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03rd CISM World Military Half Marathon Championship
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TURKISH DELEGATION**

Invitation File

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Turkish Armed Forces have been entrusted by the International Military Sport Council (CISM) with the organization of the 03rd CISM World Military Half Marathon Championship.

Turkish Armed Forces have the honor, on behalf of the Ministry of Defence Türkiye, to invite a delegation representing your country to take part in this sports event, that will take place in Antalya, Türkiye 03-07 April 2026.

We sincerely hope that your delegation will take part in this 03rd CISM World Military Half Marathon Championship event that promotes friendship and good cooperation among armed forces.

Turkish Armed Forces welcome you all to this fair play competition.

Friendship through Sport!

Colonel Serkan ASLAN

Chief of the Türkiye Delegation to CISM

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Distribution List

All CISM member nations are warmly invited and strongly encouraged to participate in this World Championship.

- President of CISM,
- Official CISM Representative,
- All Continental Vice-Presidents,
- CISM Secretary General,
- All Chief(s) of Liaison Offices(s),
- President and Members of Sport Committee,
- Representatives of the CISM Partners and Sponsors,
- To the Chief of Delegation of CISM Members Countries,

1. Right to participate in the 03rd CISM World Military Half Marathon Championship.

* Only CISM active member nations have the right to participate in the 03rd CISM World Military Half Marathon Championship.

* An inactive nation, intending to take part in the event must pay its annual fee right after the deadline of the Preliminary Agreement of the world military championship for sending the final entry. If it is not done, the delegation will not be able to take part in the event.

* At the request of organizing committee in order to ensure perfect organization, regarding the accommodation capacity, the number of participating countries or participants may be limited.

2. General Program of the 03rd World Military Half Marathon Championship

DATE	ACTIVITY
Friday, 03 rd April 2026	• Arrival of the Missions • Check-in procedures • Unofficial Training
Saturday, 04 th April 2026	• Preliminary/Technical Meeting (uniform) • Race inspection • Opening Ceremony (uniform)
Sunday, 05 th April 2026	• Competition • Closing/Medal Ceremony (uniform) • Official Dinner/Gift Exchange (Class A uniform)
Monday, 06 th April 2026	• Cultural Day • Banquet
Tuesday, 07 th April 2026	• Departures of all participants

3. Composition of the Mission

Chief of Mission	1
Coaches (men / women)	2
Competitors Female	4
Competitors Male	4
Ad Libitum (if at least 6 competitors)	1
CSC Member	1
Total	13

** Only CISM active member nations have the right to participate in CISM events (CISM Regulations, Article 1.10). Additional mission members will not be accepted without official written permission of the organizer.*

4. Access to the Location of the Competition

All participants arriving to Antalya/Türkiye will be welcomed at the Antalya International Airport or the Antalya Bus Station by the Organizing Committee and transported to the Karpuzkaldıran Military Camping Center.

Participants arriving by own car can drive directly to “Karpuzkaldıran Military Camping Center”. Organizer cannot provide transportation from any other points of arrival.

Note:

** If you plan to use car with military registration numbers and tactical signs, arrangements for immigration have to be made by the official diplomatic channels (Military attaché).*

