

Proposals: Rules of Procedures

Amendments on the Rules of Procedures proposed by the World Committee to be used at the 29th ISGF-AISG World Conference, Madrid 2020.

Proposal 1:

Proposing NSGF: United Kingdom

Seconding NSGF: Austria Scout and Guide Fellowship

Original Text:

5. SUBMISSION OF MOTIONS AND AMENDMENTS

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- a motion upon any matter not already included in the agenda;

must forward the draft text to the World Bureau at least seven months before the opening date of the World Conference in order that the motion may be considered and **commented** by the World Committee and National Scout and Guide Fellowships.

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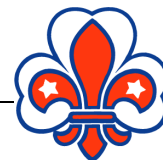
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c) Where an amendment is made to a motion, it is the amendment which is first put to the World Conference for voting, before the original motion. If the amendment is lost, the original motion is then put to the vote. If the amendment is carried, the motion is amended accordingly, before it is put to the vote. If more than one amendment is made to a motion, the first to be put to the vote is that which, in the judgement of the Chairman of the Conference, changes the original motion most radically. The same rule applies to the order of the other amendments.

d) During the World Conference, no amendments to motions submitted in accordance with article 14 Amendments to the Constitution (ISGF Constitution) - may be accepted, except those which either: - remove ambiguities or otherwise clarify the draft which has been circulated; or - represent an intermediate position between the draft circulated and the status quo.

Proposed motion:

Following the democratic spirit of our organisation and in order to comply with the highest transparency standards, we consider that all motions and proposals – whether submitted by a NSGF or by the World Committee – must be always highlighted when making a change to an existing document and accompanied by written rationale for those changes to be made.



Rationale:

We have noticed that the proposed Rules of Procedures to be adopted and validated at the 29th ISGF-AISG World Conference, as a motion by itself, to be voted at the beginning of the event, is not accompanied by written rationale for those changes to be made.

For the past few months, we have requested to the World Committee to highlight and to provide written rationale. The text has been highlighted and re uploaded on the official ISGF website, but the written rationale were never included or made public.

Proposal 2:

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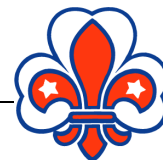
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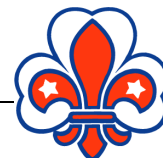
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Rationale:

We consider that is unnecessary to request a Full-Member NSGF to be present physically at the World Conference to submit or second a motion or proposal. This is due to the fact that according to the ISGF Constitution (Article 5.9.C.) and Bye-Law (Bye-Law 7), NSGFs are entitled to make proposals if all their duties and responsibilities are fulfilled. Furthermore, NSGFs as organisations are legal entities, not physical persons. Hence, representation of a NSGF at the World Conference is already stipulated in Art. 8.7 of the ISGF Constitution. Under the present ISGF Constitution, NSGFs are considered 'present' when they have provided a proxy.



We also want to take in consideration those potential cases when a NSGF proposing or seconding a motion becomes affected by a national political, social or natural tragedy or disaster taking place, between the time when the motions are submitted, and the World Conference takes place. Although these NSGFs might have fulfilled all their duties and responsibilities as Full-Members and provided a proxy in timely matter, the proposed new text by the ISGF World Committee prevents the discussion on any motion when the proposing or the seconding NSGF are unable or fail to send physical delegates to the event.