Bucharest, 31 August 2002

On this day, Alexandru Crisan, Margareta Juncu, Elisabeta Polihroniade, Sergiu Grunberg, Andrei Istratescu, Georgios Makropoulos and Morten Sand, agreed to the following

## AGREEMENT:

For several years now, the Romanian chess has suffered from severe political battles and strong personal animosities. This situation has reached a level where everybody involved, individuals and The Romanian Chess Federation (RCF) alike, are impacted in a highly negative way.

Acknowledging that this destructive path can no longer continue and in order to improve the setting for chess in Romania, we the undersigned, agree on the following:

- That all personal attacks, both privately and publicly through the media by individuals or representatives in Romanian chess shall immediately stop, and that we, from this day on, join our resources and work together to the benefit of chess on all levels in Romania.
- That all pending court cases against individuals, the RCF and the media, immediately and unconditionally are withdrawn, and that no new case be brought to courts in Romania or elsewhere in the world, based on events or facts that have occurred before signing this agreement.
- 3. That the suspensions of Elisabeta Polihroniade, Sergiu Grunberg, Raducan Gongu and Mircea Pavlov from the RCF are revoked, and that their full membership rights are immediately restored.
- 4. That all individuals signing this agreement recognize the authority of the RCF, of its elected President Alexandru Crisan, and that of its General Secretary Margareta Juncu.

The RCF on its side, recognizes its responsibility towards the top players and trainers of Romania, and will institute the necessary programs and funding to meet its obligations.

That Elisabeta Polihroniade will immediately be appointed for a period of 4 years, by the RCF, to supervise and confirm all appointments to positions as Chief Arbiter in International chess tournaments held in Romania.

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That FIDE, within 10 days after signing this agreement, will appoint an individual who, for a period of 4 years, will sign and verify all ELO reports from International tournaments held in Romania, before they be submitted to FIDE for rating calculations.

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That GM Alexandru Crisan, ELO 2588, accepts to play a minimum of 2 International chess tournaments outside of Romania before January 1, 2004. The tournaments should meet the requirements of FIDE category 13 - 15.

The above mentioned period may only be extended by FIDE for medical reasons or reasons of force majeure.

FIDE representatives, that have signed this agreement, must accept the tournaments in writing at least 20 days before their start. If the above mentioned requirements are not met in a satisfactory way, Alexandru Crisan's ELO rating will be put at 2500 in the rating list of January 2004.

IM Adrian Negulescu must obtain one more valid GM norm before he can be awarded the GM title.

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That point 7 of this agreement is dependent on the recommendation of the FIDE Presidential Board (PB) and on the final confirmation of the FIDE General Assembly (GA) to be held in Bled between November 7<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> 2002.

Once the FIDE representatives will have considered that this agreement has been respected by all the involved parties, they will recommend to the FIDE PB, FIDE Executive Board and to the FIDE GA, that all sanctions against individuals and/or to the RCF, based on events having taken place prior to September 1<sup>st</sup> 2002, including the recommendation of the 2001 FIDE Congress against GM Alexandru Crisan, be cancelled.

## 10.

That by signing this agreement we all act in good faith and with the determined intention to undertake the task of restoring Romanian chess' credibility.

The RCF will invite the representatives of FIDE to come to Romania to evaluate and to overlook the developments and achievements reached under the terms of this agreement before the first FIDE PB meeting in 2003.

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This agreement was duly signed in Bucharest, Romania, 31. August 2002.

Alexandra Crisan President, RCF

Margareta Juncu

General Secretary, RCF

Andrei Istratescu

Elisabeta Polihroniade

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GM

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Deputy President, FIDE

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