** The cost of travel to go and come back from Türkiye will be responsibility of the participating country.*

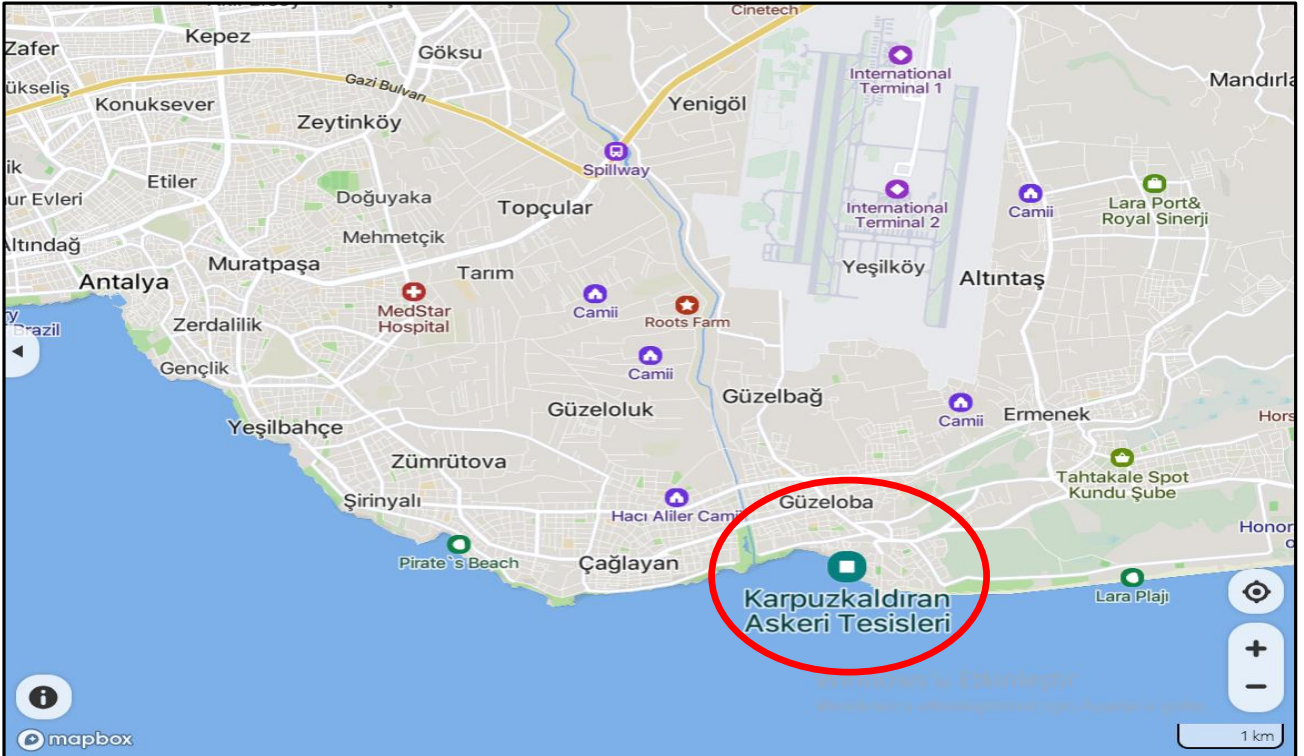
** Turkish Delegation to CISM will ensure the transportation from the place of arrival to place of stay and also the transport during the competition.*

5. Conditions of Stay

During their stay in Türkiye, the missions will be the guests of the Turkish Armed Forces from 03rd to 07th April 2026. Full board and lodging are at the expense of the organizer. Accommodation will be provided at Karpuzkaldıran Military Camping Center.

Organizer cannot host earlier arrivals or late departures. Special requests, like additional drinks or and hotel accommodation (*the organizer must be informed during the registration*), have to be paid by the delegation itself.

Extra expenses including: telephone, laundry and drinks must be paid by the consumers. Additional mission members will not be accepted without official written permission of the organizer. First aid for the participants will be provided by the organizer.



- **An administrative fine of 500 EUR** will be imposed on any country that submitted the final entry but failed to participate or canceled late, in accordance with Article 7.27 of the CISM Regulations.
- In line with a recent CISM Board decision, delegations may choose accommodations outside those provided by the host nation, pending approval by the Local Organizing Committee (LOC). Delegations opting for this will be fully responsible for managing all arrangements, including transportation, logistics, and associated costs. In this case LOC is not able to secure the safety of the mission.

