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Votes are represented as follows: for example, (41-2-1) means votes in favor 41; abstentions 2; votes against 1.

1. APPROVAL OF THE SCHEDULE

1.1 Daniel Cheifetz, the outgoing WSA chairperson, welcomed everyone to the Congress and described his feeling that it is a need for changes in our organization and helper culture. He explained that his own proposals are intended only to initiate a process of change at Congress to which everyone is welcome to participate (see appendix 1 and for country proposals appendices 27-32).

1.2 Subud Greece asked why the outgoing international helpers were already testing new people for the position of international helper when all roles were tabled for discussion and there was a possibility of the roles changing, including that of international helper. In response, Daniel presented three options to the delegates:

- a) To tell the international helpers to stop testing
- b) To let the helpers continue their work, but to ask them to not make any decisions for the moment, until the proposal from Greece has been discussed and voted on.
- c) To allow the international helpers to continue their work without interference from the national delegations of Congress.

Informal voting on the 24th July showed that in favor of option a): 1 country; in favor of option b): 7 countries; and in favor of option c): 13 countries. Informal voting on the 26th July indicated that there were 28 country delegations in favor of the international helpers continuing with their testing as normal, with no abstentions and no votes against (28-0-0). Subud Greece withdrew its proposal and the international helpers and kejiwaan councilors began a dialogue outside of the plenary sessions.

(Note: During this part of the Congress, some delegates thought that Subud Greece's proposal was that the kejiwaan councilors should perform the testing of the new international helpers. In fact, this was not Subud Greece's proposal, but that it was rather that the kejiwaan councilors should be involved in the testing of the other international organization's officers. Like Subud Greece, Subud Germany questioned the idea of testing the new international helpers early in the Congress at a time when all roles were still under discussion.)

1.3 Subud Portugal requested that the program for general sessions for the 29th and 30th July be switched so that the testing of the new WSA and ISC chairpersons be brought forward to the 29th. Informal voting was in favor of continuing with the existing program (22-1-1).

1.4 The Congress established five forums as had been recommended by the WSC. The coordinators of each forum presented the basic aims of their group and, during the course of the Congress, reported on the progress to date.

2. APPOINTMENTS: PRELIMINARIES

2.1 During the plenary or general sessions of the 29th and 30th of July, there was a discussion of postponing the appointment of the WSA chairperson and, especially, the ISC chairperson. Since the nature of these roles was under discussion in the forums, some countries thought it would be premature to appoint someone to a role that was still unclear. On the other hand, some countries wanted to move ahead.

2.2 It was agreed that the Congress and not the WSC should appoint the ISC chairperson (Norway, Canada) (38-1-0).

2.3 Congress confirms that the World Subud Congress can take place in any country regardless of where the ISC chairperson resides (Australia, UK) (37-1-1).

2.4 If in this Congress we do not select the location of the next Congress, Congress delegates to the WSC the decision about the location of the next World Congress (Portugal, Angola) 34-2-0).

2.5 It was agreed that SYAI and SESI would function as ISC subcommittees but that the coordinator of each would be invited to attend the WSC meetings as participants (see minute 7.2 and attachment 3).

3. APPOINTMENTS

3.1 Each candidate presented him or herself and explained briefly how she or he saw the function. Following testing, Congress appoints Osanna Vaughn as WSA Chairperson (New Zealand, Portugal) (38-0-0).

3.2 Following testing, Congress appoints Garrett Thomson as ISC Chairperson.

3.3 Osanna announced that the new WSA deputy chairperson would be Frederic Richard.

3.4 Garrett announced that the ISC Vice-Chairperson would be Maya Bernardes and that the ISC Treasurer was Samuel Simonsson.

3.5 The following persons were appointed as chairpersons of World Subud Association affiliates: SDIA chairperson Sharifin Gardiner, and SICA Chairperson Olivia Moyano. Following a request from SICA, a Vice-Chairperson was also appointed: Arnold Landen.

3.6 Congress appoints Rhyana Blakely and Hamilton Manley as the SYAI coordinators and Sachlan Fraval as the SESI coordinator.

3.7 In a plenary session, the WSA directors chose from among the candidates for trustee of MSF, following the guidance of the latihan, after inviting questions from the national delegates. The new trustees of the MSF are:

Leonard van Willensward
Simone Waddell
Rusdi Bustillo
Olvia Reksodipoetro

Current trustees are: Rohanna Mitchell, Ismana Haryono, and Wayne Lerrigo. It was reported that the MSF Board appointed Rohana Mitchell as the Chairperson of MSF.

