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Further to my original Report issued on June 26, several additional applications have now been received. These are listed below. In addition, after consultation with the ICCF President, I propose changes to Tournament Rules regarding Titles achieved by "overscore".

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Applications under Rule 8.4 (c)										
CRO	900070	Leonardo Ljubičić	GM							

2. Nominations for the Senior International Master (SIM) Title

Applications under Rule 8.5 (a)

ARG	20923	Sergio Diaz	SIM
CRO	900144	Siniša Loinjak	SIM
ESP	160215	Eduardo Mirás García	SIM

Nominations for the IM Title

Applications under Rule 8.6 (d)

CRO	900144	Siniša Loinjak	IM
FIN	460827	Kimmo Muukkonen	IM
SLO	480205	Dr. Borko Bošković	IM

Proposal for Changes to Tournament Rule 8 re Overscore situations

The practice of awarding Titles through Special Application because of "Overscore" is now readily accepted by ICCF Congress. The ICCF President has pointed out to me that, during the last 10 years, he is not aware of any Title being rejected in this situation. It is therefore time to include the principle of overscore within the Rules to allow the QC to automatically award the Title just like a standard application. This will save considerable time at Congress, and save work for the Qualifications Commissioner!

I propose the following changes to Tournament Rule 8:-

a/ New Rule 8.0.3 defining "overscore".

"The principle of "overscore" (used in the following sub-sections of Rule 8) represents that fact that the player has achieved a higher score than the minimum required for that particular Title Norm and the number of players, in that particular tournament. So he/she could have played extra games, lost them, & would still qualify for a Title based on a higher number of players. For example, a player scores 8 points out of 10 games in a Category 5 tournament for an IM Norm. At Category 5, a score of 8 gives an IM Norm from 12 games. Therefore this Norm would qualify as 12 games towards the IM Title."

b/ Rule 8.4 c currently states "those players who gain at least two grandmaster results in international title tournaments with a total of at least 24 games". I propose to change this to:-

"those players who gain at least two grandmaster results in international title tournaments with a total of at least 24 games. This number of games may be reduced if the players overscores sufficiently to achieve the standard Norm requirements over 24 games."

c/ Rule 8.5 a currently states "those players who achieve at least two senior master results in international title tournaments with a total of at least 24 games; however one or more international master result over a total maximum of 14 games in an event or events which started or were approved prior to the Daytona 2000 Congress, will count towards a Senior International Master title." I propose to change this to:-

"those players who achieve at least two senior master results in international title tournaments with a total of at least 24 games. This number of games may be reduced if the players overscores sufficiently to achieve the standard Norm requirements over 24 games. However one or more international master result over a total maximum of 14 games in an event or events which started or were approved prior to the Daytona 2000 Congress, will count towards a Senior International Master title."

d/ Rule 8.6~d currently states "those players who gain two or more master results in international title tournaments with a total of at least 24 games." I propose to change this to:-

"those players who gain two or more master results in international title tournaments with a total of at least 24 games. This number of games may be reduced if the players overscores sufficiently to achieve the standard Norm requirements over 24 games."

e/ Rule 8.7 c currently states "those players who achieve two or more Ladies' Grandmaster Results in international title tournaments with a total of at least 24 games." I propose to change this to:- "those players who achieve two or more Ladies' Grandmaster Results in international title tournaments with a total of at least 24 games. This number of games may be reduced if the players overscores sufficiently to achieve the standard Norm requirements over 24 games."

f/ Rule 8.8 c currently states "those players who achieve two or more ladies' master results in international title tournaments with a total of at least 24 games." I propose to change this to:- "those players who achieve two or more ladies' master results in international title tournaments with a total of at least 24 games. This number of games may be reduced if the players overscores sufficiently to achieve the standard Norm requirements over 24 games."