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2nd International Solidarity Archery Championship kicks off

6th May, 2018- Dhaka, Bangladesh

The 2nd International Solidarity Archery Championships, hosted by Dhaka, the Capital city of People’s Republic of Bangladesh, was inaugurated on 6th may, 2018 in the presence of HE Dr. Biren Sikder Minister of Youth and Sport in Bangladesh and HE Mr. Mohammed Saleh Al-Garnas Secretary General of ISSF as well as HE Amb. Syed Shahed Reza Secretary General of NOC of Bangladesh, Lt. Gen. Md. Mainul Islam President of Bangladesh Archery Federation and ISSF Executive Board Member and Mr. Kazi Rajib Uddin Chapol member of ISSF Executive Member and Secretary General of Bangladesh Archery Federation.

Sixteen NOCs participated in the Championships: namely (Azerbaijan, Uganda, Chad, Morocco, Tajikistan, Turkey, Iraq, Libya, Saudi Arabia, Tunisia, Kyrgyzstan, Estonia, Nepal, Mauritania and Bangladesh).

HE Dr. Biren Sikder delivered a speech and welcomed the delegations participating in the Championships and said “Dhaka is ready to host this Event “and wished all good luck to all participants.

Then, the ISSF Secretary General gave a speech and conveyed the best wishes of the Consultant and President of ISSF Hon. Turkey bin Abdulmohsen Al Alsheikh, and thanked the officials of the Ministry of Youth and Sport and officials of the NOC of Bangladesh and the Bangladesh Archery Federation for their valuable efforts, and referred to the good news that the results of this 2nd edition of the championships will be enlisted in the world ranking enabling the participants involved to improve their ranking internationally and wished success to all participants.



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2nd International Solidarity Archery Championship Press Conference

5th May, 2018- Dhaka, Bangladesh

On the occasion of launching the 2nd International Solidarity Archery Championships, a press conference was held on Saturday, 5th May, 2018 in the presence of:

The Secretary General of ISSF, Mr. Mohammed S. Al-QARNAS, the President of Bangladesh Archery Federation, Lt. Gen. Md. Mainul Islam, the Executive Board Member of ISSF and Secretary General of Bangladesh Archery Federation, Mr. Kazi Rajib Uddin Ahmed Chapol, the Chairman of Technical Committee, Mr. Saad Ahmed Al-Mash'hadani (Iraq), the Official of International Archery Federation, Mr. Andrea Jaber (Italy), Ahmed Qoura (Egypt), and Ashraf Dahroug, the ISSF technical affairs officer.



The Secretary General of ISSF Mr. AL-GARNAS gave a speech and conveyed the greetings of the Consultant and President of the ISSF Hon. Turkey bin Abdulmohsen AL-AHEIKH as well as his best wishes of success to the championships.

Mr. AL-GARNAS expressed thanks to the Government and People of Bangladesh for hosting the 2nd International Archery Championships and thanked also the NOC and Archery Federation of Bangladesh. He, also forwarded special thanks to Mr. Kazi Rajib Uddin Ahmed CHAPOL the ISSF Executive Board member for his great efforts to organize the Championships.

Mr. AL-GARNAS highlighted the keen interest of ISSF to support the Championships and underlined the dedication shown by the officials of Bangladesh to host & organize the Championships.

He, also, referred to the fact that this 2nd Edition of the championships is mainly characterized by the results to be accredited by the International Archery Federation which is going to help the athletes involved to improve their international rankings.

The President of Bangladesh Archery Federation praised the support provided by the ISSF to the Championships being the essential element that enabled to make the Championships approved and has contributed to its successive improvement year after year.

The Secretary General of Bangladesh Archery Federation Mr. Chapol, noted that the number of countries participating in this edition of the Championships has reached to 18 countries and that the competition therein is expected to be strong.



BOA President meets with ISSF Secretary General

6th May, 2018- Dhaka, Bangladesh

On 6th May 2018, Gen. Abu Belal Muhammad SHAFIUL HUQ President of Bangladesh Olympic Association (BOA) has received Mr. Mohammed S. AL-GARNAS the Secretary General of Islamic Solidarity Sports Federation (ISSF) at the BOA's headquarters on the sidelines of the 2nd ISSF International Solidarity Archery Championships hosted by Bangladesh on 5-10 May 2018.

