



# International Taekwon-Do Federation

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## Bureau du Président / Office Of the President

Quebec city, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2007.

To all National Associations, supportive members and high ranking members,

### **ITF Legal Situation Update**

This letter will provide you with more information about the recent court decisions in favor of the ITF that I mentioned in the Special President's Message posted on the ITF Website on September 18th. On the question of who are the legitimate officers of the ITF, the Civil Court judge in Vienna has ruled that the election at the Congress held in Warsaw in 2003 is valid and that the officers elected at that time are the legitimate leaders of the ITF. The judgment clearly states that Mr. Chang Ung was never elected to the position of president of the ITF and that he has no right to call himself the president or to act on behalf of the ITF.

To help you understand the circumstances surrounding these court cases, we have prepared the attached summary in the form of an interview with questions and answers. This document explains why the ITF took legal action against Mr. Chang Ung and against Master Choi Jung Hwa and gives details of the court decisions. It also gives highlights of what the ITF team has accomplished over the last four years and emphasizes the improvements we have made to the organization.

I invite you to use this document to inform the ITF people in your country about these legal decisions in favor of the ITF and to answer any questions they or other interested parties may have. It will also be a useful tool when you approach Taekwon-Do practitioners who belong to another organization (or do not belong to any organization) to encourage them to join the ITF. Also, if you believe that this could bring a positive impact for your association, I invite you to post this document on your website.

I am sending letters to Mr. Jacques Rogge, President of the International Olympic Committee, and to the Ethics Commission of the IOC, to lodge an official complaint and ask that they investigate Mr. Chang Ung's unethical and illegal actions. I will also be informing the President of the World Taekwondo Federation that the court in Vienna has ruled that Mr. Chang Ung is not (and has never been) the president of the ITF. Mr. Chang Ung has had meetings with the President of the WTF to discuss a possible merger of the two organizations, so it is essential to inform the WTF that Mr. Chang Ung has no right to speak or act on behalf of the ITF.

I urge you to use this information to inform the IOC representative in your country about this situation and to ask that representative to push for an investigation of Mr. Chang Ung's actions. You may also wish to release the story to your national media. These court decisions can also be used to prove to government authorities in your country that your organization represents the real ITF.

Please contact the Master Wim Bos, Secretary General, for administrative matters such as application for new members, recognition of degree certificate from other International Taekwon-Do organisations or the President's office for more information regarding our actions on the ITF legal matters. We would also be pleased to hear about the results of your efforts.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Trần Quân', with a long horizontal flourish underneath.

Master Trần Triều Quân  
President of the ITF

In attachments:

1. "Evolution of ITF legal cases against Mr. Chang Ung and Master Choi Jung Hwa"
2. "An interview with Master Trần Triều Quân"
3. Two judgments from Canadian courts; December 2006 & July 2007
4. Judgment by default from Austrian court; September 2005
5. Judgment from Austrian court; August 2007
6. English text for summary of the judgment from Austrian court