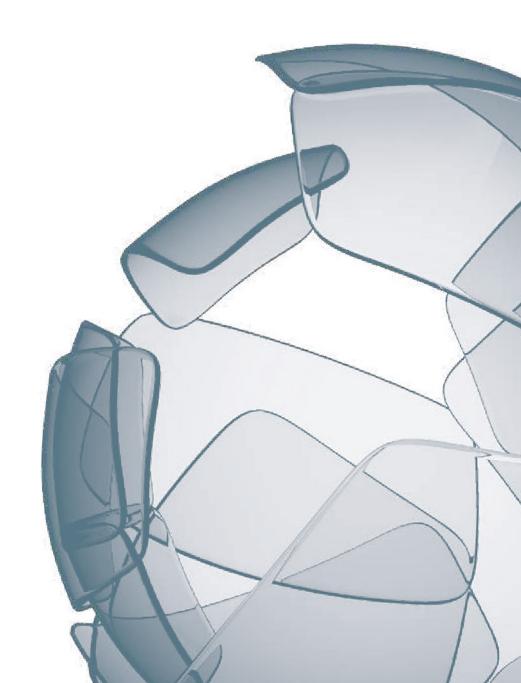


# 1970 MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING





## THE SCOTTISH FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

## MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE INTERNATIONAL FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION BOARD, HELD AT THE CALEDONIAN HOTEL, INVERNESS, ON SATURDAY, 27th JUNE, 1970.

The following constituted the Board-

THE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

THE SCOTTISH FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

THE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION OF WALES

THE IRISH FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

FEDERATION INTERNATIONALE DE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

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Mr. H. H. Cavan Mr. S. Walker Mr. W. J. Drennan, J.P. (Secretary)

Sir Stanley Rous, C.B.E. Prof. Dr. M. Andrejevic Mr. Koe Ewe Teik, P.J.K. Mr. R. Masson Dr. H. Kaser (Secretary)

Mr. H. S. Nelson, President of the Scottish Football Association, presided at the meeting, and Mr. W. P. Allan acted as Secretary.

#### 1. Chairman's Remarks.

The Chairman welcomed the Board to Scotland, and in the course of his remarks made special reference to—

- (a) Mr. R. G. Grimshaw and Mr. G. F. Fox, who were attending their first meeting of the Board,
- (b) the death of Lt. Col. C. F. Linnitt, C.C., J.P., B.Sc., a Life Vice-President of The Football Association, who had attended meetings of the Board from 1960 to 1968, and
- (c) Mr. E. M. Miller, who was congratulated on the award of M.B.E., conferred upon him by Her Majesty The Queen, in the New Year Honours List.

### 2. Minutes.

The minutes of the Annual Meeting held at St. Helier, Jersey, on 21st June, 1969, were adopted.

Business Arising—

(a) Experimental matches

There was submitted a report by Kilmarnock F.C., on matches which they had played in the United States of America, and in Canada, in the summer of 1969. No action was taken.

(b) Report by the Working Party

The Chairman intimated that, although there was no report, as such, the Working Party had met on 20th February, 1970, and their views on all of the matters which they then discussed, were