The meeting was attended by Amb. Syed Shahed REZA the BOA Secretary General, Mr. Kazi Rajib Uddin Ahmed CHAPOL the ISSF Executive Board Member and BOA Treasurer, Mr. Ashraf S. ABDULLATIF the Head of ISSF Technical Affairs, Mr. Saad A. HUWAMEL the Head of ISSF Administrative Affairs and Mr. Lanny KIMBOWA from the ISSF Technical Affairs.

During the meeting, aspects of cooperation between Bangladesh Olympic Association and Islamic Solidarity Sports Federation were discussed and a request to organize more activities in Bangladesh (i.e. Sports Competitions, training Courses in various fields of training, referring and administration).

It was, also, agreed to prepare a draft MoU between the two parties with the aim of strengthening solidarity among athletes of the Member States of ISSF and to organize & host one or more sport programs every year in Bangladesh under the umbrella and supervision of ISSF and supervision and host of Bangladesh Olympic Association.



ISSF Secretary General attends the 45th CFM

5th- 6th May 2018 - Dhaka, Bangladesh

On the invitation of H.E. OIC Secretary General of OIC Dr Yousef AL- OTHAIMEEN, Mr. Mohammed Saleh AL-GARNAS the ISSF Secretary General attended the 45th session of the Council of Foreign Ministers (CFM) held on 5-6 May 2018 in Dhaka, the Capital of the People's Republic of Bangladesh.

The conference was inaugurated by H.E. Sheikh Hasina, Hon'ble Prime Minister of the Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh.

H.E. Mr. Marcel Amon-Tanoh, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Côte d'Ivoire and Chair of the 44th session of the CFM gave a welcoming speech on the election of the Bureau and handing over the Presidency of the Conference to the People's Republic of Bangladesh.

Afterwards, the Chairman of the 45th session of the CFM, H.E. Abul Hassan Mahmood Ali, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of Bangladesh welcomed the delegations participating in the Conference, then there was the speech of the representative of presidency of Islamic Summit of OIC, H.E. Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Turkey, Bekir Bozdog, followed by the words of African, Arab and Asian groups.

After that, a speech was delivered by H.E. Crista Freeland the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Canada followed by the speech of the OIC Secretary General H.E. Dr. Yousef bin Ahmad Al-Othaimeen who dedicated a Piece of Cloth of the Holy Kabaa to HE Prime Minister, then the slogan of the 45th Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers was unveiled and H.E. Sheikh Hasina The Prime Minister of Bangladesh delivered her speech.

Closed Sessions of the Conference followed where all Resolutions related to the work of Political, Economic and Cultural Organizations & Entities were addressed, including the resolutions of ISSF.

ISSF organizes the 2nd International Solidarity Tennis Championship

Following the success achieved in the 4th Islamic Solidarity Games hosted by the Republic of Azerbaijan during the period 12-22 May 2017, an MoU was signed between the Islamic Solidarity Sports Federation (ISSF) and the NOC of Azerbaijan. This MoU includes holding an annual sports event under the umbrella of the ISSF.

Accordingly, it was decided that the 2nd International Solidarity Tennis Championship will be held in Baku, Azerbaijan during the period 23-28 July 2018 as the first sports event as per the said MoU.

The Organizing Committee of the Championship has already extended due invitations to the ISSF member NOCs. The Championship will be held for single and double (men and women) with a total prize money of US\$ 20000 (Twenty Thousand American Dollars).



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ISSF Member NOCs

 AZE	 JOR	 AFG	 ALB	 UAE
 INA	 UZB	 UGA	 IRI	 PAK
 BRN	 BRU	 BAN	 BEN	 BUR
 TJK	 TUR	 TKM	 TCH	 TOG
 TUN	 ALG	 DJI	 KSA	 SEN
 SUD	 SYR	 SUR	 SLE	 SOM
 IRQ	 OMA	 GAB	 GAM	 GUY
 GUI	 GBS	 PAL	 COM	 KYG
 QAT	 KAZ	 CMR	 CIV	 KUW
 LBN	 LBA	 MDV	 MLI	 MAS
 EGY	 MAR	 MTN	 MOZ	 NIG
 NGR	 YEM			