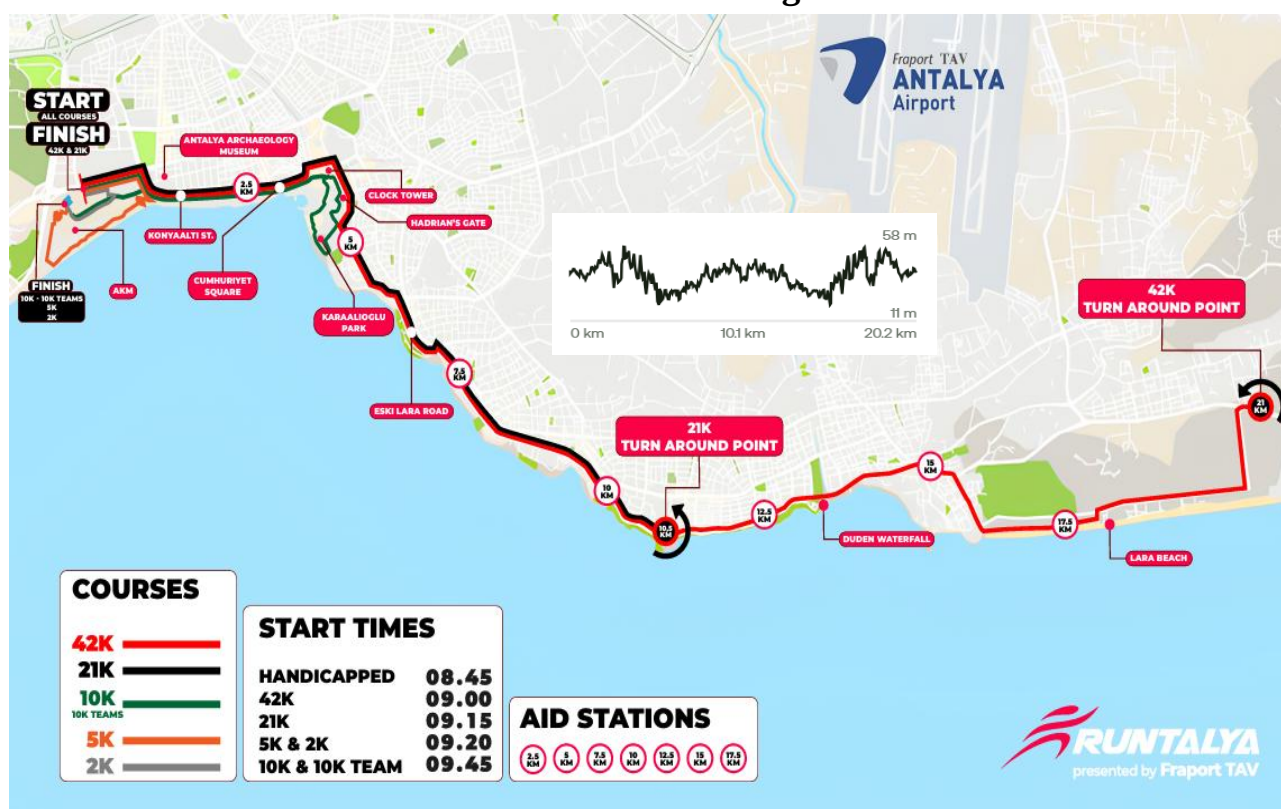
6. Regulations of the Championship

* 03rd CISM World Military Half Marathon Championship will be realized in the streets of Antalya city and governed by CISM regulations. The following individual and team competitions will be organized:

- Half marathon (men)
- Half marathon (women)

* The competitions will follow CISM (*edition June 2025*) and World Athletics regulations for track and field with half marathon. The racing distance for the half marathon is 21.0975 km. All participants in the competitions must be entered in the list of accredited competitors, and their entries must be confirmed at latest during the preliminary technical meeting. The race is integrated into the course of the International Runtalya Marathon.

* **Within the framework of the Balkan Games Project, the CISM Balkan Half Marathon Championship will be held during the World Championships. Men's and women's individual and team awards will be given to CISM Balkan countries.**





6.1 Organization

The Organizing Committee will be responsible for the competitions of the 03rd CISM World Military Half Marathon Championship. The opening and closing ceremony will be organized according to CISM Procedure Manual, Article 3.26, Ceremonies and Protocol.

