



International Bodyguard & Security Services Association

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Report on the 7th Congress of IBSSA and side events by the IBSSA Headquarters

The 7th Congress of IBSSA was held between 25 – 30 April 2001 at Best Western Parc Hotel in Bucharest/Romania, with the support of the Romanian Police, the Romanian Gendarmerie and the Romanian Antiterrorist Unit.

(Please find enclosed the minutes of the 7th Congress)

The Congress was organized on a high level of professionalism. Sir George POPPER (HUN) – Executive President of IBSSA expressed his thanks to the Patrons of the Congress for their support, kind hospitality and announced, that

- General Ion STEFANUT – Chief of the Romanian Antiterrorist Unit
- General Florin SANDU – Chief of the Romanian Police
- General dr. Tudor CEARAPIN – Chief of the Romanian Gendarmerie
- Mr. Dan IOSIF – Counselor of the President of Romania

were elected as Honorary Members of IBSSA.

The delegates at the Congress represented 20 countries of 5 continents, representing security organizations, large and small companies, police and security services, investigation agencies etc.

Prior to the Congress on the 27th of April, IBSSA Board of Directors' and an Executive Committee's meeting were held at Best Western Parc Hotel. The Board of Directors and the Executive Committee made the final decisions on the preparations for the 7th Congress of IBSSA.

The decisions of the Congress:

The Congress unanimously adopted the Report of the Board of Directors about the development since the last congress, and also unanimously adopted the following documents:

- Balance sheet
- Profit and loss statement of the year 2000
- Audit report for the year 2000
- Budget for the year 2002

The Congress unanimously adopted the following decisions:

- The 8th Congress of IBSSA will be held at St. Pölten/Austria in April 2002
- Parallel with the next Congress (St. Pölten/Austria in 2002) the 1st International Bodyguard World Championships will be organized
- The 9th Congress of IBSSA will be held in Tel Aviv/Israel in 2003
- The next Open Board Meeting will be held between 19-23 July 2001 in Moscow/Russia. Main subject of the meeting: IBSSA International Sport Federation
- IBSSA International Physical Training Camp for bodyguards and security experts will be organized between 4 – 11 August 2001 in Kunhegyes/Hungary by IBSSA and Escort Security Company
- 1st IBSSA International Martial Arts Festival will be held at Mestre/Venice/Italy between 7 - 9 December 2001

Forthcoming events:

- Balkan Security Conference will be held at Bari/Italy at the end of May 2001
- 3rd WKC World Championships will be held between 23 – 24 June 2001 at Aberdeen/Scotland/United Kingdom

- The Federation of Autonomous Priors of the Sovereign Order of Saint John of Jerusalem, Knights of Malta will hold an official conferring of knighthood ceremony between 15 – 16 September 2001 in Budapest/Hungary. During this ceremony several IBSSA leaders will be conferred to Knight of Malta and Pro-Deo University will confer doctor's degrees
- 42nd INEOA Congress will be held between 21 – 26 October 2001 at West Palm Beach/Florida/United States of America

Appointments and awards:

- NSOCCS (National Society for Organized Crime and Corruption Studies) – received the Associated Organization status from IBSSA.
- Mr. Attila FARKAS (HUN) – who was for years the security front man of Michael Jackson and worked for such famous people as Mr. George Bush, Mr. Robert Duvall, and Mr. Robert Redford etc. – received the “Award for International Bodyguard Services”. This award was established recently by IBSSA.
- Mr. Joseph POLYÁK (AUS) was awarded honorary 7th Dan Ju Jitsu from World Ju Jitsu Federation and a diploma was presented to him by International Budo Academy on this particular occasion and certifying his high level of work done on the field of Martial Arts.
- Dr. József SZOLLÁR (HUN), Dr. Miki VARGA (HUN), Mr. Iulian MOISESCU (ROM), Mr. Pavel FLORESCU (ROM), Mr. Vladimir MOROZOV (RUS) and Mr. Constantin BUZATU (ROM) were honoured to receive diplomas „For the loyal support and development of IBSSA”.
- Mr. Florentin Marinescu (ROM) – Continental Representative of IBSSA for Europe presented “Technical Advisor of FRAM” diplomas to Dr. Giacomo Spartaco BERTOLETTI (ITA) and Dr. Rony KLU GER (ISR).
- Mr. Roberto De Ronzi (ITA) – IBSSA Master Teacher gave a special packet to Mr. Iulian MOISESCU (ROM).

