

In the arbitration between:

**KARATE SOUTH AFRICA**

Claimant

and

**SOUTH AFRICA SPORTS CONFEDERATION  
AND OLYMPIC COMMITTEE**

Defendant

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**AWARD**

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Having heard counsel for the parties, by agreement the following award is made:

1. Karate South Africa ("KSA") is declared to be a full member of SASCOC, in terms of clause 8.1.1 of the SASCOC constitution with all the attendant rights and obligations as stipulated in the SASCOC constitution, including but not limited to the right to be recognised as the sole member (National Federation) representing karate in South Africa;
2. It is declared that the SASCOC constitution does not authorise the recognition of the interim status of any coordinating structure for karate pending compliance with the SASCOC constitution in regard to membership;
3. It is declared that the establishment of the "Karate Coordination Committee" and its recognition as a member alternatively a "provisional member" of SASCOC is inconsistent with the provisions of the Olympic Charter and the SASCOC constitution;

4. It is declared that the decision of SASCOC to establish the "Karate Coordination Committee" as a member of SASCOC and to recognise the "Karate Coordination Committee" as a member alternatively a "provisional member" of SASCOC is unlawful;
  
5. SASCOC is ordered to pay:
  - 5.1. KSA's costs of the arbitration on the party and party scale of the High Court, as taxed before the Taxing Master of the High Court of South Africa, Gauteng Local Division, Johannesburg or agreed, such costs to include the costs of two counsel including the costs of 23 May 2017 in respect of the arbitration hearing; and
  
  - 5.2. The costs of the arbitration shall include the Arbitrator's fees;
  
6. Each party shall bear its own costs in relation to the proceedings instituted in the Western Cape High Court under case number 16816/16.

  
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**HILTON EPSTEIN SC**

Arbitrator

23 May 2017