MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE OF IATJ – MARCH 30, 2017 8:30 a.m. by telephone conference call

In attendance:

Chief Justice Eugene P. Rossiter, Tax Court of Canada; M. Philippe Martin, Conseil d'État, France; Friederike Grube, Richterin am Bundesfinanzhof, Germany; Judge Willem F.G.Wijnen, Court of Appeal of 's-Hertogenbosch, The Netherlands;

Regrets:

Judge Michael Beusch, Federal Administrative Court, Switzerland

- 1. The Proposed Agenda as circulated was approved.
- 2. The minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors of February 1, 2017 were reviewed and approved.
- 3. A detailed financial report was given with respect to the budget for the year ended December 31, 2017 was reviewed by the President and was approved as circulated. The financial status as of February 28, 2017 was reviewed by the President and was approved as circulated. There was a decision to invest approximately \$50,000 in a secure instrument with the TD Trust for a period of one year. The President is to canvas TD Trust to see which secure instruments are available for such investment and take the steps appropriate to complete the investment.

4. 8th Assembly:

Program – Judge Wim Wijnen advised that the program is complete save and except the particulars with respect to the exotic topic and one more person for a panel. In terms of logistics, the President advised that all logistics appear to be in order and is waiting for an updated report from the organizing committee including particulars with respect to the closing speakers and possibly an excursion.

With respect to a possible excursion, there was a brief discussion with respect to the timing of an excursion, the pricing of it, the prospective numbers for an excursion and this will have to be looked at and reviewed, if it is going to be on the Sunday following the IATJ Assembly as the Board of Directors have a meeting scheduled for that morning.

- 5. Website: The President advised that website is being worked on at the present time but in terms of revamping, it will have to wait because of the financial restraints in our organization and having this work done during this fiscal year.
- 6. Memberships: Invoices have gone out to all past and present members of the IATJ over the past month to two months. Two courts have paid in full as well as 44 individual members. It is expected that another 32 members will pay in the near future. In terms of new members, there has recently been a new member from India, one from Malaysia and one from Brazil. The President advised that Peter Panuthos attended an international conference in Vienna with respect to pro se litigants and the IATJ's attendance was very much appreciated. It is also noted that there is the ABA South-Eastern United States Tax Section conference in June but the U.S. Tax Judges may not be able to attend so the President is going to canvass the organizers to see if they would like anyone else from the IATJ present.
- 7. Meeting with the IBFD May 5, 2017: It was noted that some IATJ members are attending the IBFD conference in Amsterdam on May 5, 2017. There is going to be an attempt to meet and greet the President and CEO of the IBFD. Wim Wijnen is trying to arrange the appropriate contacts and will pass this information along.
- 8. Rome Symposium: There is a Symposium in Rome scheduled for September 28, 2017. Judge Wim Wijnen, Judge Friederike Grube will be able to attend. Philippe Martin may not be able to attend. Attempts are going to be made to determine what invitations can also be extended by the organizers of the Rome Symposium to other members of the IATJ. The President is to report back to the Executive Committee on this particular point.
- 9. Establishment of Netherlands Bank Account: Wim Wijnen noted that he would be able to establish a bank account on behalf of the IATJ with the approval

of the IATJ where the monies can be deposited which are going to be provided by the IBFD.

There being no further business, the meeting was duly adjourned.