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A G E N D A

of the FITA Congress in Prague, Czechoslovakia, in 1957.

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 - e) Other Members of the FITA Administrative Council 1957 - 1961. Electoral term is up for Mr. A.J. Barter, Australia, Mr. Axel Poulsen (Vice President), Denmark, Mr. José de Fagoaga Laguna, Spain, and Mr. Antti Hiekkamies, Finland. India suggests Mr. S.K. Thube, India, to be elected as a representative of Asia.
- ✓ 12. Motion No. 1 (Belgium).
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- ✓ 16. President's Proposal 4 about the Gilt FITA Plaque to be awarded H.M. King Baudouin of Belgium. *YES*
- ✓ 17. The 1959 World Championship Tournament. Sweden is the only country which has asked for it before June 1st, 1957, as stated.
- ✓ 18. Motion No. 8 (Great Britain) and President's Proposal 5, about "Long" and "Short" distances.
19. President's Proposal 6 about Challenge Prizes.
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21. Motion No. 10 (Czechoslovakia) about international judges. *NO.*
22. Sundry Questions.

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F I T A C O N G R E S S I N P R A G U E

M O T I O N 1/1957

Belgium

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It shouldn't be possible to re-elect the FITA president after a period of six or four years. It shouldn't be necessary for the General Secretary or for the Treasurer to be of the same nationality as the President.

The President's comments

At the Prague Congress this year, a new election will take place. The electoral term is up for - among others - the three Members of the Executive Committee, Henry Kjellson, President, Lars Ekegren, General Secretary, and Torsten Fahlman, Treasurer.

Before leaving the Presidency of the growing archery movement, I want to comment the Belgian Motion above as follows:

1. I find the Motion unnecessary. Nothing in the present Statutes prevents Congress from changing President after his normal term of four years. However, it takes time to learn the job. I think that obligatory changes of the President each fourth year are a bit dangerous, specially in a period of rapid development. And why shouldn't Congress be able to re-elect the President, if it wants to do so, and if it is to the benefit of our sport? A period of maximum four years is only one Olympic period, for example, and if we are going to be an Olympic sport once more, as we hope, a certain continuity will be needed.
2. We are not to be compared with the United Nations, where the title of President is more or less a title of honour. In our Federation the Executive Committee is a working team, where all Members have their special jobs to take care of.

This co-operation has given many fine results, so I am definitely against a change of Art. 3 of the Statutes, stating that the three Members of the Executive Committee should be from the same country, if possible.

As you remember, the President, the General Secretary and the Treasurer haven't always been of the same nationality. Our Federation then suffered hard because of the lack of contact between our leading officers. Now the Belgian Motion wants to bring us back to these old days again, which I find somewhat destructive. It cannot be a good solution to have the Members of the Executive Committee living far from each other.

3. As to my own situation, I haven't much to say. I have served our Federation as President for eight years, and that is a quite sufficient period for me. I now feel that the Belgian Motion is a hint to me to withdraw. I therefore leave my duties, content to have seen archery grow up and get introduced in five continents during these years. We are also well on our way to the Olympic Games.

President's Report

Archery is growing, all over the world. Since my latest report Canada, Cuba, Germany, India, Luxembourg, Turkey and Venezuela have been affiliated, and more countries can be expected to join us in 1957.

Italy is a special problem, when thinking of the Olympic Games in Rome in 1960. If we can get a strong Italian Archery Association started now, we shall have an opportunity of becoming re-introduced as an optional Olympic Sport at that time. The Italian Shooting Association seems to be interested in starting a special Archery Section. Let us hope for the best.

The XVIIth World Championship Tournament took place in Helsinki on July 19 - 22, 1955. The total number of competitors was 89, representing the following Nations:

	<u>Ladies</u>	<u>Gentlemen</u>	<u>Total</u>
Belgium	2	8	10
Czechoslovakia	4	5	9
Denmark	5	4	9
Finland	5	7	12
France	3	-	3
Great Britain	7	5	12
Norway	2	5	7
Poland	4	4	8
South Africa	-	1	1
Sweden	4	7	11
Switzerland	-	3	3
USA	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>4</u>
	39	50	89

Katarzyna Wisniowska, Poland, won the ladies' competition, scoring 3033 p. Second was Joyce Warner, Great Britain, scoring 2986 p, and third Impi Hartikainen, Finland, scoring 2969 p.

