FIDE ETHICS COMMISSION

The Ethics Commission (hereafter called the ETH), sitting in the following composition -

Chairman:

Mr Francois Strydom

Members:

Mr Ion Serban Dobronauteanu

Mr Rajesh Hari Joshi

following deliberations held by telephonic and e-mail communication, made the following -

DECISION

<u>Case n. 5/2014</u>: Complaint of Mr K llyumzhinov regarding the agreements concluded between Mr G Kasparov and Mr I Leong for cooperation in their 2014 FIDE election campaign.

- The ETH notes the non-participation of its members Messrs Pedro Dominguez and Willy Iclicki herein for the reasons stated in paragraphs
 and 2 of the ETH's decision in this matter, dated 5 September 2015.
- 2. The ETH **notes** that the three members participating in this decision constitute a quorum for a valid decision.
- 3. The ETH notes its decision of 5 September 2015 that Mr G. Kasparov and Mr. I. Leong are guilty of breaching par. 2.1 of the Code of Ethics.

- 4. The ETH notes that on 11 September 2015 the respondents were afforded a period of 3 weeks until 2 October 2015 to submit their representations regarding a suitable sanction, but that no representations were received by the deadline, or thereafter.
- 5. Upon due consideration by the ETH of the factors relevant to the sanction, including the gravity of the offence and the presence of aggravating and mitigating circumstances, the ETH imposes the following sanction:

Mr Kasparov and Mr Leong are both banned for a period of two (2) years from holding any office or position within FIDE, including its member federations, continental associations and other affiliated international organisations, as well as from participating in any FIDE meeting as delegate, proxy-holder or other representative of a FIDE member.

The ban will be effective for the period 21 October 2015 until 20 October 2017.

- 6. The ETH undertakes to render forthwith a written judgement with full reasons for the guilty finding and the sanction.
- 7. The ETH requests the FIDE Secretariat to communicate without delay this decision to Mr G. Kasparov, Mr. I. Leong and to Mr. K. Ilyumzhinov and publish this decision on the FIDE website as soon as possible.

DATED ON THIS THE 20th DAY OF OCTOBER 2015

CHAIRMAN

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