

## INTERNATIONAL TRADITIONAL KARATE FEDERATION Rue Verdaine 9, PO Box 3320 1211 Geneva 3 - Switzerland

October 16, 2013

To: ITKF Member Federations

Re: Misinformation by Mr. Romulo Machado, Chairman of the Suspended ITKF Legal

**Services Committee** 

**Cc:** ITKF Transitional Executive Committee Members

Dear ITKF Members,

On October 1, 2013 an email was circulated by Mr. Romulo Machado, the Chairman of the suspended ITKF Legal Services Committee providing legal opinions regarding the suspension of ITKF. This email contains erroneous and misleading information. Mr. Machado is not a licensed legal counsel in the United States and has never practiced law, particularly corporate law in the United States. Consequently, his authority to provide accurate and true information regarding this matter is highly questionable, particularly in light of the facts below.

## **ITKF Suspension**

1. Mr. Machado provided a report from the California Attorney General website (a copy is attached) as proof that the Chairman had filed for tax exempt status and as a result of this effort ITKF is now an active organization. A simple examination of the report provided by Mr. Machado reveals that the date of filing/issue date is shown as December 31, 1990 which is almost 23 years ago and five years before ITKF itself became incorporated in 1995.

We contacted the Office of the General Attorney – Registry of Charitable Trusts and were informed that the ITKF is not registered with their office. The organization is incorporated with the Secretary of State as a mutual benefit corporation. See attached e-mail from the Office of the General Attorney.

2. According to the California Secretary of State database the ITKF is still suspended as of October 11, 2013. Attached is the most recent inquiry about the ITKF status.

MR. MACHADO TOGETHER WITH MR. JORGENSEN ARE SPREADING LIES ALL THE TIME IN ORDER TO OBTAIN PEOPLE'S TRUST. WAKE UP, DEAR ITKF MEMBERS! HOW MANY EVIDENCE YOU NEED TO GET CONVINCED ABOUT THEIR UNWORTHY CONDUCT. THEY ARE AND WILL BE LYING TO ALL OF US AS THEY HAVE BEEN DOING FOR SO MANY YEARS.

## No Valid Constitution

Mr. Machado does not realize the difference between personal businesses versus sport organizations. A sport organization requires a valid, registered constitution during incorporation with proper signatures of all members attached to the constitution itself. As evident, there have been no such documents ever registered under California Attorney General. More so, when the Polish organization contacted the Los Angeles office to inquire about a constitution, the office personnel responded by saying that pieces of such a constitution would have to be compiled before a complete document could be put forth.

Instead of practicing transparency with the membership by providing accurate information, the Chairman and his legal advisor are manipulating and covering the truth. To remedy this situation and unite everyone, the solution is more simple than difficult; it requires the **immediate** resignation of Mr. Richard Jorgensen from all positions of ITKF, followed by the creation of a transition group to evaluate the condition and status of the suspended ITKF. This transition group would be tasked with working with the new era ITKF members to establish a legal and financially set organization that successfully carries Sensei's vision forward.

We urge all members to conduct their own inquiries, research and fact-finding, and to use this method as part of their decision-making. If anyone has any questions, we are always here to help as we can.

Sincerely Yours,

Włodzimierz Kwieciński

ITKF Acting President

on behalf of

ITKF Transitional Executive Committee Members Representative of 25 National Federations and Growing

## Attachments:

- 1. Printout from the Attorney General site.
- Printout from the California Secretary of State site.
  E-mail from the Office of the General Attorney Registry of Charitable Trusts