Nils Andersson, Sweden, won among the gentlemen, scoring 3020 p. Second was Robert Rhode, USA, scoring 2987 p, and third Bertil Olsson, Sweden, scoring 2848 p.

The team competitions were won by Great Britain (Ladies), scoring 8679 p, and by Sweden (Gentlemen), scoring 8697 p. The British Lady Team noted three Team World Records.

Also three Individual World Records were beaten. At the 35 m distance, Bertil Olsson, Sweden, noted 504 p, and at the double short round both Nils Andersson and Bertil Olsson, Sweden, noted 1479 p. Strange enough, both of them had 748 p on the second day, and 731 p on the fourth day of shooting.

The Tournament took place close to the Olympic Stadium. The arrangements were absolutely perfect, a revolutionary new marking method was tested, and a very good speaker gave the results in different languages.

As usual, the Banquet gave an extra glamour to the arrangements. It took place at the Brändö Casino Restaurant, just outside Helsinki. After the distribution of Prizes, the FITA Plaquettes for International Merits (Gilt) were given to the following persons: M. Paul Demare, France, Mr. Lars Ekegren, Sweden, Mr. Sixten von Hofsten, Sweden, M. Oscar Kessels, Belgium, Mr. Henry Kjellson, Sweden, and Mr. C.W. Nettleton, Great Britain.

I thank the Finnish arrangers from all participants for this impressing and in all respects perfect Tournament. We all felt like honoured guests among very good friends.

During our stay in Helsinki, flowers were laid on the graves of Field Marshal Mannerheim and of the Unknown Soldier by General Tapola, Chairman of the Finnish Archery Association, and by the FITA President.

The 4th FITA Mail-Match was arranged in 1956, for the first time on a Single FITA Round, shot in one day. No less than 100 ladies and 181 gentlemen from all over the world took part, which is a new record. Winner among the gentlemen was W.J. Burton, New Zealand, scoring 1080 p. He was followed by J. Van den Bosch, Belgium, 1054 p, and J. Le Roux, South Africa, 1048 p.

Ladies' Winner was J. Warner, Great Britain, scoring 953 p, followed by C. Holland, South Africa, 904 p, and M. Cugowska, Poland, 885 p.

Team Winner among the ladies was Great Britain, 2670 p, and among the gentlemen Belgium, 3055 p.

We are still working hard on the re-introduction of archery as an optional Olympic Sport.

At the FITA Congress in Helsinki in 1955 it was decided that the FITA Administrative Council should meet in Stockholm in 1956, in order to decide about some important questions. The Minutes of this Meeting have already been distributed to all Affiliated Associations. The Stockholm Meeting decided about the organisation of future World Championship Tournaments, about titles, records and medals, among other things. The Challenge Prize question will be discussed once more at the Prague Congress in 1957.

Many important questions will be decided about at the Prague Congress. Most important of them all is the question about the future policy of our Federation: Should not only Target Archery but also other forms of our sport be taken up on the international programme in the future, and - if so - how would it then be organized?

Wishing all the best to the archers of the world, I remain,

Yours,

Henry Kjellson
President of FITA

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Minutes of the XVIIIth International Archery Congress Prague, 1957.

Part I

At the Savarin, Prague, on the 17th July 1957.

I. Opening of Congress

At the call-over of names the following qualified representatives answered:

Australia: Mrs. Frith
Belgium: M. Timmermans
Czechoslovakia: M. Lenecek
Denmark: Mr. Poulsen
Finland: Mr. Ansala
France: M. Ternynck
Great Britain: Mrs. Frith
Holland: M. Timmermans
Luxembourg: M. Timmermans
New Zealand: Mrs. Frith
Norway: Mr. Honne
Poland: M. Twardowskiego
Portugal: M. Timmermans
South Africa: Mr. White
Spain: M. de Fagoaga Laguna
Sweden: Mr. Bolle
Switzerland: M. Timmermans
USA: Mrs. Schmidt

The Hungarian Archery Association had sent M. Fabian as an Observer.

M. Oscar Kessels, Vice President of FITA, and Mr. Lars Ekegren, General Secretary of FITA, were also present.

In the absence of Mr. Henry Kjellson, President of FITA, M. Kessels confirmed that the qualified representatives present were all entitled to vote, and opened the Meeting of the XVIIIth International Archery Congress.

The Memory of the late M. Alberto Maria Bravo, President of the Portuguese Archery Association, was specially honoured before taking up the next question of the Agenda.

