



INTERNATIONAL TABLE TENNIS FEDERATION
PARA TABLE TENNIS

TECHNICAL DELEGATE
REPORT

Name of Tournament: **2011 ITTF PTT Americas Championships
Parapan American Games
Guadalajara – Mexico**

Ranking Factor: **50**

Name of Responsible **COPAG**

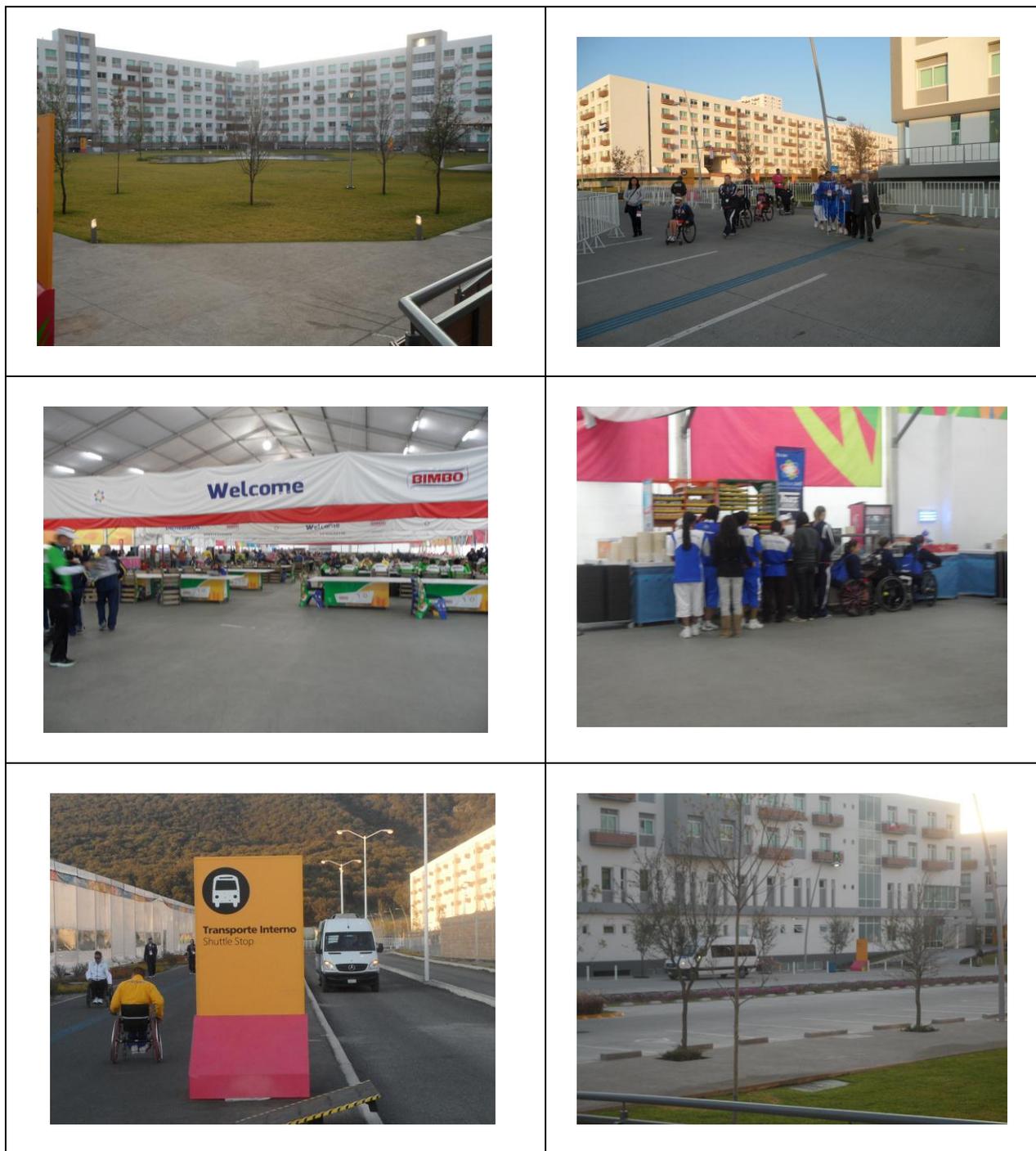
**Name of Chairman of
Sport Department :** **Mr. Raúl ARIZAGA IBARRA**
Table Tennis Manager : **Mr. Cuauhtémoc Enrique PARRA**

Technical Delegate: **Nico VERSPEELT** **BEL**
Deputy Technical Delegate **Nadia VACCARO** **ARG**

**Report submitted to IPC
and ITTF PTT :** **December, 2011**

Airport: Guadalajara International Airport – 45 minutes from the village

Accommodation: in the Parapan American Village – not any complain regarding the rooms, the restaurant, the International Zone, the transport desk .