3.8 The new Zonal representatives were introduced to Congress.

Zone 1/2	Renata Peek
Zone 3	Reinbrand Visman
Zone 4	Valentin Willecke
Zone 5/6	Lateef Dada Bashua
Zone 7	Mariamah Flores Torres
Zone 8	Machrus Garces
Zone 9	Elisa Sanchez Caballero

3.9 The following persons were tested in as international helpers:

Area 1: Raina McKechnie, Judy Gibb, Asmaniah Fraval, Mason Cook, Robert Goonetilleke, Sugandi P.

Area II: Heloise Jackson, Farah Czwiertnia, Lora Bilger, Andrew Holloway, Jorge Guerin, Saroni Bassi

Area III: Dorotea de Arenas, Sarah Becker, Sylvia Margolin, Mattheus Kaslan, Paul Roberge, Emmanuel Aronie.

4. NEXT WORLD CONGRESS:

4.1 The following countries, which are willing to host the next Subud World Congress, made a brief presentation: Chile, Canada, South Africa and New Zealand. Subud France proposed to arrange the Congress in Morocco.

4.2 It was agreed that at its next meeting, the WSC should select the country to host the 2009 World Congress (35-1-0).

5. FORUM 1: DEVELOPING OUR PRACTICE OF THE LATIHAN

5.1 Lucia Böhm and Hadrian Fraval facilitated this group, which was open to helpers and members and which was attended by over 300 people. Hadrian explained the process by which the conclusions of the report were reached whereby a record was kept of the

discussions of all 7 sub-groups. The resulting recommendations were distilled from these discussions (see attachment 1).

5.2 Congress thanks the participants of this forum for their hard work. Some country delegations expressed reservations about the tone of parts of the report, which seemed to be authoritarian especially given that the international organization cannot issue mandates to local groups. It was thought that it would be more appropriate if the report was offered as an invitation for Subud groups to participate in a similar process of helper renewal.

5.3 Following this discussion, the term ‘resolves’ was removed from the document and Congress agreed that ISC distribute the report and include a letter explaining and sharing the process by which the helpers and members of many cultures arrived at the report, together with an invitation that local groups and countries go through a similar kind of process (28-3-0).

6. FORUM 2: STRENGTHENING OUR ORGANIZATION

6.1 This forum was facilitated by Raina McKechnie. The attached report of the forum is divided into three parts (see attachment 2). Parts 1 and 2 are ‘What to do in the next four years – ‘Working Together’ and ‘Assessing the use of the structure.’ The third part consists of a number of miscellaneous organizational items that were voted on separately and are included as minute items 10-15 below.

6.2 It was clarified that the reference to a permanent ISC office does not mean that ISC should be permanently located in one place but rather the accounting and perhaps some record keeping functions could be more permanently located for the sake of continuity.

6.3 Congress recommends that WSC and ISC use Parts 1 and 2 of the forum’s report as a guideline and as a reminder to involve the WSA member countries in the work. (34-0-0)

7. FORUM 3: NURTURING MEMBER ACTIVITIES PROJECTS, AND INITIATIVES

7.1 Oliver Haitzmann facilitated this forum; the report is attached (see attachment 3).

7.2 Following a discussion concerning the status of SYAI and SESI within the organization, the report of the working group was accepted. (29– 0 – 0)

8. FORUM 4: OUR DUTY TO BE PRESENT IN THE WORLD

8.1 This forum was facilitated by Hamid da Silva, and it consisted in three sub-groups: a) the image of Subud, b) Subud centers and communication, and c) participation with other organisations and in international fora.

8.2 The paper on the Image of Subud (attachment 4) was accepted with the proviso that the work to be done in this area need not be done necessarily by a committee but rather may also be delegated task by task to individuals (29-0-0).

8.3 The report on Subud centers was received with thanks and is attached (attachment 5).

8.3 There was a discussion on the report 'Participation with other international organizations and fora during which reservations about the need for Subud's involvement in UN meetings were expressed and concerns regarding Subud's non-political status were voiced. Others expressed the need for Subud to be more present and active in the world and to collaborate with other organizations.

8.4 On the basis that the attached report recommends further study of these issues by an ISC subcommittee, the report was accepted with the enclosed amendments. (26-2-4) (see attachment 6). The "no" votes agreed to follow the majority opinion.

9. FORUM 5: DEVELOPING FINANCIAL FRAMEWORKS AND STRATEGIES

The Congress receives with thanks the attached reports from the financial forum, which was chaired by Osanna Vaughn (see attachments 7 and 8).

10. NEW MEMBER COUNTRIES:

Congress resolves that the following countries be admitted as members of the WSA: Hungary, Lithuania, Israel, Moldova, Angola, Congo Brazzaville, Cuba, Ecuador, and Pakistan. These countries have not yet been formally added to WSA and they do have National Committees. (29-0-0)

11. ZONE CHANGE:

Following a request from Subud Surinam, Congress resolves that Surinam be moved from Zone 8 to Zone 7 (29-0-0).

