

To: Members of the CD FMJD
Draught friends

West-Knollendam, 16-3-2007

Dear All,

Today I have decided to stop with my work as Executive Vice President of the FMJD. This decision will be effective immediately.

In the year 2003 I have been requested to solve the vacuum existing after the GA in Zwartsluis and to try to get all groups back in one direction. At that moment I believed and today I still believe that this was the right step to do, not coming from one of the involved groups and being fully independent.

Immediately after accepting the position I had to act in two discussions in order to restore order.

In the first one Belarus versus EDC it was impossible and probably still impossible to improve this damaged relation. From this still going on dispute we have received severe reactions from Mr. Anatoli Gantwarg that is still going on today.

Mr Gantwarg is believing that the FMJD is a criminal organization and that our treasurer and the FMJD as a whole is responsible for the disappearance of the sum of EURO 102.000 as he is calculating.

As Vice-President I have within the structure of the FMJD no legal means to defend our treasurer and myself from these false accusations. Knowing that our year income is only coming from the members countries about EURO 10.000 year and tournament inscription fees about EURO 13.000 a year it means that we probably took more then we received.

The reality today is different: Our accounts are for the first time quite sufficient and we have finally reached a level that we can support our sport.

Despite this explanation Mr. Gantwarg found it necessary to send a letter to the NOC-NSF in the Netherlands.

I think as volunteer vice president paying all these years all my cost myself including all travel expenses and some time also travel expenses from CD members living in the Netherlands it reached a level that this behaviour was for me no longer acceptable.

Also I sponsored, the received support from NOC-NSF, to the FMJD in these years.

The personal attack on Mr. Bus who did a really outstanding job in no longer acceptable for me.

The result of this is that a lot of time has been used to counter these false accusations. This kept me from the demanding task to do other important things for the organization.

At one moment the light goes out and that moment has come.

This is one of the examples. Another example is the CPI, where there is difference of opinion but also non fulfilment of agreed decisions that has forced me to exclude Mr. Kaciuska from his position. Also there the discussion continues absorbing much time.

Over the years I have personally sponsored several national and international tournaments in order to make in some cases these tournaments possible. On national level this will at present continue.

In life one takes decisions and this is one of them.

For me in all these years the most important thing was to defend the rights of participants in our tournaments from all over the world.

What I regret is that next to a full time job of about 60 to 70 hours a week at Hiltex I could not bring the difference in building up a needed new structure for the years ahead.

In the not played match for the world title man I personally take responsibility not being able to turn this around. In the final outcome of this I have a different opinion but accept the decision taken by majority.

To all my friends I am proud to be a draught player and draught has helped me a lot in my personal career. I wish you all the wisdom in the coming period able to find the right way to go forward.

Sincerely,

Pieter Hilderling

