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Circular N° 24/2013

To: International Commissioners

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Follow up to Circular N° 23/2013 – New Structure for the World Scout Bureau

Dear Brother and Sister Scouts,

I refer to Circular N° 23/2013 that was sent out on Friday 27 September. As a result of some questions that have been raised in relation to the process for the postal vote by NSOs, I would like to clarify the following:

- The postal vote will be in accordance with Article XI of the Constitution, with a simple majority being taken as endorsement (Article XI.1) and any Member Organizations who are in arrears with their annual registration fees forfeiting their right to vote (Article XI.5).
- In line with Article XI of the Constitution, the last part of the last sentence in Circular N° 23/2013 that reads "...if no response is received from your NSO by that date, the WSC will conclude that your NSO is not opposed" is incorrect and should be disregarded.
- It is recognised that some Member Organizations may wish to split their vote and we have therefore prepared a new postal ballot form (as attached) that allows for the six (6) votes of each Member Organization to be split, with some allocated in favour and some against endorsement.
- Whilst the specific endorsement that the WSC is seeking from NSOs is concerned with the location of the offices of the WSB, this should be viewed in the wider context of the need "...to modernise the structure of the World Scout Bureau" as described in Circular N° 34/2012, Circular N° 19/2013 and Circular N° 23/2013.
- As ballot forms are received from Member Organizations, they will be acknowledged.

I remind you that the deadline for completed postal ballot forms to be returned to the WSB is **17:00hrs** (Central European Time) on **Friday 25 October 2013**.

As you will have read in Circular N° 23/2013, the Secretary General made a due diligence visit to Malaysia and he reported to the WSC on this visit during its meeting in Buenos Aires. If anyone would like further information in relation to this due diligence visit, please contact Scott Teare directly.

Yours in Scouting,

Simon Rhee
Chairperson, World Scout Committee

for and on behalf of the Steering Committee of the World Scout Committee:

- Wahid Labidi, Vice-Chairperson, World Scout Committee
- John May, Vice-Chairperson, World Scout Committee
- Scott Teare, Secretary General, WOSM

WORLD SCOUT COMMITTEE

NEW STRUCTURE FOR THE WORLD SCOUT BUREAU

REVISED POSTAL BALLOT FORM

Only the recognized National Scout Organization in each member country may vote.

Name of Member Organization (National Scout Organization):

Country: _____

Please indicate the number of votes you wish to give to endorse / not endorse the World Scout Committee's decision concerning the new structure of the World Scout Bureau as described in Circular No. 23/2013:

We **endorse** the decision with votes

We **do not endorse** the decision with votes

THE TOTAL NUMBER OF VOTES MUST NOT EXCEED SIX (6)

Name (please use capital letters): _____

Position in Member Organization: _____

Date: _____ Signature: _____

Please submit to arrive at the World Scout Bureau by **17:00hrs Central European Time** on **Friday 25 October 2013**.

Ballot papers may be sent by e-mail to: ajones@scout.org

or sent by postal mail to:

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Additional comments may be added below or attached.
