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France's Motions Re: 4-Year Terms of Office

WHEREAS the **WDSF Statutes** provide that Presidium Members are elected for a term of three (3) years;

1. *MOVED*, that Article 13 of the *WDSF Statutes* be amended to change the Presidium's term of office from three (3) years to four (4) years, as shown below with underlining and deletions:

Article 13

Presidium

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4. The Presidium, other than the Honorary Life President, the Chairperson of the Athletes' Commission, the representatives nominated by the Associate Members, and the Professional_Division Director, is elected by secret ballot at the Annual_General Meeting every fourth year.

7. If the office of any elected Presidium member becomes vacant, the Presidium may appoint a successor to that office to hold that office until the next General Meeting, at which time an election must be held to fill that position for the balance of the four-year term.

2. **MOVED, that Article 17 of the WDSF Statutes be amended as shown below with underlining and deletions:**

Article 17

Professional Division

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4. The Professional Division General Meeting shall appoint or reappoint its Managing Body and that Managing Body shall appoint or reappoint the WDSF Professional Division Director at least every **four** years, and may do so more frequently according to its discretion. The WDSF Professional Division Director is the Professional Division's, Chief Executive Officer.

3. **MOVED, that Article 18 of the WDSF Statutes be amended to change the auditor's term of appointment from three (3) years to four (4) years, as shown below with underlining and deletions:**



Article 18

Finances

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3. Every fourth Ordinary General Meeting will appoint an Auditor. The Treasurer shall obtain the Auditor's signed Report prior to every Annual General Meeting and distribute it to Delegates prior to the beginning of the Annual General Meeting.

REASONS:

- 1. in most IOC-recognized sport federations, Presidium Members are elected for four (4) years.***
- 2. Presidium Members who are elected for four (4) years will have more time to work on longer projects and will be more likely to finish those projects during their term of office.***
- 3. the business of WDSF will be more efficient if the WDSF Managing Body and the WDSF Professional Director have terms of office that are the same as the term of the Presidium.***
- 4. the business of WDSF will be more efficient if the term of the auditor is concurrent with the term of the Presidium.***

