he was responsible for a formal error. He would like recordings because he is certain of what he heard in his headset and that he was asked to leave the voting room!

Jean Peters is certain that nothing was said in this regard.

Leslie asks Armand if he would like to resign.

Answer: No

Jean Peters: “Do you know how much a new vote will cost?”

Answer: Yes

Hervé Bégeot: “Please tell us why the candidature of Armand Jamier was so late.”

Answer by Armand: “During the Congress, many Federations came to ask me to present myself. I did not say yes immediately, and I only agreed at the last minute before the election. It was not at all prepared.”

Sieglinde: “This is not correct. On the evening before, Federations came to ask me if I was still President of the INF-FNI. The question was therefore asked prior to the vote!”

Armand says that when he received the email from Hervé telling him of the complaints, this was confidential, but everything appeared on Facebook (on the French Federation page). The question is who posted it on Facebook?



Sieglinde asks who is the page administrator.

Sieglinde IVO and Armand JAMIER will agree with the decision and accept it.

As nobody else wanted to make statements, the hearing of the persons concerned closed at 15.45.

For these Reasons

Regarding votes for President,

The LC finds that the elections in NEW ZEALAND regarding votes for President are not to be considered as legal due to the fact that votes from Sweden and Norway were first passed to Denmark and later on passed to a third country.

According to the statutes, this is not allowed and the LC therefore decides that Swedish and Norwegian votes are not to be counted for the election.

Due to this fact, it is impossible to decide who had the most votes and therefore who has been elected President.

The LC considers the complaint to be justified and cancels the decision regarding the election of the President of INF-FNI.

The LC therefore issues binding instructions for a corrected decision as being necessary and reasonable.

In order to resolve this situation the LC has decided that the new general assembly shall be reopened in VIENNA (Austria) before the end of July 2017. Names of candidates for the Presidency must be forwarded to the INF-FNI office in Austria two months before and be communicated to all member organisations at least one month before. Proxies according to the statutes are allowed.

Until a new President is elected, Sieglinde Ivo will act as administrative President in order to handle ordinary duties.

In order to have an independent Presidency of the reopened general assembly the President shall be a member of the LC during the votes.

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