II. Qualification for competing in the World Championship Tournament of 1957.

In the absence of Mr. Torsten Fahlman, the FITA Treasurer, the General Secretary reported that - according to the Treasurer's Report - the following National Archery Associations had not paid their annual fee of Swedish Crowns 200:

India, Mexico, Spain and Turkey (Swedish Crowns 100 only).

M. Fagoaga told the delegates that Spain had paid in the meantime.

Congress stated that all present Nations were entitled to compete in the World Championship Tournament of 1957, and that the FITA Treasurer should ask again for the outstanding fees.

III. Affiliation of new Archery Association

The General Secretary reported that the Hungarian Archery Association had formally asked for affiliation, and that all conditions had been fulfilled.

The application from Hungary was unanimously approved.

On behalf of his Association, Mr. Fabian expressed his deep gratitude to the Delegates, and gave a short account of the Hungarian archery history.

IV. Control of targets during the shooting

A Norwegian motion was unanimously accepted as follows:

Arrows left in the targets

It is the duty of the Director of the Shooting to ensure that no arrows are left in the targets before any signal for shooting is given. When necessary, the Director of the Shooting must have sufficient assistance for such control.

Should the Director of the Shooting inadvertently give the signal for shooting although there are arrows left in the targets, the shooting must not be stopped or interrupted. The archer to whom such arrows belong can then

- a) either shoot with other arrows instead of the forgotten ones; the CT must be immediately informed and participate in the subsequent marking checking; the forgotten arrows must be checked with the score-card, and must under no circumstances be touched or removed until the marking of the new series has been made;
- b) or - if allowed by the CT - be compensated by being permitted to shoot the same number of arrows as forgotten, as soon as the other archers have finished the distance in question.

Arrows left on the ground

Should an archer forget his arrows on the ground in the target area, this does not fall under the responsibility of the Director of the Shooting, and the archer will then have no right to be compensated by being permitted to shoot after the normal finish of the distance in question. In this case, however, the archer can shoot the next series with other arrows and inform the CT before the marking takes place.

V. The World Championship Tournament of 1957

The Czechoslovakian Organising Committee reported on the arrangements for the World Championship Tournament of 1957. The Team Captains had elected the following CT: Dr. Jan Dobias, Czechoslovakia, President, Mr. Yngve Bluhme, Sweden, and M. José de Fagoaga Laguna, Spain.

Secretary of the meeting: Mr. Lars Ekegren.

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Part II

At the Savarin, Prague, on 22nd July 1957.

VI. Call-over of names

At the call-over of names the following qualified representatives answered:

Australia: Mrs. Frith
Belgium: M. Timmermans
Czechoslovakia: M. Lenecek
Denmark: Mr. Poulsen
Finland: Mr. Ansala
France: M. Ternynck
Great Britain: Mrs. Frith
Holland: M. Timmermans
Hungary: M. Fabian
Luxembourg: M. Timmermans
New Zealand: Mrs. Frith
Norway: Mr. Honne
Poland: M. Twardowskiego
Portugal: M. Timmermans
South Africa: Mr. White
Spain: M. de Fagoaga Laguna
Sweden: Mr. Bolle
Switzerland: M. Timmermans
USA: Mrs. Schmidt

M. Bolberg, USSR, and M. Skorić, Yugoslavia, were present as Observers. M. Kessels greeted them specially, after which M. Bolberg - who represented the USSR olympic Committee - made a short speech. He hoped that his country would be represented as a Member of FITA by 1958. The General Secretary was also present.

VII. Minutes of the FITA Congress of 1955 and the Administrative Council Meeting of 1956.

The General Secretary reported that the Congress Minutes had been printed in the "Bulletin Officiel" No. 15, and that the Council Minutes had been distributed to all Affiliated Associations, and to the Members of the FITA Administrative Council.

Both Minutes were unanimously accepted, and Congress confirmed all decisions made at the Council Meeting.

VIII. Report of the President

The General Secretary reported that the Report of the President had been distributed to everybody concerned. The Report was unanimously accepted.

IX. Financial Report for 1955 - 1957

The Treasurer's Financial Report for 1955 - 1957, which had been separately distributed, was unanimously accepted.

X. Report of the CT

M. Dobias read the Report of the CT, which was unanimously accepted. M. Kessels expressed the gratitude of all participants to the CT, and to all Members of the World Championships Organisation.

XI. Elections

a) FITA President 1957 - 1961

Two candidates were nominated, Mr. Henry Kjellson, Sweden, and M. Oscar Kessels, Belgium. Voting took place by secret ballot, and M. Kessels was elected.