12. SDIA BYLAW CHANGE

The attached changes to the articles and bylaws of Susila Dharma International Association (SDIA) were agreed (29-0-0) (attachments 11 and 12).

13. INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE

13.1 A proposal from the international assistance working group, 'A Framework for Care Support', was presented to the Congress forum 'Strengthening our Organization.' Following an assurance regarding the holding and accounting of funds, the forum agreed to recommend to Congress the proposal from the working group.

13.2 The WSA accepts the proposal 'A Framework for Care Support' as a way to implement the responsibility of the Association in caring for members in real need, and as outlined in the following Key documents

01 Introduction

02 The Care Support Framework (29-0-0). (See Attachments 9 and 10)

13.3 Congress extends a warm thanks to Jim Williams and Mairi Store who have been serving the international almoners for many years.

14. PRIVACY POLICY

14.1 Congress recommends that all Subud bodies that have information about members, establish, publish and implement privacy standards concerning this member information.

14.2 Congress recommends that all Subud bodies distribute emails using the 'BC' address line instead of the 'TO' and 'CC' address lines. This will protect the recipients from hackers (29-0-0).

15. WSA BYLAW CHANGES

15.1 Congress rejects the attached proposed change to the WSA bylaws regarding the WSA directors. (29-0-0) The proposal adds nothing and is redundant (see attachment 2 part 3).

15.2 Congress rejects the attached proposed change to the WSA bylaws concerning decision-making (29-0-0). The WSC is already included in the existing clause and therefore, the proposed alteration is superfluous (see attachment 2 part 3).

16. MINUTES OF LAST WORLD CONGRESS

The attached minutes of the 11th World Congress were approved (27-2-0) (attachment 13).

17. ANNOUNCEMENT

It was announced that the heads of agreement for a contract had been signed by PTS Widjojo and the trustees of the Bank Susila Bakti Trust; this constitutes the first step in the process of reaching a settlement.

18. THANKS

Congress extended a warm thanks to Daniel Cheifetz, Meldan Heaslip, and Laurencio Young and to the whole outgoing WSC and ISC teams. Congress also extended a warm thank you to the Congress Organizing Team and to all the volunteers.

II. ATTACHMENTS

1. Forum 1: Developing our practice of the latihan
2. Forum 2: Strengthening our organization.
3. Forum 3: Nurturing members' activities
4. Forum 4a. Our duty to be present in the world: Image
5. Forum 4b. Our duty to be present in the world: Subud Centers
6. Forum 4c. Our duty to be present in the world:
7. Forum 5a. Developing financial frameworks and strategies: Key Points
8. Forum 5b. Finance Forum Summary
9. Framework for Care Support Introduction
10. Framework for Care Support

11. Guide to proposed changes to SDIA articles and bylaws
12. Changes to the SDIA articles and bylaws
13. Minutes of the 11th Subud World Congress

III. APPENDICES

1. WSA Chairpersons' report and proposals
2. ISC Report
3. WSA Treasurers' Report
4. WSA secretary's Report re Congress 2001.
5. Zone 1 Report
6. Zone 4 Report
7. Zone 5/6 report
8. Zone 7 report
9. Zone 9 report
10. Area 1 International Helpers' Report
11. Area 2 International Helpers' Report.
12. Area 3 International Helpers' Report
13. WSA audited accounts for 2004
14. SICA report
15. SYAI report
16. SDIA report
17. MSF Report 2001 - 2005
18. ISC Accountant's report
19. Subud Archives International general report 2001-5
20. Subud Archives International report (Australia)
21. History of Subud report for congress
22. SPI Activity Report
23. International Relations Committee report to WSC and SDIA
24. ISC-Internet coordinator's report
25. Informe de Publicaciones en español
26. Subud International Almoners' report 2001-4
27. Subud Britain report
28. WSC 2004 proposals to Congress
29. Subud France proposals to Congress
30. Subud Greece proposals to Congress
31. Subud Germany proposals to Congress
32. Subud Portugal proposals to Congress
33. Zone 3 proposals to Congress

IV. LIST OF DELEGATES

CC= committee councilor

KC= kejiwaan councilor

ZONE 1/2

1. AUSTRALIA

Hadrian Fraval	Chairperson
Sebastian Nicholas	CC
Hussein Briedis	KC
Halimah Fraval	KC

2. BANGLADESH

Husein Salam Molla	KC
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3. INDIA

Joe Rosario	Chairperson
Lajpat Rao	CC

4. INDONESIA

Pak M. Kuswanda	CC
Sugandi P.	Nat. Helper (representing KCs)

5. IRAN

Zohreh Mehdinejad Khosravi	CC
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6. JAPAN

Eiro Fuse	Chairperson
Ichiro Nakamura	CC
Halimah Hachisu	KC
Mashito Izumo	KC

7. MALAYSIA

Priya Sharma	Secretary
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8. NEW ZEALAND