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| Law III—Number of Players  |  |
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| Present Law  | PROPOSED AMENDMENT   |
| 1  | 1  |
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| 3. One of the other players, or a named substitute (if<br>allowed) may change places with the goalkeeper,<br>provided that notice is given to the Referee before the<br>change is made.  | <ol> <li>Delete the words—</li> <li>"Provided that notice is given to the Referee before<br/>the change is made."</li> </ol>   |
| Punishment:  | Punishment:  |
| If, without the Referee being notified, a player or a<br>named substitute changes places with the goalkeeper<br>during the game, at the half-time interval, or at any<br>other interval in a game in which extra time is played,<br>and then handles the ball within the penalty area, a<br>penalty kick shall be awarded. | Delete.  |
| The proposal w   | as withdrawn.  |
| (b) PROPOSAL BY THE FOOTBA   | ALL ASSOCIATION OF WALES   |
| LAW XII-Fouls  |  |
| Present Law  | PROPOSED AMENDMENT   |
|  |  |
| A player who intentionally commits any of the following nine offences:—  | A player who intentionally commits any of the followin<br>nine offences:—  |
| (a)  | (a)  |
| (b)  | (b)  |
| (c)  | (c)  |
| (d)  | (d)  |
| (e)  | (e)  |
| (f)  | (f)  |
| (g) Holds an opponent with his hand or any part of his   | Delete and substitute:   |
| arm.   | " (g) Holds an opponent with his hand or any part of h<br>arm, or when not playing the ball, intentional<br>obstructing an opponent, i.e., running between th<br>opponent and the ball, or interposing the body so a<br>to form an obstacle to an opponent." |
| ( <i>h</i> )   | ( <i>h</i> )   |
| (i)  | (i)  |
|  |  |
| A player committing any of the five following offences:-   | A player committing any of the five following offences:-   |
| 1  | 1  |
| 2  | 2  |
| <ol> <li>When not playing the ball, intentionally obstructing an<br/>opponent, i.e., running between the opponent and the<br/>ball, or interposing the body so as to form an obstacle<br/>to an opponent.</li> </ol>   | 3. Delete.   |
| 4  | 4. Renumber as "3".  |
| 5  | 5. Renumber as "4".  |
| (a)  | (a)  |
| (b)  | (b)  |
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| The proposal w   | as withdrawn.  |
| (c) PROPOSAL BY THE FEDERATION INTER   | RNATIONALE DE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION   |
| Law XVII—C   |  |
| Present Law  | Proposed Amendment   |
| When the whole of the ball passes over the goal line,  | Delete the first sentence and substitute:  |
| excluding that portion between the goalposts, either in the<br>air or on the ground, having last been played by one of the<br>defending team, a member of the attacking team shall   | "When the whole of the ball passes over the goal lin<br>excluding that portion between the goalposts, either in th<br>air or on the ground, having last been played by one of the  |

kick the ball from within the quarter circle at the nearest corner flagpost, which must not be moved, i.e., a corner kick. A goal may be scored direct from such a kick. Players of the team opposing that of the player taking the corner kick, shall not approach within ten yards of the ball until it is in play, i.e., it has travelled the distance of its own circumference, nor shall the kicker play the ball a second time until it has been touched or played by another player.

#### Punishment:

For an infringement of this Law, an indirect free kick shall be awarded to the opposing team, to be taken from the place where the infringement occurred.

The proposal was adopted.

that position."

defending team, a member of the attacking team shall take a corner kick, i.e., the whole of the ball shall be placed within the quarter circle at the nearest corner flagpost, which must not be moved, and it shall be kicked from

## 4. Decisions of the International Board.

(a) PROPOSAL BY THE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION AND BY THE FEDERATION INTERNATIONALE DE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

LAW IV-PLAYERS' EQUIPMENT

Delete.

#### PROPOSED AMENDMENT

After the word " team " insert the words " in breach of the conditions of Law XII ".

A player who has been prevented from taking part in a game or who has been sent off because of an infringement of Law IV, and who enters or re-enters the field of play to join or re-join his team, shall be cautioned.

PRESENT DECISION NO. 6

If the Referee stops the game, etc.

The proposal was adopted.

## (b) PROPOSAL BY THE FEDERATION INTERNATIONALE DE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION Law XII—Fouls and Misconduct

#### PRESENT DECISION NO. 6

#### PROPOSED AMENDMENT

If play is stopped in order to caution a player who infringes Law XII (j) the game must be restarted by the Referee awarding an indirect free kick at the place where the infringement occurred and not at the place where the ball was at the moment of the stoppage. In this respect, the letter and spirit of Law XII do not oblige the Referee to stop the game to administer the caution, but that he can

always apply the advantage clause.

It was agreed to accept a recommendation by the Working Party that the present decision be deleted and that the following be substituted therefor:----

"6. The letter and spirit of Law XII do not oblige the referee to stop a game to administer a caution. He may, if he chooses, apply the advantage clause."

### (c) PROPOSAL BY THE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION OF WALES

LAW XII-FOULS AND MISCONDUCT

#### PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Delete.

If a player intentionally stretches his arms to obstruct an opponent and steps from one side to the other, moving his arms up and down to delay his opponent, forcing him to change course, but does not make 'bodily contact', the Referee shall caution the player for ungentlemanly conduct and award an indirect free kick. This applies also to players who attempt to prevent the goalkeeper from putting the ball into play in accordance with Law XII 5(a).