Transport from / to airport / Hotel /Venue:

The organizer used a lot of adapted buses for people with disabilities with special ramps, they had two different buses for wheelchairs users and some for standing.

Special transport for ITOs was also available as well as cars for TD and Chief Classifier.

During practice and competition days, the transport started at 7:00 a.m., and a time schedule for transport was foreseen.

The transport was working very well with helpful volunteers on arrival at the venue.



Venue: CODE II

Playing hall:

Only one hall with concrete floor cover by teraflex , with 10 tables (5 wheelchairs + 5 standing)
 Digital score boards on two corners under the responsibility of MSL – very helpful people.
 The lighting was suitable with about 1000 lux but some corrections on the direction of the lamps were necessary above the wheelchair tables. Was done as requested!



Call Room Area:

The situation of the Call Room was good but not enough space for so many people.
 The Call Room was not very well prepared and we had to arrange as well as possible.
 The Field of Play Manager – Nadia VACCARO – did a very good job with as consequence that all was running very well. Thanks Nadia.

Training halls:

Two small halls with 5 tables in each – were used as practice but also as warm up tables.

Rest rooms: 1 for men and 1 for women with 2 or 3 accessible toilets.

Meals:

- Breakfast, lunch and dinner in the village restaurant. Lunch boxes available on request for players and coaches when no time enough to go back to the village (one hour from CODE II to the village + one hour back + time needed for lunch = 3 hours!)
- A hot lunch service was foreseen for the ITOs and NTOs in Code II.
- There was also a shop at the entrance of the venue, serving coffees, teas, drinks and some snacks.

Water: Water and Gatorade were available during practice and whole tournament—bottled in 0,5 L.

Referee table: In the playing hall.

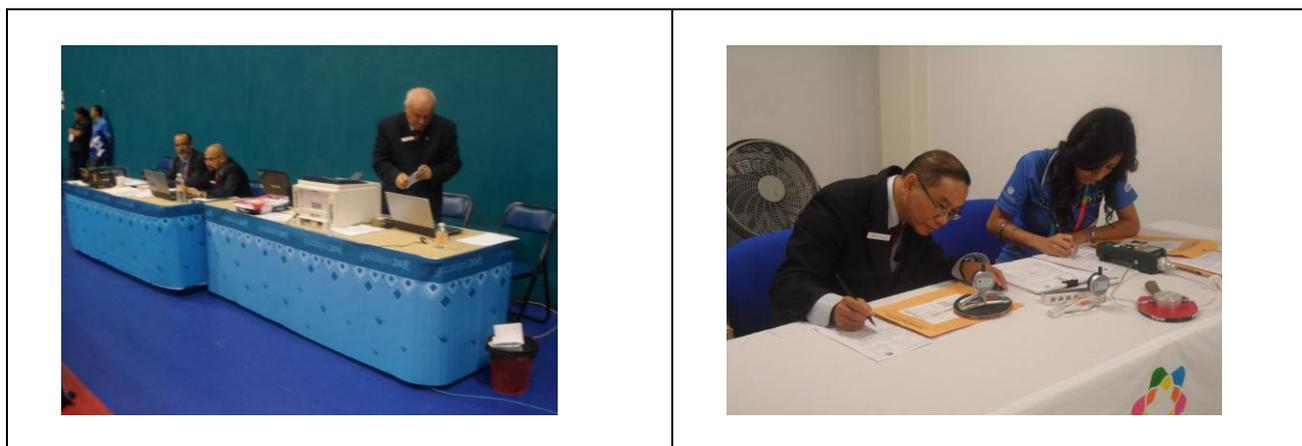
Deputy Referee: In the playing hall.

If the relations between the TDs and the referees were a little complicated during the 2 first days, a very good collaboration started the day before as well as during the competition. The Referees collaboration with the MSL people was working very well as a result that all the Umpires sheets, the draws and the results were produced by MSL !

Computer staff: In the playing hall.

Racket Controller: Very near the playing hall.

121 voluntary testings + 227 official testings were done during the Championships. From a total of 348 testings, only 7 rackets failed for thickness and 7 for VOC (all during the voluntary testing) what means 4,02 %



Mix zone : Available during the whole Championships.