6.1.1 Venues and times

The Organizing Committee will determine the venues and times of the competitions and the teams will be notified accordingly.

The Organizing Committee is authorized to change the venues and times of the competitions. These decisions will be final.

6.1.2 Equipment

The Participating Missions shall undertake to comply with the CISM Equipment Regulations in force. Participating Missions are not allowed to display political, religious, commercial or personal messages in any language or form on their playing or team kits, equipment, or body during the time spent in the halls or any other areas where accreditation is required to gain access.

6.1.3 Disciplinary matters

* Disciplinary incidents will be dealt with in compliance with CISM Policy Manual – 2008, Article 1.11, Sanctions.

* The Participating Missions and their athletes agree to comply with the CISM's statutes and regulations; WADA's doping regulations, the equipment regulations, and the commercial regulations. Likewise, agree to comply with all further CISM guidelines, circulars, directives and decisions that apply to the 03rd CISM World Military Half Marathon Championship,

* The players agree notably to:

- behave accordingly their situation as militaries,
- refrain from doping as defined by the WADA Doping Control Regulations.

6.1.4 System of competition

Competitions of 03rd CISM World Military Half Marathon Championship will be realized as follows: Half marathon will be realized in the streets of Antalya city and governed by CISM regulations.

The winners will receive the medal and the military personnel will be ranked in individual and team competition.

The organizer of the 03rd CISM World Military Half Marathon Championship event

will provide medals and cups for top three finishers and top three teams (men and women). The team time score will be calculated from the total time scores of the best three finishers from one team.

6.1.5 Referees

The Organizing Committee will select a Referees' Committee, which in turn will appoint the referees of the competition.

6.1.6 General

* These regulations are but one part of the complete, and the 03rd CISM World Military Half Marathon Championship must be read along with the instructions found in "Basic Rules and Regulations and Disciplinary Procedures".

* In the event of a discrepancy between the Regulations written here and those appearing in the "Basic Rules and Regulations", the regulations written here will apply and be binding.

7. Anti-doping

Anti-Doping tests will be conducted in accordance with the CISM Regulations – Chapter IX, CISM Anti-Doping Rules, the concerned CISM Sports Regulations, the concerned International Federation Rules, and all WADA rules, mainly the World Anti-Doping Code, and the International Standard for Testing.

The number and type of tests, as well the athletes to be tested shall be determined by the CISM Anti- Doping commission. These procedures will follow the concerned CISM Test Distribution Plain (*TDP*). In case an athlete has a Therapeutic Use Exemption (*TUE*), the chief of delegation should send this TUE to the CISM GS until 30 days before the opening ceremony. This TUE will be submitted to the TUE commission to analysis and further approval.

Below are the Organizations Accredited by WADA to carry out the tests during the Championship:

- * *Sample Collection Authority (SCA): Turkish Anti-Doping Commission, bilgi@tdmk.org.tr, operasyon@tdmk.org.tr, Şehit Ersan Street 24/2-5, 06 680 Ankara*
- * *Accredited Laboratory: Turkish Doping Control Center, Hacettepe University/Ankara*

CISM Anti-Doping Symbol





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8. Uniforms

Military uniform is mandatory for the opening and closing ceremonies, as well as for official invitations. The Chief of Mission is required to wear Class A (*Jacket and Tie*) at these activities.

- * Remind the participants that the uniforms are mandatory for the opening and closing ceremonies.

- * Request the participants' flag and that the Chief of delegation to check if their respective national anthem, available on the CISM Extranet (<http://members.milспорт.one/officialdocuments/protocol-events-guidelines>), is up to date and can be used in sports competitions.

9. Medical Care

An adequate medical dispoitif and first-aid cover will be provided.

