#### FIA NORTH EUROPEAN ZONE MINUTES 01/02

First meeting 020928, 13.00-16.45 Hilton Hotel, Upplands Väsby, Sweden Attendant Appendix 1

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### § 1 Introduction from the Chairman of the Swedish ASN

The Chairman of The Swedish Automobile Sports Federation, Håkan Junfors, welcomed all to this first meeting of the FIA North European Zone.

#### § 2 Information from FIA about the North European Zone

The member of FIA World Motor Sport Council, Lars Österlind, informed about the background of the four European Zones of FIA. FIA does not take any initiative for work in the zones. It is all up to each zone to decide how to work.

The member of FIA Rally Commission, Hans-Christoph Mehmel, informed about the intention of FIA Rally Commission about a Zone-Championship of the FIA North European Zone.

The Secretary General of The Swedish Automobile Sports Federation, Lars Edvall, informed about countries included in the FIA North European Zone. In FIA Bulletin Januari 1995 (Appendix 2) the members are published for the first time. This information is later verbally revised to include Germany and Polen, and to exclude Lithuania.

The Secretary General of The Finnish Automobile Sports Federation, Riku Bitter, pointed out that CIK has another formation of a North European Zone.

After a discussion the meeting concluded that the following countries should be included: Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Iceland, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Polen and Sweden. Commissioned Sweden to examine included countries with FIA.

#### § 3 Information about the earlier co-operation in the Nordic countries

The Secretary General of The Swedish Automobile Sports Federation, Lars Edvall, informed about the earlier co-operation in the Nordic countries.

#### § 4 Formation and Founding of an organisation for the North European Zone

After a long discussion the meeting made following decision:

- To form and found a FIA North European Zone. When appropriate the abbreviation NEZ should be used.
- To commission The Swedish Automobile Sports Federation to administrate the initial work in founding the zone.

 To create an interim board, that shall propose rules and organisation for FIA North European Zone. The interim board consists of: Sweden, Håkan Junfors, chairman Norway, Arild Antonsen Latvia, Martins Kalvins Finland, Riku Bitter Denmark, TBA Germany, TBA Sweden, Lars Edvall, secretary The interim board shall form the objectives for work within the Zone. Proposals and suggestions from the ASN:s for objectives shall be sent to <u>lars.edvall@sbf.se</u> at the latest 27 Oktober 2002.

- To create an interim rallygroup consisting of: Germany, Hans-Christoph Mehmel, chairman Latvia, Janis Krastins Sweden, Jan Sandström
- To create an interim rallycrossgroup consisting of: Latvia, Juris Bogdanovics, chairman Sweden, Mats Nordström Norway, TBA

### § 5 Drivers license within EU

FIA has decided to change the International Sporting Code for the drivers licenses within EU. The consequences of the changes were discussed. The assembled ASN: s of the FIA North European Zone found that this decision dramatically would limit the exchange of competitors among countries. It was suggested that FIA should postpone the decision for one year and in the mean-time investigate how to proceed. The meeting also discussed that border agreements could be used to solve the situation.

### § 6 Rally, Scandinavian Winter Cup

The meeting discussed a proposal to create a Scandinavian Winter Cup. A proposal is given to FIA Rally Commission. Mr Mehmel informed that Rally Commission had suggested to WMSC to create a Scandinavian Winter Cup.

### § 7 Seminar for Stewards in rally

Eight years ago there was held a seminar in Copenhagen for observers and stewards. Mr Mehmel asked if there is any interest for a new seminar. The meeting gave their full support for a new seminar. Preliminary place and date for the seminary is Rovaniemi (Arctic Rally) January 2003. Mr Bitter will confirm the place and date to Mr Mehmel. After that Mr Mehmel will send an invitation to all ASN: s. The seminar will be held in English.

#### § 8 Rally on gravel

Mr Jan Sandström asked if there is an interest for a rally-cup on gravel. The answer was that there is a great interest from almost all countries. Decided to commission the working group for rally to investigate and suggest a rally-cup on gravel within the FIA North European Zone.

