# PART 2: THE REQUEST FORMAT FORM ICH-09

Request by a Non-Governmental Organization to be Accredited to Provide Advisory Services to the Committee
1. Name of the organization:
World Martial Arts Union (WoMAU)
2. Address of the organization:
700 Geumreung-dong, Chungju city, Chungcheongbuk-do, Republic of Korea
3. Country or countries in which the organization is active:
national
international (please specify: )
☐ Africa
Arab States
☐ Asia & the Pacific
☐ Europe & North America
Latin America & the Caribbean
Please list the primary country(ies) where it is active:
Republic of Korea
4. Date of its founding or approximate duration of its existence:
2. Oct . 2002

# 5. Objectives of the organization:

Not to exceed 350 words

The World Martial Arts Union pronounced the following shared cognition about martial arts that motivated its founding members to create the organization.

That countries have particular martial arts with unique forms and features which originated and evolved through the ages in response to the particular security needs of the people concerned, and that such martial arts, an important cultural heritage of the people, share in forming their national character and outlook,

That martial arts, originally in the past age various combinations of the combat skills and fighting technique for self-defence and survival, are today practiced for and applied to a wide range of peaceful uses, such as physical fitness, recreation, self-defence, law enforcement action and competitive sports, and contribute in a significant way to the promotion of peace and security of the society as well as the well-being of the people,

That an international union of the martial arts will provide to the world martial arts community an institutional center long since needed for its members to better orgarnizw their efforts at contributing to the world peace by promoting friendship between peoples through martial arts and by spreading worldwide its underlying values of peace and justice,

That the Chungju World martial Arts Festival, the annual event at Chungju, Korea since 1998 is better be provided with an institutional support framework to ensure its continued growth, significantly making contribution to transmitting and conserving traditional indigenous martial arts of the various countries and peoples.

The World Martial Arts Union thus has it as its principal objective to promote understanding and friendship between different cultures( martial arts ), which is conducive to cultivating a more peaceable atmosphere and environment through out the world.

It is further believed that traditional martial arts of individual country or nation is a valuable part of cultural heritage not only of that particular country or nation concerned, Such martial arts is shared cultural heritage of us all worthy of our joint efforts for its preservation and transmission.

Therefore the Union stipulats in its charter the following four(4) specific undertakings

- 1. Collection, exchange and dissemination of Information and material
- 2. Organizing study and research activities such as seminars and conferences.
- 3. Organizing or sponsoring demonstration or exhibition events.
- 4. In connection with annual Martial Arts Festival, providing administrative and technical assistances to the member organizations with a view to facilitating their participation.

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6. The organization's activities in the field of safeguarding intangible cultural heritage
6.a. Domain(s) in which the organization is active:
oral traditions and expressions
performing arts
social practices, rituals and festive events
☐ knowledge and practices concerning nature and the universe
☐ traditional craftsmanship
☑ other domains - please specify:
security and safety skills
6.b. Primary safeguarding activities in which the organization is involved:
identification, documentation, research (including inventory-making)
□ preservation, protection
□ promotion, enhancement
⊠ revitalization
other safeguarding measures - please specify:

# 6.c. Description of the organization's activities:

Not to exceed 750 words

- Since its creation in 2002, the World Martial Arts Union has organized, the yearly event of demonstrative performances of martial arts of the various countries and peoples, the Chungju World Martial Arts Festival.

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2002 (30 country teams)
2003 (35 country teams)
2004 (30 country teams)
2005 (15 country teams)
2006 (15 country teams)
2007 (16 country teams)
2008(27 country teams), to be slated for 2 - 8 october, 2008
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- Annual general assembly of members in October every year, since its inception in 2002, where members deliberate the ways and means how better to effect the Unions objectives
- Building up reference archives for world martial arts at its Secretariat
- Operating the information website, www.womau.com
- Planning to offer what will be called Martial Arts Leadership Seminar, which is to be conducted as a condensed fellowship program for about 4 weeks, twice a year.
- Desirous of taking part in the UNESCO's ICH program and doing its possible parts in the UNESCO's ICH work, we attended UNESCO's ICH Intergovernmental Committee meetings at Tokyo(3 to 7 September 2008) and Sofia(18 to 22 February 2008), and the ICH safeguarding Convention general assembly in Paris (16 to 19 June 2008)

# 7. Its experiences cooperating with communities, groups and intangible cultural heritage practitioners:

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As is presented under item 6c above, the WoMAU works closely with its member organization in the various countries. All of its member organizations are of group of martial arts practitioners and many of them are recognized masters in their respective martial arts.