PRESENT DECISION NO. 8

Decisions 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14.

Renumber as 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13, respectively.

Add a new decision as follows:----

"14. If an attacking player intentionally stretches his arms to obstruct the opposing goalkeeper, and steps from one side to the other, moving his arms up and down to delay the goalkeeper, forcing him to change course, but does not make 'bodily contact' in an attempt to prevent the goalkeeper from putting the ball into play in accordance with Law XII 5(a), the Referee shall caution the attacking player for ungentlemanly conduct and award an indirect free kick."

#### The proposal was withdrawn.

#### 5. Other Business.

## (a) LAWS OF THE GAME-QUERIES

(i) LAW III-NUMBER OF PLAYERS

The Football Association enquired if it were desirable that a penalty kick should be awarded, if a player, or a named substitute who had changed places with the goalkeeper without the referee being notified, handled the ball within the penalty area.

It was agreed to delay consideration.

- (ii) LAW X-METHOD OF SCORING
  - The Scottish Football Association asked:---
    - 1. What action should be taken against the substitute player?
    - 2. If the Referee should award a goal?
    - 3. How the game should be restarted if the answer to (2) is " no "?

if, during an attack on goal, the substitute player of the defending team, who had neither asked, nor been given permission to join his team, and who was standing behind the goal line, entered the field, succeeded in playing the ball, but did not stop it from entering the goal.

| regarded as an outside agent, and that:— (a) He should be cautioned.  |   |
|---|---|
| <ul><li>(a) He should be cautioned.</li><li>(b) The referee should not award a goal.</li></ul>              |   |
| (c) The game should be restarted by means of a  | a dropped ball.   |
|   |   |
| (b) DECISIONS OF THE INTERNATIO   | NAL BOARD-QUERIES   |
| (i) LAW XII—FOULS AND MISCONDUCT  |   |
| The Federation Internationale de Football Association en<br>Game.   | aquired if Decision no. 10 were consistent with the Laws of the   |
| The Federation Internationale de Football Association   | were informed that the words " and shall not be replaced ",<br>Universal Guide for Referees', should be deleted, in order to<br>eminutes of the meeting of the International Football Associa-              |
| (ii) LAW XIV—PENALTY KICK   |   |
| The Federation Internationale de Football Association e<br>from Decision no. 7.                             | enquired if certain paragraphs, unspecified, could be deleted   |
| It was agreed to accept a recommendation by the Workin  | g Party, viz., that:-   |
| (a) Decision no. 8 should become Decision no. 1   |   |
| (b) Paragraphs $(g)$ and $(h)$ of Decision no. 7, show  | uld become Decisions 8 and 9, respectively, and should read:  |
| "8. If, when a match is extended to al  | low a penalty kick to be taken or retaken, and  |
| before the kick has been completed, the ball is<br>further extended to allow the penalty kick to be         |   |
|   | he Law and encroaches, play shall be extended   |
| for the penalty kick to be retaken under the pro-   | ovisions of this Law."  |
| (c) MEMORANDUM—"CO-OPERATION  | BETWEEN REFEREE AND LINESMEN"   |
|   |   |
| PROPOSALS BY THE FEDERATION INTER<br>(pages 30 and 31 of the ' Un   |   |
| PRESENT WORDING   | PROPOSED AMENDMENT  |
| b) To indicate which side is entitled to:   | Delete and substitute:—   |
| (1) the corner kick   | "(b) To indicate when the ball has crossed the goal   |
| (2) the goal kick   | line and whether a corner kick or a goal kick is to be  |
| (3) the throw in  | awarded.  |
|   | (c) To indicate which side is entitled to the throw in."  |
| c) To assist the Referee, etc.  | To become paragraph (d)   |
| The assistance referred to in (c) is:—  | Delete " $(c)$ " and substitute " $(d)$ ".  |
| (1)   | (1)   |
| (2)   | (2)   |
| (3)   | (3)   |
| (4)   | (4)   |
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| Present Wording   | Proposed Amendment  |
| The Referee will co-operate with his linesmen on the following matters and indicate to them:—               | Delete and substitute:—<br>"The Referee will operate the diagonal system of control<br>when his linesmen are neutral. When they are not neutral<br>he shall inform them which method he intends to operate. |
|   | He will co-operate with his linesmen on the following   |
|   | matters and indicate to them":  |
| (a)<br>(b)  | (a)<br>(b)  |
| (c)   | (b)<br>(c)  |
| (d)   | (d)   |
| (e)   | (e)   |
| (f)   | (/)   |
| (g)   | (g)   |
| (h) The general procedure which he proposes to adopt<br>as match official, viz.:—diagonal system of control | (h) Delete.   |
| or which other method he prefers.   |   |
| The proposals   | were adopted.   |
| (d) DIAGONAL SYSTEM OF CONTROL  |   |
| PROPOSAL BY THE FEDERATION INTERN   | NATIONALE DE ROOTRALL ASSOCIATION   |
|   |   |
| Linesman no. 2 be altered to bring it into confor   |   |
| reference to the alternative position for the Refe  |   |
| It was agreed to accept the proposal in so far as it relate   |   |

