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## WORLD KARATE CONFEDERATION

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To all  
WKC member federations

9<sup>th</sup> July 2007

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Dear Mr. President,

The 6<sup>th</sup> WKC World Championships have been completed very successfully in Bergamo-Treviglio, Italy, 22<sup>nd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> June 2007. The Italian Organising Committee under FIAM President and WKC Director Maurizio Micheli have done a superb job to make everybody feel at home and the tournament a fantastic demonstration of WKC karate and spirit. Competitors and officials from all five continents participated at the Referee and Coach Seminar and the Championships in the PalaFacchetti (Sporthall) and the WKC Meeting in the Civic Hall of Treviglio. The Sporthall was most probably the best we ever used up to now in a WKC tournament.

Unfortunately the teams of three Russian member federations, of Azerbaijan and Nepal did not receive the required visa to enter Italy in time. We can only recommend that all federations wishing to take part in any WKC international event apply for the visa, if required, at least three months prior to the tournament.

During the Meeting the hosts of the next championships presented their host cities: the 6<sup>th</sup> European Championships will be hosted by the KSRS (President Siniša Gatarić) in the city of Banja Luka (Republika Srpska) and the 6<sup>th</sup> Junior World Championships & World Cup for Children by the KUS (President Franjo Horn) in Novo Mesto (Slovenia).

#### ***6<sup>th</sup> WKC European Championships***

***6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> June 2008***

Banja Luka, Republika Srpska, Bosnia & Hercegovina

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#### ***6<sup>th</sup> WKC Junior World Championships & World Cup for Children***

***23<sup>rd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> October 2008***

Novo Mesto, Slovenia

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A new federation joined the WKC and participated already at the Championships in Bergamo-Treviglio. We welcome the

**Al Aqsa Academy for Shotokan Karate, AAAP**

**Palestine**

**President Amin Bsharat**

in our confederation and wish their members all the best for the future in our midst.

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The **WKC** has recently joined the *International Martial Art Games Committee IMGCC*. The former President and now Honorary President is Prof. CHANG Ung, IOC member from the DPR of Korea. The IMGCC is sanctioned by the IOC to organise the International Martial Art Games.

The **3<sup>rd</sup> International Martial Art Games** will be held in **Bangkok, Thailand in April 2008**.  
Next to nine other martial art sports **karate** will be on the **program**.

The WKC members are invited to take part. We will keep you informed about this prestigious event and we recommend all our members very strongly to attend the Games. We will inform you regularly about the development of the IMGCC and the relations to the IOC.

Due to continuous undisciplined behaviour one coach of the KSRS, Mr. Dragiša Vuletić, has been banned from any WKC tournament until the 25<sup>th</sup> June 2008 by the WKC Executive Committee.

With deep sorrow we have to inform you that our South African official Mr. **Derrick Geyer**, Member of the WKC Referee Commission, and national squad member **Gordon Royffe** were killed in a tragic traffic accident. Our thoughts and condolences go to the families of the deceased.

Sincerely yours

WKC Executive Committee

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