The administration and the citizenry of the host city of our Union, that is the locate of the Secretariat, are extremely supportive to the activities of our union.

For its work, the WoMAU is getting some financial support from the Korea Foundation and technical assistance from the National Research Institute of Cultural Heritage of Korea..

# 8. Documentation of the operational capacities of the organization:

Please substantiate the operational capacities of the organization with appropriate documentation, as described in paragraph 94 of the Operational Directives.

### 8.a. Membership and personnel

Please submit supporting documents.

# 8.b. Recognized legal personality

Please submit supporting documents..

### 8.c. Duration of existence and activities

Please submit supporting documents.

### 9. Contact person for correspondence:

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### 10. Signature:

# List of Member Organizations

as of August 13, 2008

Name of Organization	Country
Tal-Kin-Jeri	Australia
Korosu	Belarus
Capoeira	Brazil
Pencak Silat	Bruneil
Bulgarian Kempo	Bulgaria
Oki-Chi-Taw	Canada
Wushu	China
Savate	France
Pangration	Greece
Pencak Silat	Indonesia
Kalari	India
Iaido	Japan
Nakbabuka	Kenya
Kolo	Latvia
Savigyna	Lithuania
Silat Lincha	Malaysia
Trynta	Moldova
Let Whay	Myanmar
Hwaran Mudosu	Netherland
Matarua	New Zealand
Arnis	Philippines
Sambo	Russia
Silat Seni Gayong	Singapore
Nuba	Sudan
Stick Fighting	South Africa
Muaythai	Thailand
Cossack Fighting	Ukraine
Soilder cannon	U.S.A.
Kurash	Uzbekistan
Viet Vodao	Vietnam
Garrote Larense	Venezuela
Taegyeon	Korea
Korea Martial Art	Korea

# List of WoMAU's Current Officials

# The General meeting

- o President: Mr. Byung Yong Soh (Korea)
- Vice Presidents
  - Mr. George Lepine (Canada)
  - Mr. Summer Major (Australia)
  - Mr. Megat Zulkarnaim Bin Omardin (Malaysia)
  - Mr. Joel Dhumez (France)
  - Mr. Mohamed Hassan M. Saeed (Sudan)
  - Mr. Alisher Eshonkulov (Uzbekistan)

# The Secretariat

- o Secretary General: Mr. Keon Do Woo (Korea)
- o Deputy Secretary General: Master Jung Yeap Chun (Korea)
- Staff
  - In charge Planning and Administration
  - In charge Research works
  - In charge Member's relations and cooperation
  - In charge Chungju World Martial arts Festival coordination

# WoMAU

# <u>List of the Martial Arts Teams/Groups</u> participated in the annual exhibitory events, 2002–2007

□ 2007 (16 delegations)

Wushu(China), Martarua(New Zealand), Mudosul(Netherlands),

Korosu(Belarus), Savate(France), Arnis(Philippines), Nakbabuka(Kenya),

Muaythai(Thailand), Silat Lincah(Malaysia), Iaido(Japan), Capoeira(Brazil),

Pencak Silat(Brunei), Sambo(Russia), Pencak Silat(Indonesia)

Kurash(Uzebekistan), Garrote Lense(Venezuela)

☐ 2006 (15 delegations)

Wushu(China), Karari(India), Martarua(New Zealand), Stick Fighting(South Africa), Korosu(Belarus), Savate(France), Arnis(Philippines), Soldier Cannon(U.S.A) Muaythai(Thailand), Silat Lincah(Malaysia), Iaido(Japan), Viet Vodao(Vietnam), Sambo(Russia), Kurash(Uzebekistan), Capoeira(Brazil)

 $\square$  2005 (15 delegations)