## (e) BALLS-APPROVED MATERIALS

The Board approved the materials used in the manufacture of a ball (Huracon) which consists of an outer casing of leather, lined with nylon, and for a provisional period of one year, pending reports, of one (Mitre Multiplex) of laminated material composed of rubber, and synthetic and impregnated fabrics.

#### (f) STUDS

The Board expressed concern regarding the situation in relation to the type of stud currently in use. It was noted that many do not conform to the specification laid down in the Laws of the Game, and that many are less than half an inch in diameter.

Complaints were received about the dangerous consequences resulting from the use of worn studs, particularly plastic studs, and of worn plastic soles.

It was agreed to ask all interested parties to report on any incidents which reflected adversely on any particular type of stud, and it was decided to review the position at the next meeting of the Board, in the light of any reports which might be received.

It was agreed also, that the Federation Internationale de Football Association should issue a circular letter on the subject, drawing particular attention to the fact that filing of studs is forbidden.

### (g) TRENDS IN MODERN FOOTBALL

The Board accepted a proposal by the Federation Internationale de Football Association, that the practice of drawing lots to determine which of the two teams in a drawn match in a knock-out competition should be declared the winner, be discontinued, and be replaced by the taking of penalty kicks, subject to the following conditions:—

- 1. The referee shall choose the goal at which all of the penalty kicks shall be taken.
- 2. Each team shall take five penalty kicks. The kicks shall be taken alternately.
- 3. The referee shall toss, and the team whose captain wins the toss shall take the first kick.
- 4. The team which scores the greater number of goals shall be declared the winner.
- 5. Only the players who are on the field at the end of the match, which shall mean at the end of extra time, in so far as a match in which extra time is authorised, is concerned, shall be eligible to take part in the penalty kicking.
- 6. If, after each team has taken five kicks, each has scored the same number of goals or neither has scored, the taking of penalty kicks shall continue, in the same order, until such time as each has taken the same number of kicks and one team has scored a goal more than the other.
- Each kick shall be taken by a different player, and not until all eligible players of any team, including the goalkeeper, have taken a kick, may a player of the same team take a second kick.
- 8. Any player who was on the field at the end of the match (see paragraph 5) may change places with his goalkeeper at any time during the taking of the penalty kicks.
- 9. All players, other than the two goalkeepers and the player taking the kick, shall remain within the centre circle whilst the taking of the penalty kicks is in progress. The goalkeeper who is colleague of the kicker shall take up position outside the penalty area, behind the line which runs parallel with the goal line, and at least ten yards from the penalty mark.
- Unless stated to the contrary herein, the conditions of Law XIV will apply, in the taking of these kicks.

#### (h) CONDUCT AND CONTROL OF THE GAME

The attention of the Board was directed to a memorandum issued by The Football League, in November, 1969. It was felt that, although its terms were not without merit, they were, in some respects, contrary to the Laws of the Game.

The representatives of the Federation Internationale de Football Association intimated that referees had been instructed to take the same action in relation to encroachment in the matches in the World Cup Competition, played recently in Mexico, as had been advocated by The Football League.

They undertook to draft a suitable alteration to the Laws of the Game. In the circumstances, it was decided not to take any action in relation to the memorandum issued by The Football League, other than to recommend a revision of the terms of item 7, which referred to the use of foul and abusive language.

### (i) TELEVISION

The Board deprecated the emphasis placed in television recordings and television comment which challenged the authority of the referee. It was agreed to request the television authorities to refrain from any slow motion play-back which reflected, or might reflect, adversely, on any decision of the referee.

