A NEW CFC - FQE AGREEMENT

It is with great pleasure that i present here an offer to renew the FQE-CFC agreement. The actual agreement goes back to 2011 and i think that the time has come to produce new ideas.

Some history notes are not out of place to explain the relations between the two federations over the years. The Québec Chess Federation (FJEQ at the time) was desaffiliated by the CFC in 1979. The reason was that the FQE was not promoting the CFC membership card in Québec the way other provincial federation were doing in their province. The position of the FQE was that the services in french were inexisting at the CFC. The FQE had all the necessary tools and was consequently better positionned to render those services. A formula was proposed to take into consideration a Québec financial participation to the international program of the CFC. But that was rejeted.

In 1984, an important evolution occured. The FQE was recognised and subsadized by the leasure and sport program of the Québec Ministry of Education. This permit the FQE to obtain a stable financial annual contribution from the government for its mission. The conditions imposed by the program imply that the FQE put in place all the necessary services an official chess federation would give to its members. From that point, it was not really possible for the FQE to go back to any reaffiliation negociations with the CFC other than the discussions surounding the international CFC program.

But the times goes by during which the Québec players could participate to international chess under the fact that they were also individual CFC members for those who paid there CFC membership. It bring us to the 2011 agreement.

The present proposition is not an adminstrative agreement. It's more than that. It's a national vision for the development of chess in Canada.

The offer follows 4 main topics :

- Tournaments
- Services
- Ratings
- Editing

FQE WOULD OBTAIN

- Access to Fide rating for Québec players
- Access to the Fide titles for Québec players
- Rights for the Québec players to participate in the CFC national events
- Two elected places on the CFC executive board for french Canada (Québec and New Brunswick)

CFC WOULD OBTAIN

- \$1 000 as an annual contribution.
- FQE would organize two tournaments a year who has problems finding an organizer, per ex.: (Women ch., Junior ch., Senior ch, and others).
- The tournaments from the Tour du Québec will be entirely CFC rated instead of only the top section (see the annex 1).
- A space at the FQE office with an internet communication accessible once a week.
- Space in the FQE warehouse for CFC material (trophies, magazines and others)
- A proposition to organize the CYCC 2021 in Victoriaville, Quebec (see annex no 2).
- Another proposition to organize the CYCC in Montreal in 2024.
- The possibility to be discussed to edit the CFC webzine for 65% of the amount paid actually.

ANNEXE 1

TOUR DU QUÉBEC 2019-20

Championnat ouvert de Montréal - Montreal Open Average participation : 200 players - rating fees for CFC : \$600

Championnat ouvert de Varennes - Varennes Open (will become Canadian Int. Open) Average participation : 215 players - rating fees for CFC : \$645

Championnat ouvert de Contrecoeur - Contrecœur Open Average participation : 80 players - rating fees for CFC : \$240

Championnat de Brome-Missisquoi Average participation : 100 players - rating fees for CFC : \$300

Tournoi du Père-Noël - Santa Claus Open Average participation : 130 players - rating fees for CFC : \$390

Tournoi du Carnaval Average participation : 135 players - rating fees for CFC : \$405

Championnat ouvertde la Mauricie - Mauricie Open Average participation : 240 players - rating fees for CFC : \$720

Championnat ouvertde Laval - Laval Open Average participation : 151 players - rating fees for CFC : \$453

Championnat ouvert du Québec - Quebec Open Average participation : 250 players - rating fees for CFC : \$750

Total : \$ 4503

At the moment, those tournaments are only rated in the open section with the exception of the Quebec Open. There is two new tournaments coming in the Tour du Québec in the year 2020-21. The organizers will be asked to participate to the effort by accepting that their tournament be entirely CFC rated.

ANNEXE 2



Victoriaville, January 31, 2019

Mr Richard Bérubé, Executive Director Fédération québécoise des échecs 4545, avenue Pierre-de-Coubertin Case postale 1000, succursale M Montréal (Québec) H1V 3R2

Subject: Our support for the nomination of Victoriaville as host for the Chess Championships that will take place in 2021.

Dear Sir,

As Mayor of the city of Victoriaville and on behalf of the City Council, I am delighted to inform you of our full support regarding the nomination of Victoriaville for the "Championnat jeunesse CYCC and Championnat canadien de la Fédération québécoise des échecs" that will take place in 2021.

Victoriaville is located in the heart of the beautiful region of Centre-du-Québec and is known as a dynamic and friendly town. At the origin of sustainable development in Quebec and proud of this renown, Victoriaville is also a fast-growing environment, known for the dynamism of its residents and business people.

In choosing Victoriaville as the host for your event, you will benefit from its advantageous location, the required facilities, and onsite expertise. Furthermore, with "Destination Victoriaville" funding a financial support could be possible for your event.

Victoriaville will also be celebrating its 160th anniversary in 2021, what a great moment to welcome you!

Yours sincerely,

The Mayor.

André Bellavance

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