Medal Ceremonies : Very well organized in collaboration between the FoP Manager and the Ceremonies people. Good coordination with the IPC regarding the Medal presenters.

PTT Awards: Organized in the same way as the medal presentations with help of the Ceremonies people.

Classification: In the practice hall.

10 new classifications, one confirmation and 4 new ID players were tested .

Medical service: Doctor Team presented all the time in the playing hall and ambulance ready in case of need.

Wheelchair service: In the village with possibility in case of needs in CODE I (about 5 minutes)

Officials' room: Offices for Referees and Umpires, TDs, OC director and media on second floor.

VIP room: At the first floor with very good view of the playing hall – was also use by the classifiers for observation.

Umpires: Changing and restroom for umpires.
16 foreign Umpires and 20 Mexican Umpires.
24 warnings were given to 24 players from 10 countries for no compliance to the rules regarding “names and country abbreviation” on the back of shirt.
During the next edition, players can be disqualified !

Equipment:

Tables: 10 Giant Dragon, wheelchairs accessible, ITTF approved in venue +
10 Giant Dragon in practice/warm up halls (same as in, venue).

Scorers: Stag, ITTF approved

Towel Boxes: Stag

Net/Post: Giant Dragon, ITTF approved

Surroundings: Provided by COPAG

Balls: Tibhar*** white

Program: Playing days November 13 - 18, 2011.

November 10-11 Draw for single events by Referees and TD

November 12 Umpires meeting at 10:00.

Team leaders meeting at 12:00.

Time schedule for single events given at the end of the meeting.

November 13 Start of Singles events.

Draw for team events by Referee and TD.

November 14-15 Second stage and Finals of Singles.

Medal presentation at 14.00 and 20.00 in venue.

November 16 Start of Teams Events.

November 17-18 Second Stage and Finals of Team Events.

Medal presentation at 15.00 in venue

Competition hours:

November 13-17 10:00 – 14:00 and 16.00 – 20.00

November 18 10.00 – 14.00

Number of Participants:

Men 88

Women 30

Leaders-coaches-staff 40

Total 158

Players from 14 countries were participating at the tournament.

American Region: ARG – BRA – CAN – CHI – COL – CRC – CUB – ECU – ESA – MEX
PER – PUR – USA – VEN

Transport: No problem and on time schedule during the competitions and from/to the airport.

Meetings: Meeting for Umpires was well organized on November 12 at 10.00 a.m.in the venue.
Meeting with the Team Leaders was organized on November 12 at 12.00 a.m. in the International Zone with presence of Ms. Tatiane Jacusiél – Guadalajara IPC Paralympic Games Sport Manager Assistant.

Results: The results system was working very well in collaboration of the referees and the MSL people – very good coordination !

Officials:

Technical Delegate:	Mr. Nico Verspeelt	BEL
Deputy Technical Delegate:	Ms. Nadia Vaccaro	ARG
Referee:	Mrs. Maria J Ferrer Ferreira	BRA
Deputy Referees:	Mr. Karol Ziduliak	CAN
	Mr. Edwin Bautista	COL
	Mr. Nilo Castillo	MEX
Classifier:	Dr. Juraj Stefak	SVK
	Mr. Erik Küllingsjo	SWE
	Mrs. Sharon Brooks	USA
	Ms. Alejandra Gabaglio	ARG
Field of Play Manager:	Ms. Nadia Vaccaro	ARG
Racket controllers:	Mr. Gregory Chan	CAN
Ball boys:	There were enough volunteers to provide ball boys and/or girls when needed.	
Doping Controllers:	Provided by IPC and the Mexican anti-doping agency.	
Jury:	Oivind Eriksen – ITTF PTT Chairman	
	Enrique Para – COPAG Table Tennis Manager	
	Tatiane Jacusiel - Guadalajara IPC Paralympic Game Sport Manager Assistant	

Evaluation

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| 1) Accommodation | Very good. |
| 2) Transport | Very good. |
| 3) Meals | Good. |
| 4) Venue | Good. |
| 5) Training hall | Acceptable. |
| 6) Tables | Good but colour to be fixed !! |
| 7) Referee | Good. |
| 8) Deputy Referees | Good. |
| 9) Classifiers | Very good |

Congratulation to COPAG, for a very well organized Championships.

The OC was flexible, friendly and the atmosphere was good.

Thanks to all, IPC, Organizers, Volunteers, Referees, Classifiers, Racket Controller, ITOs and NTOs for their help in this successful Championships.

Nadia Vaccaro
Nico Verspeelt

December 2011

And the mascots !!