#### 6. Meeting, 1971-Venue.

The Football Association of Wales invited the members of the Board to meet at Swansea, on 19th June, 1971.

A vote of thanks to the chairman concluded the meeting.

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THE INTERNATIONAL FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION BOARD at the Caledonian Hotel, Inverness - 27th June, 1970.

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## Signatures

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## (xvi) Proposal by the Scottish Football Association

## Law XIV-Penalty-Kick

## PRESENT DECISION No. 5

If a colleague of the player taking the penalty-kick, If a coneague of the player taking the penalty-kick, encroaches into the penalty-area or within 10 yards of the penalty-mark before the ball is in play, and the ball rebounds into play from the goal-posts, cross-bar or goalkeeper, the Referee shall stop the game and caution the player at fault. The game shall be restarted by an indirect free-kick.

## PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Delete and substitute: — 5. If a colleague of the player taking the penalty-kick encroaches into the penalty area, or within 10 yards of the penalty mark, before the ball is in play, he shall be cautioned.

If the ball rebounds into play from the goalposts, crossbar, or goalkeeper, the referee shall stop the game and caution the player at fault. The game shall be restarted by an indirect free-kick taken by a player of the opposing team, from the place where the infringement occurred.

The proposal was adopted

## (xvii) Proposal by the Scottish Football Association

### Law XIV-Penalty-Kick

PRESENT DECISION No. 6

be retaken.

#### PROPOSED AMENDMENT

If a player or players of each side encroach into Add a second paragraph, viz :the penalty-area or within 10 yards of the penalty-mark before the ball is in play, the penalty-kick must 'The players concerned shall be cautioned."

The proposal was adopted

## 4.—LAWS OF THE GAME AND UNIVERSAL GUIDE FOR REFEREES— **OUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

### (xviii) Proposal by the Scottish Football Association

## LAW IX-Ball in and out of Play

## PRESENT ANSWER TO QUESTION 2

Provided the player was on-side and, in the opinion of the Referee he gained no unfair advantage by doing so, allow the goal to stand.

## PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Delete and substitute :--"The player shall be cautioned. The game shall be restarted by an indirect free-kick, taken by a player of the opposing team, from the place where the infringement occurred.'

The proposal was adopted

## (xix) Proposal by the Scottish Football Association

Law XIV-Penalty-Kick

## PRESENT ANSWER TO QUESTION 4

#### No. The goal should be disallowed and the penaltykick re-taken.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Add the following new paragraph:— "The player shall be deemed guilty of ungentle-manly conduct and shall be cautioned."

The proposal was not adopted

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## (xx) Proposal by the Scottish Football Association

## Law XIV-Penalty-Kick

## PRESENT ANSWER TO QUESTION 5

Yes. Provided all the players are outside the penaltyarea at the time the kick is taken, with the exception of the player taking the penalty-kick and the goalkeeper, it will be in order for the player taking the penalty-kick to push the ball forward for one of his colleagues to run to it and score, provided the penalty-kick is taken in normal time. The ball must travel the distance of its circumference before it would be in order for it to be played by the second player.

## PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Delete and substitute:--

"Yes, provided-

(a) all of the players, with the exception of the player taking the penalty-kick and the opposing goalkeeper, are outside the penalty area and not within 10 yards of the penalty mark, at the time the kick is taken.

(b) the colleague to whom the ball is passed is not in an offside position when it is kicked, and

(c) the penalty-kick is taken in normal time and the requirements of the Law are satisfied."

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

The proposal was adopted

## (xxi) Proposal by the Scottish Football Association

Law XVI-Goal-Kick

## **PRESENT QUESTION 2**

Should the Referee award a penalty-kick if a player other than the goalkeeper takes a goal-kick and the ball passes out of the penalty-area into play but is blown back by a strong wind without any other player having touched it, and the back plays the ball with his hand within the penalty-area?

Delete the words "the back" and substitute "a player of the defending side other than the goalkeeper".

The proposal was adopted

## (xxii) Proposal by the Scottish Football Association

Law XVI-Goal-Kick

## PRESENT ANSWER TO QUESTION 3

No, because the ball was not in play at the time the offence was committed. The offending player must be cautioned and/or dismissed from the field of play and the goal-kick re-taken.

