**to ALL WKF national federations**

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George Yerolimpos  WKF General Secretary

Dear president,

The WKF/EKF president is acting completely illegally and put the WKF,EKF and karate in a very dangerous path. In karate we have democracy and not the dictatorship of one. I have all rights to ask questions as I have all rights to express my opinions. In the WKF/EKF EC I represent you and not my self. I deny to accept this illegal decision of the WKF/EKF President, I am elected by the last congress which honored me with the highest number of votes and I am also elected as General Secretary from the EC unanimously. Only the body elected me can replace me (article 13.8 & 12 of our statutes), in a formal EC meeting, after a detail discussion on the matter where I have the right to express my position and with a secret vote, as the issue is personal.

Until then I remain in my position as General Secretary serving the WKF in the best way, as I did the last 16 years. I renew my request for the financial report I asked to the treasurer and I reserve all my rights for any damage may be caused to my personality with actions or decisions have already been taken or will be taken.

For your information I expressed a lot of times my full disagreement of the way the campaign was going and the plan of the campaign company, I did also in written to the president last February. But because the bid was on the way I told nothing, I did my best to support the campaign as I didn't want to damage our effort. Now is different, we need to speak frankly. I am ready to take all my responsibilities but not the responsibilities of the others. For your information also I wasn't present in any of the meetings the president did with IOC in any level. I had and I have no knowledge how much and to whom we paid for the campaign. It is my duty and right to ask as it is also your right to know.

I also asked a lot of times the president and the treasurer to give me the size of what we spent in the campaign and the answers were respectively "a lot" & " I don't know, ask the president".

It is an unbelievable and unacceptable situation which I don't accept as it is against my dignity and my principles. I am sure also against yours.

I am in the unpleasant position to withdraw my confidence to the WKF/EKF President and I call him to resign immediately. He should have the dignity to do it, after 3 failures in the Olympic Games and stop damaging karate only in order to keep his position. Karate its above the personal interests. Its time for decisions and responsibility.

Best regards

George Yerolimpos

WKF General Secretary