M. Kessels made a speech, in which he expressed his deep gratitude. He also thanked Mr. Kjellson for all he had done for the Federation, and suggested that Mr. Kjellson should be appointed Honorary President, which was unanimously accepted. Congratulations were forwarded by telegram.

b) FITA Vice President 1957 - 1959 after Mr. Nettleton

Congress unanimously elected Mrs. Inger Frith, Great Britain, who expressed her gratitude to be the first lady holding this high position.

c) FITA General Secretary 1957 - 1961

The General Secretary resigned, in order to make it possible for the new President to suggest a new General Secretary from his own country. The President, however, asked the General Secretary to stay. No other candidate was mentioned, and the General Secretary was unanimously re-elected.

d) FITA Treasurer 1957 - 1961

Also the Treasurer resigned, but was asked to continue and was unanimously re-elected.

e) Other Members of the FITA Administrative Council 1957 - 1961

Term was up for Messrs. A.J. Barter, Australia, Axel Poulsen, Denmark, José de Fagoaga Laguna, Spain, and Antti Hiekkamies, Finland. Re-election was suggested for them all, and other candidates were Mr. Thube, India, Mr. Ansala, Finland, and Mr. Schindler, Switzerland.

Five vacancies had to be filled, and voting took place by secret ballot. Messrs. Barter, Poulsen, Fagoaga, Hiekkamies and Schindler were elected.

Out of the Other Members of the FITA Council, two Members had to be elected FITA Vice Presidents. Mr. Poulsen was unanimously re-elected, after which an election by secret ballot took place. Mrs. Jean Richards-Burri was elected by a majority of votes. She was congratulated by telegram.

The votes were scrutinised by Mrs. Schmidt and Dr. Dobias.

In connection with the Belgian Motion No. 1, which was withdrawn, Congress made the following change to Art. 9 of the FITA Statutes:

"The residencels of the President of FITA and/or the General Secretary of FITA is (are) established as the Headquarters of the International Federation."

After this change the new President suggested that all official letters should be sent to the General Secretary in the future, which was unanimously accepted.

XII. New Rules for the FITA Round

Answering motions from Finland and New Zealand, Congress decided as follows:

World Records can be beaten when shooting the single FITA Round in one or two days (as in the World Championship Tournaments).

An official list of the World Records shall be distributed by the General Secretary, as soon as he receives the official results from the Prague Tournament of 1957. New World Records will then be recognized in accordance with the Rules, stated in the FITA INFORMATION 2/1957 (March).

If the FITA Round and any other Round are shot on the same day, the Fita Round must be shot first.

Also when shooting for the International Badge for Merited Archers (the "FITA Star Archers") the FITA Round can be shot in one or two days. The Rules for this Badge (dated April 13th, 1957) were unanimously accepted, and a proof of the badge was shown.

XIII. New Rules for participation in World Championship Tournaments

A Finnish motion about new Rules for participation in World Championship Tournaments was not accepted.

XIV. The duties of the Comission Technique.

In connection with a Finnish motion, Congress invited all Member Associations to send in their suggestions as to the duties of the Comission Technique before January 1st, 1958.

XV. The date of the World Championship Tournaments

In connection with a Swedish motion, Congress decided that each Nation, appointed to arrange a World Championship Tournament, shall suggest a reasonable dates for the Tournament to the FITA Congress, for final approval.

XVI. Gilt Plaquette to H.M. King Baudouin of Belgium

Congress unanimously decided to invite H.M. King Baudouin of Belgium to accept its Gilt Plaquette for International Merits.

XVII. The World Championship Tournament of 1959

The Swedish Archery Association was unanimously accepted as the Organizer of the 1959 World Championship Tournament. In accordance with post-war tradition the President suggested the Capital of Sweden as the place for the Tournament, but left the decision open to the Swedish arrangers.

XVIII. "Long" and "Short" FITA distances.

A British motion about a special name for the two shorter FITA distances was withdrawn.

XIX. The FITA Challenge Prizes

Congress decided to keep only two Challenge Prizes, and to give all the rest

back to the Donors. The two to be kept are described as No. 4 and No. 5, respectively, in the "Bulletin Officiel". They are for the two individual Winners, Grand Total, and they can never be won outright.

Nations holding the other Challenge Prizes were asked to send these Prizes back to the National Archery Association in the country of the Donor without any delay. The Association will then forward the Prize to the Donor.