IMPORTANT: Since Türkiye has no military hospitals, we will make use of private medical facilities if the need arises. These services are not free, and the delegations need to have an insurance which would cover the entire cost of a treatment. All costs have to be payed by the participating nation.

10. Customs and Visa Procedures

For information on passports and visas for entry into Türkiye, please contact the Turkish Embassy in your country.

In order to avoid problems with deadlines for granting Visas adopted by different countries and embassies, we recommend that participants contact the Turkish Embassy in your own country and schedule an appointment soon after sending the Preliminary Agreement.

11. Weather Conditions

The average temperatures in Antalya at this time will be between is 12 to 22 degrees Celsius (*during the day*). There is a possibility of rain (%20).



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12. Registration Forms Deadlines

Before 01st January 2026.

Preliminary agreement, Annex 1

Please use the attached form to indicate if your delegation will participate in the 03rd CISM World Military Half Marathon Championship 2026 and how many participants your mission is expected to include.

Before 15th February 2026.

Final entry – Composition of the mission, Annex 2a,

Final entry – Commitment by the Chief of Mission, Annex 2b

Before 15th March 2026.

Final entry – Travel data, Annex 3

Please note that the Final Entry must be submitted in time. The registration of additional participants during the Late Replacement will only be approved by the Organizing Committee if there are still enough accommodation capacities available.

13. Correspondence

All the correspondence concerning the championship is to be sent to:

Turkish Delegation to CISM
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Ministry of Defence
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+ 90 505 703 81 60
E-mail: turkishmilitarycism@outlook.com.tr
s.aslan678@gmail.com
turkishcism@tsk.tr

14. Currency

* The currency in Türkiye is Turkish Liras. Currency exchange is available at the airport and local banks. It is also possible to withdraw cash from an automated cash point.

* In Karpuzkaldıran Military Camping Center, only debit and credit cards are accepted. So if you want use your debit/credit cards in Karpuzkaldıran Military Camping Center, it is required to open them international roaming.



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15. Eligibility

Competitors must be active duty military personnel in their respective countries, with valid military identity cards, in accordance with CISM Policy Manual art. 3.19.

16. Traveling Expenses

The cost of travel to go and to come back from the point of arrival/departure will be the responsibility of the participating nation. Local transportations during the championship will be at the expense of the organizer.

17. National Anthems and Flags

We kindly ask all the participants to bring with them a CD with their national anthem and one national flag of 1 x 1.5 m size.

18. Other Issues

Together with final entry form, please send photos of each delegation member and participants to prepare ID cards: showing the full face from the front, not less than 300 dpi and file name: (*rank_name_surname_function*)



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ANNEX 1

PRELIMINARY AGREEMENT

To be returned before **01st January 2026** to:

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NATION:

TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS:

	Officials	Athletes	Total
Men			
Women			
Total			

- Does your delegation need a visa to travel?
If the answer is **YES**, start the process immediately. ☐ YES ☐ NO
- Do your athletes need TUE?
If the answer is YES, you can already start the process. ☐ YES ☐ NO

MEANS OF TRANSPORT: _____

DATE: _____

SIGNATURE OF CHIEF OF DELEGATION

RANK/NAME _____

Your Contact	Rank/Name	
	Phone	
	Fax	
	E-Mail	



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ANNEX 2a

FINAL ENTRY - COMPOSITION OF THE MISSION

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NATION:

#	Function	Rank	Surname	First name	Passport No
1.	Chief of Mission				
2.	Coach (male team)				
3.	Coach (female team)				
4.	Ad Libitum (if at least 6 competitors)				
5.	CSC Member				
6.	Male athlete				
7.					
8.					
9.	Female athletes				
10.					
11.					
12.					
13.					

In strict compliance with applicable **CISM Regulations – Chapter VII, Art. 7.23, I**, the undersigned Chief of Delegation, hereby officially confirm that all athletes representing my nation in the CISM event are on active duty in my nation's Armed Forces. I understand that sanctions may be imposed against my nation, my mission, my team, individual athletes, or myself for violation of this provision (**CISM Regulations Chapter I, Art. 1.12**).