#### § 9 Finishing

Mr Juris Bogdanovics thanked the Swedish Automobile Sports Federation for their initiative to this meeting, which is of a great value. He also welcomed all to the next meeting in Riga. The next meeting for the FIA North European Zone will be held the 10<sup>th</sup> of May 2003 in Riga, Latvia. Mr Håkan Junfors thanked all for showing great interest and for all constructive discussions.

Minutes

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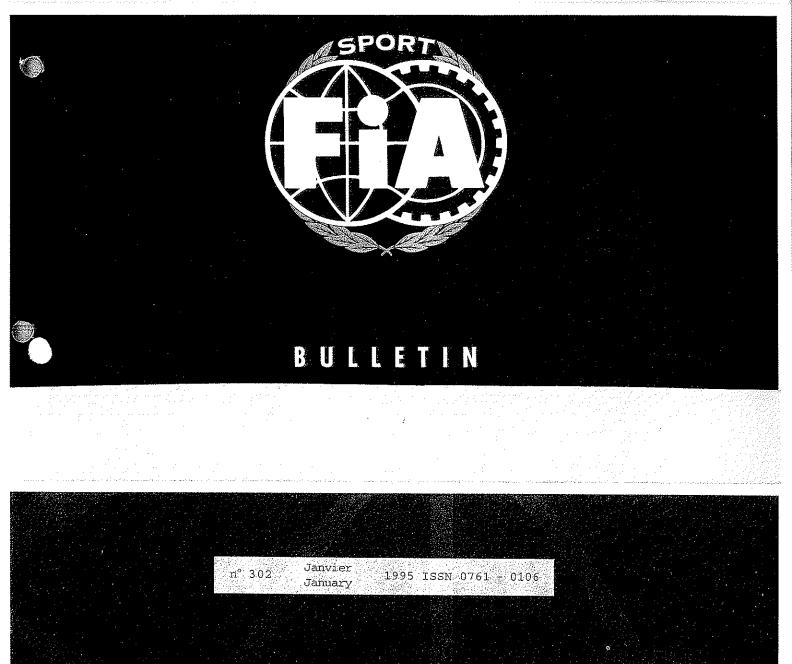
Lars Edvall, Secretary.

Håkan Junfors, Chairman

# Appendix 1

**Participants** North European Zone Meeting 28 September 2002

Country		
Germany	Hans-Christoph Mehmel	FIA repr for Nothern Europé
Denmark	Anni Andersen	Member of the board
Estonia	Priit Pallo	Secretary General
Finland	Riku Bitter	Secretary General
Iceland	Olafur Gudmundsson	
	Gardar Gunnarsson	President
Latvia	Dainars Dambergs	President
	Martins Kalnins	Secretary General
	Janis Krastins	
	Juris Bogdanovics	
Norway	Finn R Jacobsen	President
	Arild Antonsen	Secretary General
	Roar Forgaard	NBF Court of Appeal
Sweden	Håkan Junfors	President
	Sören Johansson	Vice President
	Mats Nordström	Member of the board
	Lars Österlind	FIA, World Council
	Jan Jättne	Managing Director
	Lars Edvall	Secretary General
	Jan Sandström	Rallycoordinator



# CREATION OF A NORTH EUROPEAN ZONE

The World Council, meeting on 9 december 1994, decided to create a North European Zone composed of the following countries :

Sweden, Norway, Finland, Iceland, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania and Denmark.

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# NORDIC AUTOMOBILE SPORTS FEDERATION NORDIC COUNCIL

**Countries** 

Denmark Finland Iceland Norway Sweden

# History

Over 50 years Nordic Automobile Sports Meeting Events/Nordic Championship

# **Nordic Championship**

(Karting, FA, ICA, ICA jun, ICC) (Racing, FF Zetec) Auto-orientation, Sen, Jun, Country Crosskart, 250 cc, 500 cc Economy Rally Miniracing, 1:8 OR, 1:8 TR, 1:10 TR

Other autosports Dragracing Rally Rallycross Hill-climb Folkrace