In the future the World Championship Tournament Organizers are expected to give individual prizes to be kept by the winner, and only for the Grand Total Scores.

XX. The future development of FITA

Congress decided to form a special Committee, the task of which should be to study and suggest what kinds of archery other than Target Archery could be taken up for international competitions by FITA. The first Report shall be given to next year's FITA Congress.

Members of the Committee are: M. Kessels, Belgium, Chairman, Mr. Marvin Schmidt, USA, Mr. Håkan Blechingberg, Sweden, Mr. C.B. Edward, Great Britain, and Mr. Jiri Bastar, Czechoslovakia.

XXI. International Judges

A Czechoslovakian motion about International Judges was not accepted.

XXII. Annual Fee.

Congress decided that the Annual Fee should be as before, i.e. Swedish Crowns 200.

XXIII. Sundry Questions

a) Can pin-sights be standardised?

Congress discussed whether FITA could authorize a limited number of "standard pin-sights", in order to facilitate the work of the "CT". Suggestions are expected from the Affiliated Associations before January 1st, 1958.

b) What equipment is being used?

The Organizers of the Prague Tournament promised to send out a complete list of the equipment (bows, arrows and pin-sights) which had been used during the Tournament to all Affiliated Associations.

c) Insurance

The two remaining Challenge Prizes have to be insured by FITA.

d) Printing of Statutes and Rules.

Congress decided that the FITA Statutes and Shooting Rules should be reprinted as soon as possible.

e) Could a bow be tried on the shooting-line?

As the Rules (Art. 34 and 35) are not clear in this respect, the General Secretary was asked to make a suggestion to next year's Congress.

f) Silver Plaque to Frantisek Hadas

In accordance with the suggestion of the retiring FITA Executive Committee, Congress unanimously decided to give Frantisek Hadas, Czechoslovakia, its Silver Plaque for International Merits.

g) M. Kessels expressed his gratitude to all those present, and specially to the General Secretary.

Secretary of the meeting: Mr. Lars Ekegren.

I thank you, everybody, for all support and kindness, shown to me during my years as the FITA President.

If however, because of special reasons, Congress would find that the best solution would be that I keep on, Congress may re-elect me for another four year period, but only if this decision will be unanimously taken.

4. As to the General Secretary, I have a bit more to say. In my opinion our Federation cannot afford to lose him. His enthusiastic work for us in all countries and in all situations speaks for itself. Hundreds of Olympic Committees and Sports Associations have been prepared for archery through him, and his "FITA Information" and "Bulletin Officiel" are now wellknown all over the world.

The more work for him, the more work for the President. We have had a splendid co-operation, with frequent conferences about letters, votings, motions, and actions of different kinds. All these things would have been impossible to handle by letters only.

5. I suggest M. Oscar Kessels, Belgium, to become the new FITA President. He is a good archer, and he knows how archers feel. He is a very good representative for our sport, and he is travelling much, which is good for the contacts. He is intelligent, and a good speaker. He is very wellknown, specially in the Latin countries, where he has done a very good job. In this home country he is one of the most prominent archers, and he is heading its most ancient archery guild.

As our next World Championship Tournament will take place in Brussels, I think that many of us would like to see him there, greeting us as the FITA President.

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6. If, however, M. Kessels cannot get the necessary number of votes, I have another alternative, which I strongly recommend. And that is Mr. Lars Ekegren, Sweden. Nobody doubts his ability, and he could find another General Secretary. Please, think it over carefully!

With best regards to all Archers
and Archery Associations!

Henry Kjellson
FITA President

The General Secretary's and the Treasurer's comments

1. We are of the same opinion as the President, as to Motion 1/1957. A change of the present Article of the Statutes is not needed.
2. If Mr. Kjellson will not be re-elected as the FITA President, we also resign as the General Secretary and the Treasurer, respectively, as we think that the new President should be quite free to choose a new Executive Committee, preferably from his (or her) own country.
3. Of course we are going to be loyal to any new President of FITA, elected by Congress. He (or she) will get all the support, which we are able to give.

Lars Ekegren
General Secretary

Torsten Fahlman
Treasurer

M O T I O N 2/1957

Finland

World Record scores should be confirmed only if shot in the same way as in a World Championship Tournament, i.e. a Single FITA Round shot in two days - the two longer distances to be shot the day before, or the day after, the two shorter distances.