- Does your delegation need a visa to travel? ☐ YES ☐ NO
If the answer is **YES**, continue the process you already started when sending the Preliminary Agreement.
- Do your athletes need TUE? ☐ YES ☐ NO
If the answer is **YES**, start the process immediately.

DATE: _____

SIGNATURE OF CHIEF OF DELEGATION

RANK/NAME _____



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ANNEX 2b

FINAL ENTRY - COMMITMENT BY THE CHIEF OF MISSION

NATION:

The undersigned, Chief of Mission declare that he has read the Article 3.28. of the CISM Policy Manual and moreover understood the following prescriptions:

Article 1.10. RIGHTS OF MEMBER NATIONS

- A. Active member nations have the right to:
 - 2. Be invited to all CISM championships.
- B. Inactive member nations have the same rights as active member nations except that:
 - 2. They do not participate in any CISM event until they have met their financial obligations (principle "No Pay – No Play"). If they want to take part in CISM competitions, the membership fee must be paid before the deadline set to return the final entry for the respective competition.

Article 7.22. PARTICIPATION - MILITARY STATUS

- A. Only military personnel on active duty in Armed Forces may take part in competitions organized by CISM except for Para sport (See below Art. 7.22. C.).
- B. No one may be recalled to active duty in the Armed Forces for the purpose of participating in a CISM competition. In the case of an intermittent military service, the athletes regularly recalled may not take part in CISM competitions, under any circumstances, if more than 18 months have elapsed between this recall and the end of their last call to arms except for Para sport (See below Art. 7.22. C.).
- C. Veteran soldiers wounded or injured while on active duty may be included as part of a nation's mission and participate in CISM Paraspport competition/event.
- D. Exceptions to the above may be authorized by the General Assembly, upon recommendation of the Board of Directors.
- E. All military participants in a CISM event shall be in possession of proper documentation which signifies active military service of the member nation he represents. The documentation can be:
 - 1. a valid military identity card for those athletes who are authorized to present their military identity cards abroad,
 - 2. a form of verification (in English and/or French) of military status accompanied by a passport,
 - 3. For the Veteran para-athletes, the Chief of Delegation concerned must certify in writing that the veteran soldier was wounded or injured on active duty.
- F. By signing the final entry, the Chief of Delegation confirms the military status of the participating athletes. If there are last minute changes in the participation of the athletes, the verification file may be signed by the Chief of Mission, but shall be confirmed by the Chief of Delegation by official letter.
- G. If one of these documents is not available, participation is refused.
- H. An athlete who has represented one country in CISM competitions (World Military Championship, World Games, World Winter Games, continental and regional championship), In the Olympic Games, or in any competition at world, continental or regional level recognized by the relevant IF, and who has changed his/her nationality or acquired a new nationality, may participate in CISM competitions representing his/her new country provided that at least two years have passed since the competitor last represented his/her former country.



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Article 7.23. COMPOSITION OF A MISSION

- D.** Delegations are required to strictly respect the standard composition of a participating mission. No other additional member may be included in the mission without special authorization from the organizing nation. In all cases where the composition is not respected, missions shall pay the extra accommodation costs. Host nations have neither financial nor organizational obligations towards people who are not included in the mission (relatives, spectators ...).

Article 7.25. PARTICIPATION OF AN INACTIVE MEMBER NATION

Athletes or teams of an inactive member nation may not participate in any CISM event (art 1.10 of the Regulations).

Article 7.31. CHIEF OF MISSION

- A.** Chief of Mission
1. Chiefs of Mission shall be familiar with CISM regulations.
 2. Missions must not only participate or be present at sports events, they are also required to participate in information conferences on CISM, study days, commemorative and cultural events and ceremonies organized by the host nation.
- B.** Conduct of a Mission
1. The Chief of Mission is responsible for the behavior of his/her team in sports and general discipline. He shall ensure that members of his/her Mission respect the rules and directives prescribed by CISM and organizers of the championship. The respect of schedules is particularly important as they form the basis for the effective conduct of competitions and ceremonies.
 2. The Chief of Mission shall also enforce the rules concerning behavior and dress during the ceremonies. He plays an important role in promoting the CISM spirit among his/her mission, a spirit represented by friendly attitude towards other missions, courtesy towards organizers and fair play in competition.

