Garry Kasparov tries to unseat Russian who has ruled world chess for 18 years

theguardian.com, 16 May 2014 19.36 BST

"I believe in the cosmos. Buddha, Christ and Mohammad just came to this world to pass along teachings ... I came to this world to help people," Ilyumzhinov said when asked why he is running for reelection in an interview in the Moscow office of his Russian Financial Alliance bank. His mission, he said, is to bring peace to the world through chess. To this end, he has pledged to raise the number of chess players from an estimated 600 million to 1 billion over the next five years.

http://www.theguardian.com/world/2014/may/16/ battle-chess-worldwide-garry-kasparov

ETHICS COMMISSION JUDGEMENT

Wednesday, 21 October 2015

Upon due consideration by the Ethics Commission of the factors relevant to the sanction, including the gravity of the offence and the presence of aggravating and mitigating circumstances, the Ethics Commission imposes the following sanction:

Mr Kasparov and Mr Leong are both banned for a period of two (2) years from holding any office or position within FIDE, including its member federations, continental associations or any other affiliated international organisations, as well as participating in any FIDE meeting as delegate, proxy-holder or other representative of a FIDE member.

This ban will be effective from the period 21 October 2015 until 20 October 2017.

86th FIDE Congress in Abu Dhabi, UAE - Executive Board

Garry Kasparov tweet

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November 25, 2015



Kirsan Ilyumzhinov was designated today for materially assisting and acting for or on behalf of the Government of Syria, Central Bank of Syria, Adib Mayaleh, and Batoul Rida.

https://www.treasury.gov/press-center/ press-releases/Pages/jl0287.aspx

November 26, 2015



Kirsan Ilyumzhinov re-elected as FIDE President

Monday, 11 August 2014

FIDE President Kirsan Ilyumzhinov was reelected by a wide margin with 110 votes against Garry Kasparov's 61. In his speech after the elections, Kirsan showed gratitude to all his supporters and personally thanked his opponent Garry Kasparov for raising the image of chess in the world.



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https://www.fide.com/component/content/article/1-fide-news/8202-kirsan-ilyumzhinov-re-elected-as-fide-president.html



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