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To ITKF members

CBKT is deeply sorry for all that is happening between the Traditional Karate Federation of Poland and ITK. It is clear that the Traditional Karate has only to lose and weaken with such internal divergences which by our opinion should be treated ethically and privately. We should think that whoever is going to benefit from these divergences certainly is not Traditional Karate but other organizations.

As for the proposal of a forum to discuss Traditional Karate future, we consider it a great idea, as long as planned with enough ahead time, with worldwide representatives, in a neutral country and absent from emotional deviations.

We would like to reaffirm our commitment to ITKF, Brazil has been a part of it since its foundation and believe in its future. We participated in all ITKF competitions with a significative number of athletes; we hosted two world championships and countless Pan-American championships. Also in the last world championship we had the larger number of athletes for a foreign team. Brazilian Traditional Karate has been increasing its affiliated numbers in a regular basis over the last years and we would like to see ITKF growing stronger, so we could also support and be supported and have an effective and global representativeness.

A few people are aware that one of the closest counselors of Master Nishiyama throughout the technical and structural development of Traditional Karate was Master Yasutaka Tanaka. Master Nishiyama kept frequent contact with Master Tanaka, sharing great respect and friendship.

CBKT also must clarify all ITKF members that we are not going to participate in the Poland Cup and we are not sending any representative. No athlete, judge or diligent is authorized to represent Brazil. There is female athlete, who traveled to Poland had all expenses paid by the organization of the Cup. This athlete is disaffiliated from CBKT, which means she is NOT part of Brazilian Traditional Karate and as a further explanation, she also has no



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international titles whatsoever. There is also a judge who traveled as invited, against the determination from CBKT and will answer for his disobedience. Therefore the female athlete, DOES NOT represent Brazil and is no longer part of the Brazilian Traditional Karate and the judge, DOES NOT represent Brazil nor CBKT.

We would like also to clarify that that the organization of the event, in an unethical way, made direct contact and invitations to other athletes and judges from Brazil, all by Mr. Nelson Carrion.

I end this with hope that we can reset our institution and strengthen it within an ethical, responsible and democratic basis.

Sincerely,

Gilberto Gaertner
CBKT Chairman