Pencak Silat(Indonesia), Muaythai(Thailand), Silat Lincah(Malaysia), Savate(France), Karari(India), Arnis(Philippines), Martarua(New Zealand), Sambo(Russia), Trynta(Moldova), Bulgarian Kempo(Bolgaria), Cossack(Ukraine), Nakbabuka(Kenya), Iaido(Japan), Capoeira(Brazil), Wushu(China)

 $\square$  2004 (30 delegations)

Koshti(Iran), Korosu(Belarus), Capoeira(Brazil), Pencak Silat(Brunei), Bulgarian Kempo(Bulgaria), Oki Chi Taw(Canada), Pangration(Greece), Pencak Silat(Indonesia), Karari(India), Iaido(Japan), Nababuka(Kenya), Tal-Kin-Jeri(Australia), Kolo(Latvia), Savigyna(Lithuania), Silat Lincah(Malaysia), Buh(Mongolia), Trynta(Moldova), Let Whai(Myanmar), Mudosul(Netherlands), Martarua(New Zealand), Arnis(Philippines), Sambo(Russia), Senigayong(Singapore), Stick Fighting(South Africa), Muaythai(Thailand), Soldier Cannon(U.S.A), Cossack(Ukraine), Kurash(Uzbekistan), Garrote Lense(Venezuela).

Viet Vodao(Vietnam)

# ☐ 2003 (35 delegations)

Tal-Kin-Jeri(Australia), Korosu(Belarus), Capoeira(Brazil), Pencak Silat(Brunei) Bulgarian Kempo(Bulgaria), Oki Chi Taw(Canada), Wushu(China), Savate(France) Pangrtion(Greece), Pencak Silat(Indonesia), Karari(India), Iaido(Japan), Koshti(Iran) Nakbabuka(Kenya), Kolo(Latvia), Savigyna(Lithuania), Silat Lincah(Malaysia) Buh(Mongolia), Trynta(Moldova), Let Whai(Myanmmar), Mudosul(Netherlands), Matarua(New Zealand), Arnis(Philippines), Sambo(Russia), Senigayong(Singapore), Stick Fighting(South Africa), Nuba(Sudan), Schwingen(Swiss Confederation) Ngorongoto(Tanzania), Muaythai(Thailand), Soldier Cannon(U.S.A) Cossack(Ukraine), Kurash(Uzbekistan), Viet Vodao(Vietnam), Garrote Larense(Venezuela)

# ☐ 2002 (30 delegations)

Nakbabuka(Kenya), Senigayong(Singapore), Tal-Kin-Jeri(Australia), Pan Dab(Laos), Stick Fighting(South Africa), Korosu(Belarus), Kolo(Latvia) Nuba(Sudan), Capoeira(Brazil), Savigyna(Lithuania), Ngorongoro(Tanzania) Pencak Silat(Brunei), Silat Lincah(Malaysia), Muaythai(Thailand), Oki Chi Taw(Canada), Trynta(Moldova), Soldier Cannon(U.S.A), Wushu(China), Let Whai(Mynnama), Cossack(Ukraine), Savate(France), Mudosul(Netherlands) Kurash(Uzbekistan), Pangration(Greece), Matarua(New Zealand), Iaido(Japan) Viet Vodao(Vietnam), Pencak Silat(Indonesia), Arnis(Philippines), Sambo(Russia)

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# Certificate of Registration of Non-Profit Making Non Governmental Organization

- 1. The Name of the Organization: World Martial Arts Union
- 2. The Address of the Secretariat: #700, Keumneung-dong, Chungju, Chungcheongbuk do, Korea

### 3. The Head Official

- Name: Soh Byung Yong
- Registration Number: 350527 1047613
- Residence Address: #179-1, Pyungchang-dong, Chongro-ku, Seoul, Korea

# 4. Objectives

- Collection exchange and dissemination information and materials of and on traditional martial arts
- Organizing and conducting of research work through such as seminars
- Traditional martial arts education
- Chungju International Martial Arts Festival coordination

It is certified that this organization is registered under the provisions of Article 4(1) of the law on Assistance to Non-Profit-Making Non-Governmental Organizations and Article 3(1) of the Executive Ordinance for the Implementation of the Law on Assistance to Non-Profit-Making NGO's

March 25, 2003

The Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade (official seal is affixed)

