# Hong Kong Billiard Sports Control Council Co., Ltd.

## **Sports Development Policies and Facilities in Hong Kong**

### **Policy for Future Development**

- 1. To increase participation, efforts should be made to inculcate the positive value in schools and in the community.
- 2. Gov't could help to develop a strong sense of pride in our athletes, their achievement should receive more recognition.
- 3. Members of the national squad should grant paid leaves when they take part in intensive training and competitions.
- 4. A long-term sports policy is badly needed.
- 5. Elite programme should not reconfined to focus sports only.
- 6. To permit youth players under the age of 16 years to enter those participating snooker clubs after 8:00pm for and during the championship period.

#### **Funding**

- 1. The current funding system discourages NSA for organizing more activities and minor sports are being discriminated.
- 2. Most resources are enjoyed by focus sports, while development sports do not have enough resources.
- 3. Funding should also increase to cover NSA's expenses on MPF for part-time and temporary employment of coaches and other supporting staff.

#### **Venue / Facilities**

- 1. A permanent designated venue with proper ancillary facilities is needed for national squad training, local and regional/international event.
- 2. It is proposed that at least one venue should be set up in a central convenient location in the following regions: HK Island, KLN and N.T. so as to serve 2 purposes: general public participation and for training and development of the sport.
- 3. Government should recognize NSAs as non-profit making sports promotion bodies, use of LCSD venues for competitions and training should enjoy preferential bookings, waiver of venue charges and other surcharges.

## **Sports Administrative Structure**

- 1. SF&OC should be respected as the supreme sports authority in Hong Kong.
- 2. The expertise of NSAs and the SF&OC should be fully utilized to lead the development of sports in Hong Kong.
- 3. There should be a system that facilitates easier communication between NSAs, SDB and the government.