# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE OF THE IATJ – September 8, 2016 8:00 am (Ottawa time) BY TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL

In attendance:

Chief Justice Eugene P. Rossiter, Tax Court of Canada;

Judge Friederike Grube, Richterin am Bundesfinanzhof, Germany;

Judge Willem F.G.Wijnen, Court of Appeal of 's-Hertogenbosch, The Netherlands;

M. Philippe Martin, Conseil d'État, France

Regrets:

Judge Michael Beusch, Federal Administrative Court, Switzerland.

## 1. 7<sup>th</sup> Assembly in Madrid:

It was confirmed that logistics are all in place for the 7<sup>th</sup> Assembly to be held in Madrid and that the program has been finalized and circulated accordingly. The President confirmed that there were 58 registrants from 23 countries broken down into twelve from Europe; two from North America; three from South America; four from Pacific Rim countries; one from Asia and one from Africa.

# 2. 8<sup>th</sup> Assembly:

There was a discussion with respect to the location for the 8<sup>th</sup> Assembly. The discussion really surrounded the concerns with respect to the number of attendees for the conference and the fear that the number of attendees could drop significantly because of the distance to travel to Sao Paolo, Brazil and the limited budgets of most countries and the limited budgets of most courts. It was agreed that the alternative location for the 8<sup>th</sup> Assembly would be Helsinki, Finland and we would proceed with a recommendation on this basis to the Board of Directors.

### 3. Future IATJ Assemblies:

It was noted that IFA was scheduled for 2017 in Rio, 2018 in Seoul, Korea, 2019 in London, England and 2020 in Cancun, Mexico. It was agreed that we should present a resolution to the IATJ 7<sup>th</sup> Assembly to the effect that we would attempt to hold the IATJ Assemblies three times out of a ten year span outside of the

European theatre. With this in mind, it was acknowledged that in 2018 there was a suggestion that the Assembly would be held in Canada and in 2020 it would be held in Mexico. These are to be discussed and confirmed by the Board of Directors.

#### 4. Board of Directors:

There was also discussion with respect to the monies to be received from the IBFD of 10,000 Euros annually and that this would be of assistance to the operations of IATJ in a very large way.

In terms of additional Board Members, there is one position for which a recommendation has not been made with respect to a possible position for an African member. It was decided that this particular position would remain open until discussed with the full Board just before the 7<sup>th</sup> Assembly.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.