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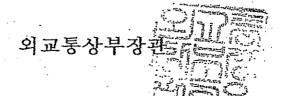
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- 1. Name of the Corporation: World Martial Arts Union, Inc.
- 2. Permit Number: No. 581
- 3. Date of Issuance of the Permit: June 25, 2008
- Domicile Address: The secretariat of World Martial Arts Union
   Geumneung-dong Chungju-si Chungcheongbuk-do, Republic of Korea
- 5. The Legal representative:

<u>Title</u> Name <u>Term of Office</u> Address

President Mr. SOH Byung Yong, President for the terms, June 25, 2008 –

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I am the minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade hereby permit the incorporation as a legal body as above by the authority under Article 32 of the Civil Code and Article 3 of the Ministry's Ordinance for the Establishment and Inspection of non-profit Organizations.

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# The Agreement of World Martial Arts Union (WoMAU)

# The Agreement of World Martial Arts Union

We, the undersigned, representatives of the national organization of traditional martial arts of the countries concerned.

Being aware that countries have particular martial arts with unique forms and features which originated and evolved through the ages in response to the particular security needs of the people concerned, and that such martial arts, an important cultural heritage of the people, share in forming their national character and outlook,

Noting that martial arts, originally in the past age various combinations of the combat skills and fighting technique for self-defence and survival, are today practiced for and applied to a wide range of peaceful uses, such as physical fitness, recreation, self-defence, law enforcement action and competivive sports, and contribute in a significant way to the promotion of peace and security of the society as well as the well-being of the people,

Believing that an international union of the martial arts will provide to the world martial arts community an institutional center long since needed for its members to better organize their efforts at contributing to the world peace by promoting friendship between peoples through marital arts and by spreading worldwide its underlying values of peace and justice, and

Being encouraged by the success of Chungju World Martial Arts Festival, the annual event at Chungju, Korea since 1998, and desirous to provide the Festival with an institutional support framework to ensure its continued growth,

Have agreed as follows.

# Article 1(Designation)

The organization established in accordance with the present agreement shall be called World Martial Arts Union (hereinafter in this agreement referred to as "the Union"). The Union is a worldwide federation of the national organizations of martial arts and international organizations of a specific martial arts.

# Article 2(Purposes)

The Union shall carry out the work to promote exchanges of personnel and information between the member organizations with a view to helping develop their martial art skills and techniques and encouraging the world martial arts community to contribute positively for the world peace.

# Article 3(Undertakings)

Serving its objective set forth in Article 2 above, the Union undertakes to do, among other things,

the following on or relating to martial arts.

- (1) collection, exchange and dissemination of information and materials
- (2) organizing study and research activities such as seminars and conferences
- (3) organizing or sponsoring demonstration or exhibition events
- (4) rendering cooperation to Chungju World Martial Arts Festival and providing administrative and technical assistances to the member organizations with a view to facilitating their participation in the Festival and other such events.

### Article 4(Membership)

- (1) The membership of the Union is open to the national organizations of martial arts of all countries, on the principal of "one member for a country"
- (2) Those national organizations that signed the present agreement and are present at the in augural meeting are original members of the Union.
- (3) Admission of member(s) other than the original members shall be effected by majority of the members at a general meeting.

- Application for membership shall include introductory material of the applicant's martial arts and be addressed to the secretary-general, who shall report it to the general meeting for its decision.
- (4) In case where there are more than one national organization in a country each representing the unique tradition of martial arts distinct from the other's, two of such organizations may become members independently despite Article 4(1) above. The additional membership application under this sub-paragraph from a country which already has one member shall be accompanied by the written consent of the member from that country. When there is no member from a country yet and two of such organizations file applications simultaneously, a mutual consent in writing shall be presented along with the applications.

# Article 5(Membership due)

- (1) There will be annual membership dues. The details of membership dues, including the amount of money to be paid, shall be decided by the general meeting at its regular meeting each year.
- (2) The Union may accept monetary contribution, donations and subsidies of voluntary nature.

# Article 6(Member facilities)

All member of the Union shall enjoy access to all events and activities organized and sponsored by the Union. Information and materials meant for the general membership shall be made available to all members without discrimination.