1 or 2 days at will

M O T I O N 3/1957

New Zealand

Can another type of Round, e.g. York or Clout, be shot before a FITA Round, in the same day, providing that the distances are not the same? How would that be looked upon, as far as World Records or FITA Mail Matches are concerned? The New Zealand archery programme is very full.

FITA first

President's Proposal 1/1957

I agree to Motion 2/1957. Only if the Single FITA Round is shot in the same way as in the World Championship Tournaments, the scores can be fully compared. It has to be observed that no other shooting can proceed the two distances valid for e.g. a World Record on the same day as these two distances are shot, as no training is allowed. The rest of the whole FITA Round, or another type of Round may however be shot after the two distances valid for a World Record. This Proposal is also valid as an answer to Motion 3/1957.

M O T I O N 4/1957

Finland

Clear Rules have to be stated as to the announcing of names of the participants of a World Championship Tournament, to be in the hands of the Organizers at least 14 days before the first day of the competition. Under which conditions could substitutes take part? What has to be done if any Nation doesn't inform the Organizers at least 14 days before the start of the competition?

951 no decision

M O T I O N 5/1957

Finland

In order to shorten the length of the World Championship Tournament, the inspection by the "Commission Technique" should be deleted. Pin sights are now allowed, and so are also points of aim. If an archer uses an unmarked arrow, he knows the risk of losing his score. During the competition the "CT" can check that, as well as they can check that no optical sights are being used.

President's Proposal 2/1957

After the new decisions about pin-sights and points of aim, the "CT" should only control the marking of the arrows, the diameter of the "attachements" on the string, the size of the points of aim, and that there are no optical sights. The targets and the distances have also to be controlled beforehand. The control of the Archers and of their equipment must be carried on during the whole competition. It must also be controlled that the Archers don't receive any assistance during the shooting.

MOTION 6/1957Norway

Accepted

The Director of the Shooting has to control - himself or through assistants - that there are no arrows left in the targets, before a new signal for shooting can be given. Should the shooting start in spite of the fact that arrows are still left in the targets, the shooting cannot be stopped or interrupted. Then the "CT" has to decide if the archer should be permitted to shoot with other arrows, or if the archer should be permitted to shoot the missing arrows immediately after the end of the distance. If the arrows should have been left on the ground, this doesn't fall under the responsibility of the Director of the Shooting. Then the archer cannot be permitted to shoot the missing arrows after the end of the distance, but may use other arrows during the competition, after having received permission by the "CT".

President's Proposal 3/1957

It's the duty of the Director of the Shooting to control that no arrows have been left in the targets, before he can give the new signal for shooting. The archers, however, are also responsible for this.

Should more than three arrows be found in a target, only the three lowest scores are counted. Should this happen more than once to the same archer in the same competition, the "CT" has to take the matter up for the question of disqualification.

MOTION 7/1957Sweden

X The World Championship Tournament should be held every second year during the month of August, preferably during the first or second week of that month.

Congress decide July or Aug - each time

Owing to the climate, the archers in the northern countries have a later archery season than most of the other countries, and thus they are a bit handicapped in early World Championship Tournaments.

President's Proposal 4/1957

At Mr. Lars Ekegren's suggestion, the FITA Executive Committee unanimously suggests H.M. King Baudouin to be awarded the Gilt FITA Plaque for International Merits. The latest World Championship Tournament in Brussels was under Royal Patronage, and the King will also protect next year's Tournament. On several occasions the King has promoted archery in Belgium, and He is an archer Himself.

Yes

MOTION 8/1957Great Britain

Can you officially refer to the shortest distances of the FITA Round (50m + 30m) as the "Short FITA Round"? (Consequently the two longest distances - 90m + 70m, Gentlemen, and 70m + 60m, Ladies, should be called the "Long FITA Round".)

Distances

President's Proposal 5/1957

After the Prague Congress the FITA Shooting Rules have to be reprinted. I then suggest the following beginning of the present Art.66:

Long Distances (Double Rounds)

<u>Ladies</u>	70 metres	72 arrows
	60 "	72 "
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		144 arrows
<u>Gentlemen</u>	90 metres	72 arrows
	70 "	72 "
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		144 arrows

Short Distances (Double Rounds)

<u>Ladies and Gentlemen</u>	50 metres	72 arrows
	30 "	72 "
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		144 arrows

Etc.

