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La Boissière, 10th June 2014

MEMORANDUM

To: Members of the General Committee of the F.C.I.

Subject: Explanations about the document "Draft Guidelines FCI Regulations for the Working Certificate for Sled Dogs and the Delivery of CACT;

Dear Madam, Dear Sir,
Dear Members of the General Committee,

The F.C.I. commission for Sledge Dogs held its seventh meeting in Bratislava (SK) on 17th and 18th of May 2014.

During this meeting, as you may see from the minutes, the commission went through the document mentioned above and finally, after long discussions, adopted it unanimously. Despite the word "regulations", in fact the commission wished to propose to all F.C.I. National Organizations, and particularly to all those who have not yet any tests for sled dogs, some recommendations on how they may start organizing such tests, according to what is done in several other countries actually.

It has been made very clear (see minutes para. 3.) that there will not be any F.C.I. test or rules coming on top of the already existing tests and national champions titles in those countries where these tests and national champions titles already exist.

The document must be seen as a set of **recommendations** on how countries who wish to start implementing tests for the delivery of the certificate for sled dogs, that may be necessary to enter the "working class" in dog shows, as well as the delivery of CACT to enable dogs to become national working champions **may** organize these trials.

When examining the document, the General Committee may wish to change the title of the document and replace the wording "FCI Regulations" by the wording "FCI Recommendations" if this may make the document more acceptable for all countries.

The commission strongly believes that the document may be of help to all those countries who want to start this quite new activity and brings some important technical support.

Sincerely yours,



Franco Mannato