### Article 7(Membership withdrawal)

Any member that may wish to withdraw from the membership shall tender a written notification to that effect to the secretary-general of the Union. A withdrawal notice shall take effect ten days after its receipt by the secretary-general, who shall inform thereof to the presidents of the general meeting and all members immediately.

# Article 8(Basic organs)

A general meeting and a secretariat shall be established as the basic organs of the Union. Such other organs as may be found necessary for the purpose of the present agreement may be established in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Agreement.

# Article 9(Regular general meetings)

- (1) The general meeting, consisting of all members, shall be the principal deliberative and decision—making organ of the Union.
- (2) The general meeting shall meet once a year in a regular session at Chungju, Korea. The meeting may well be held during the period of Chungju World Martial Arts Festival for convenience' sake and the date for the meeting shall be made known to the members at least 60 days in advance by the secretary—general.
- (3) An extraordinary session of the general meeting may be called by the request of one-third of the membership submitted to the president of the general-meeting through the secretary-general.

# Article 10(General meeting's decision-making)

- (1) At the general-meeting, each member organization shall have one vote.
- (2) The quorum for the meetings of the general meeting shall be a majority of the members. Decision by the general meeting shall be made by a majority of the members present and voting.

# Article 11(General meeting's competence)

The general-meeting shall deliberate, among other things, the following matters and make decision thereon, if necessary.

- (1) Election of its president and vice presidents
- (2) Admission of new member(s)
- (3) Amendment to the present agreement
- (4) Annual report of the secretary-general, which shall include the accounts for the membership dues for the reporting period.
- (5) Program of work, especially those plans which are likely to incur financial obligations to the members.
- (6) The amount of the annual membership dues for the next year.
- (7) Review and evaluation of the Chungju World Martial Arts Festival.

### Article 12(General meeting officials)

- (1) The general meeting shall have as its elected officials one(1) president and six(6) vice presidents. The term of office of the officials shall be three(3) years from the date of respective election to his or her successor's election. The retiring president and vice president(s) shall be eligible for immediate re-election.
- (2) The president is the presiding officer of the general meetings and represents the general meeting and the Union.

- (3) When the president is not available the most senior vice president on hand shall preside at meetings as president ad interim. The seniority for this purpose shall be determined according first to the order of election and then of age.
- (4) The president, the vice presidents and the secretary-general as a non voting member constitute the steering committee, which may meet at the call of the president for consultation about business of the Union. The outcome of the meeting shall be reported to the immediately following general meeting.

# Article 13(Secretary-general)

- (1) The secretary-general, being the chief administrative officer of the Union and the head of its secretariat, is responsible for the general administration and management and for carrying out programs of work adopted by the general meeting and other works to fulfill the purposes of the present agreements.
- (2) The secretary general shall submit an annual report to the regular annual session of the general meeting, such report shall cover the previous 12months period's events and activities sponsored or organized either by the Union or member organizations, and the accounts of the membership dues by an independent auditor, among other things.
- (3) The secretary general may be present in that capacity at the general meeting and other meetings without the right to vote.

# Article 14(Secretariat)

- (1) The secretariat is the executive organ of the Union composed of the secretary general and his or her staff.
- (2) For the economy of the running costs of the dffice of the secretariat and other possible pragmatic advantages anticipated, the municipal governments of Chungju may be authorized to act as the secretariat for the Union by nominating the secretary—general and forming a special setup for the purpose.
- (3) The secretary—general shall inform the members of the roster of the secretariat immediately upon its formation.

# Article 15(Amendments)

- (1) Any member may propose an amendment to this agreement by presenting in writing to the secretary-general the text of the proposed amendment along with the reasons there for, which the secretary-general shall communicate to the members as well as the president and vice presidents of the general meeting.
- (2) The proposed amendment(s) shall be acted upon by the general meeting as the priority agenda item at its regular session meeting unless an extraordinary meeting is called for the purpose.

# Article 16(Incorporation)

The Union may be incorporated under the laws of the Republic of Korea, when the general meeting so decides.

# Article 17(Entry into force)

The present agreement shall come into force for and between those national and international martial arts organizations the day it is signed for them.

# Article 18(Depositary)

The signed original texts of this agreement shall be placed under the custody of the Mayor of Chungju. Each signatory member shall be provided with a certified copy of the original text in English language.