

## RESOLUTION

FIDE Council is concerned by the recent increase in the number of applications from players requesting to participate in chess competitions under the FIDE flag.

Therefore, Council hereby resolves:

1. To observe that FIDE is a union of member federations from around the world, which implies that players represent their country of origin / citizenship.
2. To inform players that permission to play under the FIDE flag is granted only in exceptional conditions, and may be justified, for example, if there is a direct threat to the player. A personal or other conflict of a player with his / her federation, or a disagreement with federation politics are not considered to be valid reasons to satisfy applications to play under the FIDE flag.
3. To specify that applications to play under the FIDE flag will only be reviewed provided that it has been pre-approved by a person appointed by the Management Board, or any member of FIDE Council.