President's Proposal 6/1957

If Motion 8/1957 and Proposal 5/1957 are accepted, I would like to suggest the following decisions about the old FITA Challenge Prizes:

1. The following Challenge Prizes should be kept as they are, on the same terms as before:
(As to the Numbers - see the "Bulletin Officiel" Nr. 15/1956, pages 18 - 19!)
No. 2, 11, 19, 26, 27 and 29.
2. In my opinion the Prizes No. 4 and 5 should also be kept as they are, as the only Prizes, which cannot be won outright. After all, they are symbols for the two individual Winners totally at the World Championship Tournaments, and you can find all their names on them. They represent a very fine tradition.
3. As to the rest of the old Prizes, which could not be won outright, the Grand National Archery Society is hereby kindly requested to contact the British Donors, and to report their opinion
 - a) regarding the decision made by the FITA Administrative Council Session in Stockholm on October 7th, 1956 as to the old Prizes;
 - b) regarding my following suggestion: that these old Prizes could be won after three successive victories, or after five victories without succession.

These Prizes are: No. 3 (Lord Revelstoke), 6 (Lillywhites Ltd.), 7 (Ayres Ltd.), 22 (Mrs. and Mr. Nettleton), 23 (Slazengers Ltd.), 24 (Mrs. and Mr. Ingo Simon).

Only 9 & 5

If answers have not arrived until the Prague Congress, these Prizes should be distributed as follows:

No. 3, 6 and 24	to archers winning the Long Distances;
No. 7	to archer winning the 90m Distance;
No. 22 and 23	to Ladies' Team and Lady winning Grand Total.

4. M. Oscar Kessels, Belgium, is kindly asked, if the Prize No. 28 could be given as the 1st prize on 30m instead of 25 m. If so, it ought to be kept on the same conditions as before, with this exception.
5. As to the Prizes No. 18 and 25, they seem to have disappeared many years ago. They have not been presented at the latest World Championship Tournaments. The World Championship Tournament Organizer who knows that he has distributed these two Prizes lately is kindly asked to inform the FITA General Secretary when, and to whom. The loss was discovered recently, when inventing the old Prizes.

M O T I O N 9/1957

Sweden

The Field Archery Rules of the Swedish Archery Association (earlier distributed), as well as those of the National Field Archery Association of the United States of America, should be officially recognized by FITA for international Field Archery competitions among its Member Associations.

President's Proposal 7/1957.

Art. 1 of the Statutes says that FITA consists of National Amateur Federations for Archery. Nothing is said as to which kind or kinds of Archery, but the FITA Shooting Rules are only for Target Archery.

There are, however, many different kinds of Archery in the world. Archery with the usual types of bows, and archery with crossbows.

In some countries these other kinds of Archery are more popular than Target Archery. "Tir à la Perche" in Belgium, and Field Archery in USA and Sweden are good examples. Also crossbow shooting is very strong, in USA, Switzerland, and other countries. The American Crossbow Section has asked to be recognized by FITA.

Also the Field Archers in many countries are interested in international competitions governed by FITA, and that is the background of Motion 9/1957.

As far as I can see, the first thing of all which we have to consider is this:

- 1) Are we prepared to take care of other kinds of international Archery, or should we stick to Target Archery only, as we have done from the very beginning?

If we decide to extend our dominions also to other kinds of Archery, the next question will be:

2) Which new kinds of Archery?

Before we decide about these two important questions, we have to consider that we have to be very careful when deciding about a new development. We have to know exactly how much we are able to swallow, and then we have to go step by step.

On June 28th, 1955, Mr. Lars Ekegren took all these matters up, at a Meeting with the Executive Committee, and he has later on sent in a plan for development, which has been discussed at several occasions. Are we going to split up the organisation into Sections for Target Archery, Field Archery etc. with an Executive Committee on the top of them all? Should Annual Fees be paid to each Section? Should it be possible for different National Archery Associations from the same country to join different Sections within FITA (but only one National Archery Association from each country per Section)? And so on.

Sooner or later we have to take up our position as to all these different kinds of Archery.

In my opinion it would be a very good thing, if all international Archery was kept under one hat. I therefore suggest that we decide to open up for other kinds of international Archery, and that we accept Motion 9/1957 temporarily.

In that case Art. 2 of the FITA Statutes has to be changed as follows:

The Objects of FITA are: a) to promote different kinds of Archery, etc.

If, however, Congress decides not to take up any other kind of Archery, I suggest the following change of the same Article:

The Objects of FITA are: a) to promote Target Archery only, etc.

It is unnecessary to point out that the principal decision we have to come to is one of the most important in our history.