Article 8.6. ABSENCE OF A MISSION WITHOUT NOTIFICATION

If a mission which submits a preliminary agreement and/or final entry is absent without notifying the host nation in time, a sanction will be imposed (CISM Regulations, Art. 1.12).

Article 8.17. RULES OF STAY

- A.** General
1. The Chiefs of Mission are responsible for the discipline of their mission. The missions fall under the jurisdiction of the organizing nation. During events, all athletes present on the playing fields are equal before the jury, the referees and to themselves. No one may use his/her rank to impose his/her views on sports matters.
 2. Civilian members of the missions shall conform to the discipline accepted by all other participants.
- B.** Military uniforms
1. Unless otherwise approved by the Official CISM Representative, all participants shall wear a military uniform during official ceremonies such as the opening and closing ceremonies and medal-awarding ceremonies. Individuals without proper uniform will not be allowed to participate in the championship. In this case, the President of CISM will inform by letter the Chief of Staff of the nation's Armed Forces with a copy to the Chief of Delegation.
 2. The presentation of medals takes place, in principle, during the closing ceremony. The



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CISM presentation of medals may be done in sports uniforms, if for organizational reasons it is not

possible to wear military uniforms. This is the case e.g. when the presentation immediately follows a championship sports event. Sports uniforms shall respect the corresponding national criteria (training suit, sports shoes, etc.) Displaying the national flag on the podium by the recipient (athlete or team) at a medal awarding ceremony is forbidden. Individuals failing to respect these prescriptions shall not receive their medal(s) during the official ceremonies.

C. Forbidden actions

1. In conformity with the statutes and traditions of CISM, any political or religious propaganda during a CISM event, in particular the dissemination of documents, pictures, brochures, reviews, etc. is strictly forbidden.

2. Any contravention shall result in the exclusion of the mission from further competition and may result in additional sanctions (Regulations Art. 1.12).

3. CISM has zero tolerance for all forms of harassment including sexual harassment and sexual assault. All allegations of harassment and sexual assault will be swiftly and completely investigated and appropriate sanctions taken.

Article 8.19. ACCOMMODATION

A. Accommodations for missions will be the best available, depending on possibilities at the disposal of organizers and based on categories of guests with reference to article 8.19.C. All Chiefs of Mission are officers and shall be treated as such with equal courtesy, regardless of rank. In case a hosting nation allows staying in other accommodations, this must be mentioned in the Invitation File, Missions that choose to stay in hotels at their own expense must inform the Local Organizing Committee (LOC) in advance in Preliminary Agreement and Final Entry. The LOC will have no obligation to provide extra logistical, financial, or transportation support for these missions and the missions still have to fulfill all their mandatory tasks.

E. All missions, including those of the host nation, shall be accommodated under the same conditions. However, the host nation can provide the possibility to choose another accommodation at own expenses. When this possibility is mentioned in the Invitation File, Missions can choose not to accept the accommodations provided by the LoC and opt for own accommodations. They must inform the LOC via Preliminary Agreement and Final Entry.

DATE: _____

SIGNATURE OF CHIEF OF MISSION

RANK/NAME _____



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ANNEX 3

FINAL ENTRY - TRAVEL DATA

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NATION:

	PLACE	DATE	FLIGHT Nr. TRAIN Nr. BUS Nr. CAR Registration	TIME
ARRIVAL				
DEPARTURE				

DATE: _____

SIGNATURE OF CHIEF OF DELEGATION

RANK/NAME _____

Your Contact	Rank/Name	
	Phone	
	Fax	
	E-Mail	