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Asiania Report to the IPC

During the conduction of the 16th Asiania Parachuting Championship in Bandung, Indonesia we have welcomed delegates and observers to the meeting and extended sincere thanks and gratitude to the Air Force Chief of Staff, Air Marshall Ida Bagus Putu Dunia and Indonesian Air Force for providing the excellent venue as well as dinner for the delegates and persons attending the meeting. An expression and gratitude are expressed for the particular efforts of support provided by FASI, Nisfu Chasbullah, Effendi Soen and the Indonesian Sports Parachuting Association in organising the conduct of the 16th Asiania Parachuting Championships and Indonesia International Open, as well as the Asiania FAI IPC Judge Training Course. Also the conducting of events in conjunction with CISM events from the Indonesian side had been outlined. The FAI IPC President Graeme Windsor has been welcomed to the meeting.

FAI IPC President made a short speech to the members, recalled the establishment of Asiania back in 1994 at Chengdu, China, when there were just six countries. It had been a dream 20 years ago that Asiania would develop into the organisation that it is today, an affiliated member of the FAI, a strong, supportive and respected member, promoting and developing countries in the Asiania countries. He also mentioned the pros and cons of conducting large international championships on an air force base /international airport. Overall a difficult task and Indonesia is to be credited for undertaking such a project.

The activities within the last year were mentioned together with the ongoing meetings with OCA (Olympic Council of Asia) towards further considerations for the promotion and inclusion of parachuting in Asian and Olympic Games. Following meeting with officials in Vietnam and other Asiana countries he was pleased to report that parachuting will be included at the 5th Asiania Beach Games 2016 in Vietnam.

Faye Cox tabled her written report and highlighted some of the items listed for discussion on the AGM agenda. This year she had been unable to attend various meetings due to family circumstances. The 11th EMAX Video competition 2014 will have teams competing in 4-way FS, 2-way & 4-way CF events. Medals have been donated by Saudi Arabia and have been presented at the Awards night. 10th Asiania FAI IPC Judge Training Course at Bandung which had fourteen participants. She thanked President Mubarak for his good work in promoting Asiania, and for his generous ongoing support to assist Asiania activities. Sincere thanks were due to Nisfu Chasbullah and Effendi Soen for their continued support in organising the 16th Asiania Championships and Indonesia International Open, FAI IPC Judge Training Course and 18th Asiania AGM.