At the end of the congress some IBSSA members gave a short report on their activities:

- Dr. Giuseppe MORABITO – Chairman of Diplomatic Department of IBSSA gave short information on the Federation of Autonomous Priors of the Sovereign Order of Saint John of Jerusalem, Knights of Malta. He pointed out the importance of cooperation between the two organizations. Dr. Morabito introduced the purposes and professional work of Knights of Malta in the field of security. He also gave information about the Pro-Deo University.
- Dr. Rony KLUGER – General Secretary of IBSSA reported on the activities of the Education and Qualification Department. The report covered the entire period since the last Congress and the main points of the EQ Department Meeting that was held during the Congress.
- Dr. András CZAPÁRY (HUN) – Secretary of Technical Department of IBSSA and General Manager of Microraab Ltd. Co. gave a brief report on the purposes of the department and invited all members of IBSSA to join this department.
- Dr. Paul G. HÖGLUND (SWE) – Chairman of Quality Control Department of IBSSA provided information on the activities and purposes of this new department, which was established for checking, testing and qualifying security products.
- Mr. J.L. MACZKO (CAN) – Chairman of Narcotics Policy Department of IBSSA gave a short report on drug using and demonstrated the “ADVANCED TASER” a less lethal weapon
- Mr. Miroslav FRIDRISHEK (CZE) on behalf of Mr. Alexandr CACH (CZE), Country representative of IBSSA for Czech Republic reported on the activities of the IBSSA Czech Section.
- Academician Albert IGNATENKO (UKR) – President of the Czech Academy of Informatiology had a very interesting, unsurpassed lecture on practical methods of the remote psycho energy and information programming at the long distances in different spheres of activities and in sports.

On 28th April at 13.30 there was a Press Conference held at the hotel. Mr. Iulian MOISESCU – President of IBSSA Romania and Chairman of the Organizing Committee welcomed all delegates present and the representatives of Press and other media.

Beside of the Congress there were some very well organized events:

- In the afternoon of 25th April 2001 there was a very well organized reception at Arad. On 25th April 2001 at Parc Hotel in Arad, took place an IBSSA “pre-congress” with the presence of Sir George POPPER – Knight of Malta, Executive President of IBSSA and Mr. Constantin Buzatu – President of Arcons

Security (an IBSSA affiliated company), and organizer of this “pre-congress”. Many authorities took part in this event, such as Colonel Ioan ULICA – Chief of Arad Police, Colonel Alexandru KIS – Commander of Gendarmerie Unit, Mr. Gheorghe FALCA – Vice President of the County Council of Arad, Mr. Emanoil VOICU – Vice Mayor of Arad, beside IBSSA representatives from abroad. The representatives of Press and other media: “Adevarul” (“The Truth”), “Observator” (“Observer”), “Agenda zilei” (“The Daily Agenda”).

- On 26th April 2001 – afternoon there was sightseeing in Bucharest and the delegates of the Congress and other guests visited the President’s Palace.
- On 27th April 2001, the Patriarch of the Romanian Orthodox Church invited the IBSSA Board of Directors to his palace.
- On 27th April there was a shooting championship at the Police Station in Bucharest for the participants and for the delegates of the Congress.
 - Romania received a gold medal
 - Italy received a silver medal
- After the Congress, there was an official dinner at “2 cocosi” Restaurant and it was a great attraction for most of the delegates and guests.
- Sunday morning, on 29th April 2001, at 09.30 there was a successful open self – defense championship (full contact) with the participants of many countries.
 - Martial Arts and special demonstration of the Romanian Gendarmerie
 - Demonstration of the Romanian Antiterrorist Unit
 - Special dog show of the Romanian Gendarmerie
- At the 1st IBSSA World Demonstration Bodyguard Championships Italy and Romania received a shared gold medal.
 - Mr. Roberto de RONZI – received a gold medal for his special driving demo
 - The special demonstration and training seminar (against fire weapons, knife and unarmed attacks) was free for all delegates and guests.
- At 20.00 on 29th April 2001 was the Farewell dinner.
- On the 29th of April 2001, in the evening the participants of the Congress could already buy the video film that was prepared from the Congress and its side events.

The decisions of the Board of Directors’ Meeting after the Congress:

The Board considered the Congress very successful with especial regard to:

- the support of the Romanian Police and the Romanian Gendarmerie
- the great attention of the Romanian TV and other media and the meaningful news
- the high level side events, such as the championships and demonstrations

The Board dealt with personal changes as well:

- Mr. Alexander HEVESI (AUT) – was appointed Chairman of the Organizing Committee of the 8th Congress, so his position as “Austrian-Hungarian-Romanian” Coordinator came to an end.
- Mr. Zeev GEFFEN (ISR) – was appointed Technical Chairman of the Bodyguard World Championships.
- Dr. Miki VARGA (HUN) – was appointed “Special coordinator” during the preparations of the 8th Congress of IBSSA and the Bodyguard World Championships.
- Mr. Joseph POLYÁK (HUN) – was appointed „Special Advisor of the Executive President”, so his position as Chief of Protocol ended, but he remained the member of the Protocol Department. The appointment of the new Chief of Protocol haven’t happened yet.
- The “International Coordinator for Central and Eastern Europe” position of Sir Levente GYENES (HUN) would be extended over whole Europe.

More details you can find on the Internet (www.ibssa.org) and on the IBSSA CD Rom.

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