

**Traditional Karate Federation of Poland**

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**Dear Sir**  
**Pavel Chernousov**  
**President of the ALL-RUSSIAN**  
**TRADITIONAL KARATE FEDERATION**

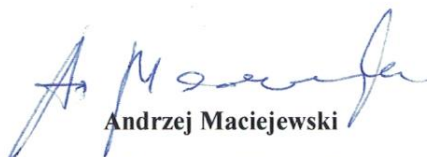
In the topic of the previous exchange of messages regarding participation of the Polish national team in the European Karate Championships in Odintsovo Moscow Region (Russia), the Board of Directors of the Traditional Karate Federation of Poland (TKFP) indicates the following:

1. The decision of WTKF in the subject of suspending the TKFP is unlawful because of various reasons:
  - a. The WTKF Constitution does not contain sanction of suspension. The WTKF Constitution recognizes only as a sanction the expulsion of members - Article 8 let. a) The TKFP was not expelled.
  - b. Under the article 8 let. a) of the WTKF Constitution the sanctions have to be approved by the General Assembly.  
The sanction against TKFP was not approved by the General Assembly.
  - c. Article 5 let. b) - states that in the event of sanctions being imposed, the member has a right of appeal within 30 days. The General Assembly handles the appeals.  
In the case of TKFP the appeal has been lodged within 30 days, but the case was never presented to the General Assembly.
  - d. The WTKF Constitution contains no reasons justifying the imposition of sanctions.
  - e. The TKFP has made efforts to resolve the situation in a consensual mode.
2. The TKFP was to receive funding from the Polish Ministry of Sports in the amount of over 560 000 PLN. The funding was targeted to cover the cost of participation of the Polish National Team in the European Championships in Moscow. In the case of absence in the European Championships of the Polish National Team the TKFP will suffer loss of benefit due the withdrawal of funding by the Polish Ministry of Sports.
3. The TKFP is the only traditional karate organization legit by the Polish Ministry of Sports to represent Poland on the European Championships.

From the above reasons the TKFP calls for:

1. Revision of the position of the All-Russian Traditional Karate Federation in the subject of unlawful suspension of the TKFP.
2. Issuing an invitation for Polish representatives and competitors to allow the successful visa procedure and gaining entrance to Russia by September 8, 2019.
3. Issuing an assurance of permission for Polish competitors to take part in the European Championships by September 8, 2019.

Yours faithfully,



**Andrzej Maciejewski**

President of the Traditional Karate Federation of Poland