Ramzi Addison	Chairperson
Renata Peek	CC
Lydia Edwards	KC
Lambert Anderson	KC

9. PAKISTAN

Sohail Kiani	Chairperson
Siddiq Begum	KC

10. SRI LANKA

V. Sinnadori	Deputy Chairperson
Mohammed Ismail Lhareef	Nat Sec.

11. THAILAND

Rosalieu Meepaibul	Chairperson
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Istafiah Vogel KC

12. VIETNAM

Sieu Linh Tran Thi Thong Chairperson

Le Hung Minh CC

Hoan Huong Dang Van Tong KC

Halimah Thuy KC

ZONE 3

13. BELGIUM

Faisal Sillem KC

Luzita Sillem KC

14. BRITAIN

Stephen Gonzalves Chairperson

Mairi Store CC

Reynold Stewart KC

Ida Stewart KC

15. FRANCE

Pierre Espinasse Chairperson

Maya Bernadez CC

Arnauld Delune KC

Liliane Tavakilian KC

16. IRELAND

Michael Stones Chairperson

Matthew Weiss KC

Halimah Heaslip KC

17. ITALY

Saroni Bassi KC

Luiyah Bassi KC

18. NETHERLANDS

Margo van Maris Chairperson

Leendert Muijzenberg CC

Ramon Van Dier Hout KC

Erica Visman KC

19. PORTUGAL

Mughtar Martins Chairperson

Sachlan Cruz KC

Elizabeth Bawmmiel KC

20. SPAIN

Victor Carbayo	Chairperson
Annabella Ashby	CC
Hernando Cacho	KC
Lucia Jover	KC

ZONE 4

21. AUSTRIA

Beata Loitsch	Chairperson
Charissa Kimbacher	CC
Farah Czwiertnia	KC
Stefan Heynoch	KC

22. GERMANY

Margarete Honig	Chairperson
Valentin Willecke	CC
Leonard Philipps	KC
Valentine Goebel	KC

23. GREECE

Irwan Easty	Chairperson
Robiyan Easty	KC
Harina Easty	KC (acting)

24. HUNGARY

Elina Ungvary	Chairperson
Elmira Mezei	KC
Szilvia Harday	Nat Helper

25. ISRAEL

Udi Iyon	Chairperson
Mariana Kissing	KC

26. LITHUANIA

Jelena Jashina
Julija Sneshko
Izabel Ernandes
Oleg-Vladislav Slauta

27. MOLDAVA

Irina Oboroceanu	Chairperson
Elena Oboroceanu	CC
Tamara Peiu	KC
Vladimir Vlasenko	KC

28. NORWAY

Hustein Lorentzen	Chairperson
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Mariamah Crona CC
Lavasir Nordrum KC
Stephanie Nordrum KC

29. RUSSIA

Fyodor Zhdanov Chairperson
Francoise Ivanov KC
Kostya Fedoseev KC

30. SWITZERLAND

Heleana Syfrig Chairperson
Elisa Leuthold CC

ZONE 5/6

31. ALGERIA

Hadj Smail Mousseidaid

32. ANGOLA

Mendes Lemba Mente

33. Dem.Rep. CONGO

Charlotte Ndonga

34. NIGERIA

Labinjo Otusanya KC
Yemi Ojo
Olufunke Adesanya KC

35. SOUTH AFRICA

Boris Guderjahn Chairperson
Michael Muller KC
Halimah Guderjahn KC

ZONE 7

36. CANADA

Matthew Baerveldt Chairperson
Latifah Brett CC
Atisah Moreau KC
Paul Roberge KC

37. CUBA

Latifah Gomez Hernandez Chairperson
Samuel Perez Morillas KC
Magdalena Salvadora Gandarilla KC

38. MEXICO

Stella Jassan Deputy Chairperson
Maemunah Torres KC

39. USA
Amrit Bhuie Chairperson
Susannah Rosenthal Vice Chairperson
Mashud McGee KC
Sylvia Margolin KC

ZONE 8

40. COLOMBIA
Martin Fisco Chairperson
Afandi Cornefo KC

41. COSTA RICA
Conrad Rodriguez Delegate

42. ECUADOR
Maria del Carmen Travieso Chairperson
Dara Cisneros KC

43. SURINAM
Matthew Cusrato KC
Hillary Marica Delegate

44. VENEZUELA
Irma Baron Chairperson
Eliecer Cianci KC
Silvia de Diez KC

ZONE 9

45. ARGENTINA
Elisa Sanchez Caballero Chairperson
Ana Ortigala KC
Bernard Salas KC

46. BRAZIL
Sam Rosenbaum Chairperson

47. CHILE
Nabilah Castillo Chairperson
Laksar Arratia KC
Linda Kaeser KC

48. PERU
Elias Florez KC