Therefore, in case Congress decides to take up other kinds of Archery, I finally suggest that an International Committee should be nominated, the task of which should be to study and suggest the steps to be taken by the next FITA Congress.

In case Motion 9/1957 will be accepted, the Organizers of the Swedish Field Archery Championships in 1957 are prepared to let two Archers from each FITA Nation take part, at their own expense, in order to practise the Swedish Rules in reality. These Championships are going to take place in August at Sandviken, the Swedish centre for steel bow production.

M O T I O N 10/1957

Czechoslovakia

Czechoslovakia suggests a Committee of International Judges for international competitions. At the Helsinki Congress in 1955, as well as at the Stockholm Session in 1956, the Delegates were informed about all details. In accordance with the decision of the Stockholm Session, the Members of the Administrative Council are kindly requested to send their recommendations in this matter to all FITA Associations well before the Prague Congress.

Fédération Internationale de Tir à l'Arc.

Economical Report, May 31st 1957

(the values are given in swedish crowns)

Balance in hand June 1:st 1955

Not paid invoices	845:90	Cash in hand	151:85
Capital account	1.038:71	Bank account	245:96
		Pins and badges	736:80
		Demands for affiliations	250:--
		" " bulletins	100:--
		" " pins and badges	400:--
Sum	1.884:61	Sum	1.884:61

Profit and loss account May 31:st 1957

Bulletin n:o 15	2.181:45	Affiliations	
Pins and badges	2.211:58	1955 old members	250:--
Journeys	2.775:90	" new "	400:--
FITA-Information	1.077:30	1956 - 1957	9.000:--
Expences	1.726:36	Bulletins	289:20
Capital acc. prof.	2.503:99	Pins and badges	1.828:25
		Rents	56:03
		Expences	653:10
Sum	12.476:58	Sum	12.476:58

Capital account May 31:st 1957

Balance to carry over	3.542:70	Balance in hand	1.038:71
		Profit and loss account	2.503:99
Sum	3.542:70	Sum	3.542:70

Balance to carry over May 31:st 1957

Cash in hand	0:--	Capital account	3.542:70
Bank account	2.901:80		
Stock of pins and badges	640:90		
Sum	3.542:70	Sum	3.542:70

The following journeys have been compensated by the federation: for the president and the general secretary to the FITA-congress in Helsinki 1955, for the general secretary to the session of the International Olympic Committee in Paris 1955, to a conference with Mr. Kessels in Kopenhagen 1957 and to the FITA-congress in Prague 1957.

The account "Expences" includes, besides postage, paper, telegrams etc., the costs for the Congress of the FITA Administrative Council in Stockholm 1956 as well as the contribution of s.cr. 550:-- from the Swedish Archery Association.

France, India, Luxembourg, Mexico and Spain have not paid their affiliations for 1957, and Turkey has sent only the half of its annual fee.

Stockholm June 19:th 1957

The FITA Administrative Council

a) before election 1957

President: Henry Kjellson

4 Vice Presidents:

Oscar Kessels
Jaroslav Lenecek
Inger Frith (for Nettleton)
Axel Poulsen

Gen. Secretary: Lars Ekegren

Treasurer: Torsten Fahlman

7 Other Members:

A.J. Barter
Roger Bédar
José de Fagoaga Laguna
Antti Hiekkamies
Robert Neerbye
E.J. Parker
Jean Richards-Burri

= 14 Members totally
(see FITA Statutes!)

b) after election 1957

President: Oscar Kessels

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Comments:

1. Among the Vice Presidents M. Lenecek was never voted about, as his time wasn't up yet. Mrs. Frith replaced Mr. Nettleton up to the end of his period. Mr. Poulsen was first re-elected as a Council Member for four years, and then re-elected as a FITA Vice President for his election period. The fourth Vice President was a new one, replacing Oscar Kessels. Mrs. Jean Richards-Burri was elected. She belongs to the same election part of the Council as Oscar Kessels, so she was elected for the rest of her period, that is two years.
2. When Mr. Kjellson disappeared from the Council, only 13 Members were left. As Mrs. Richards-Burri became a Vice President, this vacancy had to be filled among the "Other Members". H.U. Schindler was elected.

I hope that this clarifies what happened during the elections. Please correct the mistakes which have appeared in the archery press.

Stockholm, August 23rd 1957.

Lars Ekegren
General Secretary of FITA

Dear Mrs. Frith,

Many thanks for your kind help.

I hope that my notes above

will clarify the mistake. Best regards!

Yours, Lars Ekegren