If the ball has passed outside the penalty-area before the game is stopped, a goal-kick should still be re-taken as the player of the attacking side has entered the penalty-area before the ball was in play. s adopted

## PROPOSED AMENDMENT

"The offending player shall be cautioned or ordered off, according to the nature of the offence, and the goal-kick re-taken."

The proposal was adopted

## 5.-PROPOSALS BY F.I.F.A.

- (a) EXPLANATION OF THE EXACT INTERPRETATION OF CHANGES TO THE LAWS OF THE GAME It was agreed that when significant changes to the Laws were made, the text of such changes should be accompanied by an explanation of the exact interpretation given by the International Board which must be followed by all Associations.
- (b) MEMORANDUM "CO-OPERATION BETWEEN REFEREE AND LINESMEN" The changes put forward for alterations to be made to the diagram and text of the above in order to make them consistent with the text and scenes illustrated in the F.I.F.A. film "Referee and Linesmen—A Team" were approved.

## 6.—OTHER BUSINESS

(a) The following request for clarification submitted by the F.A. of Wales was considered:---

'LAW 5 OF THE LAWS OF THE GAME-REFEREES

In paragraphs (c) and (d) it is stated that Referees shall report misconduct to the National or Affiliated Association concerned—

"within two days after the occurrence (Sundays not included)"

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In the F.I.F.A. Laws of the Game and Universal Guide for Referees it reads: — "within the stipulated time"

The Referees' Chart also shows "within the stipulated time", although on page 36 which shows a specimen misconduct report, the words "within two days (Sundays not included)" appear.

No amendment has been made at the International Board as far as can be ascertained.'

The Board studied the difference in phraseology between the relevant sections of the Laws of the Game as printed in the Universal Guide for Referees and the Referees' Chart. It was agreed that the phraseology in The Referees' Chart should conform to the wording in the Universal Guide for Referees, but where the British Associations had stipulated a time in which a referee should make his report that time should be incorporated as a footnote.

- (b) A request from The Football Association for reconsideration of International Board Decision 10 of Law 12 of the Laws of the Game was considered. It was agreed to amend International Board Decision 10 of Law 12 of the Laws of the Game to read "he shall be dealt with as if the offence were committed on the field of play".
- 7.—MEETING 1970 The invitation of the Scottish Football Association to hold the 1970 Meeting at Inverness over the week-end of the 27th and 28th June, 1970 was accepted.

A Vote of thanks to the chairman concluded the meeting.

## THE FOUR BRITISH ASSOCIATIONS

MINUTES OF A MEETING Held at the Grand Hotel, Jersey, on Saturday, 21st June, 1969

(Present as for the Meeting of the International Board with the exception of the Delegates of the F.I.F.A.)

- 1.—STATUS OF PLAYERS The Meeting discussed the following proposals by the Irish Football Association:—
  - (a) the deletion from Articles of Association and Rules of all references to 'amateur' and 'professional' players.
  - (b) to refer in future only to players with, for example, the following main registration classifications: --
    - 1. Full time players in receipt of wages.
    - 2. Part time players in receipt of wages.
    - 3. Players receiving no remuneration except necessary travel and hotel expenses and payment for loss of time.
    - 4. Players receiving no remuneration except necessary travel and hotel expenses.

It was agreed that the Four British Associations should give active examination to the proposals with a view to reaching conclusions at the Meeting of the Four British Associations in June 1970.

It was also agreed that the Four British Associations should decide on a common approach to the position if that were possible.

## 2.-HOME INTERNATIONAL FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

(a) BREACH OF TELEVISION AGREEMENT FOR 1968/69

The Meeting deplored the breach of the Agreement whereby an announcement had been made by an Independent Television Company that the matches would be televised live contrary to the specific clause of the Agreement which forbade such announcements. The Committee felt that the breach of the Agreement might very well have been a reason for certain low attendances.

The Independent Television Company should be left in no doubt as to the attitude of the Four British Associations, and it was agreed, therefore, that in any future Agreements a penalty clause should be inserted which would come into effect if a television Company was in any way in breach of the Agreement.

(b) TELEVISION ARRANGEMENTS FOR 1969/70

It was agreed that there should be no live television of the Home International Tournament in 1970 because of the difficulties which might arise in connection with other matches, not necessarily in The Football League, which might be played at the same time. It was further agreed, therefore, that the television Companies should be invited to tender for the right to show recordings of the matches in the Tournament.

(c) SUBSTITUTES

It was agreed to confirm the practice of having one substitute in the Home International matches to all International matches at all levels played between the four Associations but in addition to permit the substitute to be chosen from up to five named substitutes and in accordance with normal practice they would be named to the referee prior to the start of the game.

## 3.—INTERNATIONAL BOARD AGREEMENTS—Relations between National Associations concerning Clubs and Players

(a) AGREEMENT 2(f)-20TH JUNE, 1953

The Committee examined the agreements which had been reached in connection with the approaching of schoolboys and it was confirmed that the new agreements which remained after various amendments had been effected over the years were functioning satisfactorily.

(b) AGREEMENT 2(g)-17TH JUNE, 1961

The Committee considered deleting the following Agreement: --

"Players under 17 years of age born in Scotland or Northern Ireland are not eligible for registration as Apprentice Players in England or Wales unless immediately prior thereto they have resided in these countries for at least two years."

The Committee reviewed the discussions which had been held in connection with the above Agreement and it was proposed that subject to the agreement of The Football League, the following note should be recorded in the Minutes of the Meeting as a new Agreement : —

"Notwithstanding the restrictions imposed by the rules of The Football Association, and The F.A. of Wales, relating to Apprentices, it was agreed that any player who was born in Scotland or Northern Ireland and who is registered as an apprentice, either in England or Wales, shall be permitted to return to the country in which he was born in order to play for a club there, either during the currency of his registration, which shall be cancelled on his submitting the appropriate request, or on his attaining his eighteenth birthday.

Any player who does elect to play in Scotland or Northern Ireland under these circumstances, shall, if he returns to England or Wales within a period of two years of the date on which his registration as an apprentice was cancelled or of his attaining his eighteenth birthday, be regarded as belonging to the club for which he was an apprentice, and his subsequent movements shall be determined accordingly."

Following acceptance of the above, the present agreement would be deleted.

4.—OLYMPIC GAMES The Committee considered the steps to be taken to form a Joint Committee on the lines suggested at a Meeting of the Sports Council in connection with the preparation of an International team to compete in the Olympic Games.

The Meeting was in agreement with the proposal that a Joint Committee be formed for that purpose, and that the Minister with Special Responsibility for Sport should be so informed.

## **5.—OTHER BUSINESS**

(a) F.I.F.A. LEVY

The Committee considered the lengthy exchanges of correspondence there had been in connection with the payments of 1 per cent levy to the F.I.F.A. for matches played in the Henri Delaunay Cup for Seasons 1966/67 and 1967/68, which matches constituted a Qualifying Competition for the European Championship.

During the course of the discussion the Meeting was joined by Sir Stanley Rous, President of F.I.F.A., and Doctor H. Kaser, General Secretary of F.I.F.A. After the withdrawal of the two F.I.F.A. Officials the Associations decided that the Four British Associations should pay the levy to F.I.F.A. in accordance with the provisions of the Rules of the Henri Delaunay Cup without in any way prejudicing the position of the Four British Associations in relation to future matches played between the four Home Countries.

(b) PRESIDENT OF THE F.I.F.A.

The Four British Associations agreed that The Football Association should recommend that Sir Stanley Rous should be renominated as President of the F.I.F.A.

#### (c) HOME INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

The representatives of The Football Association of Wales reported that they had difficulties in securing the release of their players for matches in the Home International

Tournament. They drew attention to the fact that one of the conditions under which it had been agreed with The Football League to play the Home International Tournament at the end of the Season was that there was to be no restriction placed upon any players who were required to play for their National Associations. The meeting reiterated their belief that the playing of the Home International Tournament at the end of the Season required that all players requested to play for their National Associations should be released by their Clubs during the period of the Tournament.

(d) WALES V. REST OF THE UNITED KINGDOM

The Committee discussed the arrangements for the above match to be played on the 28th July, 1969. The Associations of England, Scotland and Northern Ireland agreed to the composition of the party and to invite Sir Alf Ramsey to act as Team Manager and Mr. Harold Shepherdson to act as Trainer of the Rest of the United Kingdom team.

## INTERNATIONAL FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION BOARD

Jersey, 21st June, 1969

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