

Formation of the Hong Kong, China Delegation taking part in the international multi-sports Games

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The International Olympic Committee (IOC) is the supreme authority and governing body for sports development at the international level, when the Olympic Council of Asia(OCA) is the authority and governing body for sports development at the Asian level. Together with its constituents, the National Olympic Committees (NOCs), and the National Federations (NFs) under the NOCs, IOC forms a comprehensive world-wide sports management organization.

At the same time, NFs are affiliated to continental sports federations. Most of the NFs in Hong Kong are affiliated to their respective Asian Federations (AFs) and International Federations (IFs). Each of these organizations (i.e. IFs, AFs and NFs) enjoys independence and autonomy in promoting their respective sports. Meanwhile, IOC, OCA and NOCs respect the independence and autonomy of IFs, AFs and NFs in the administration of their respective sports, and they work together to promote sports and to advance Olympism and Olympic Solidarity.

In this spirit of mutual support, the Sports Federation & Olympic Committee of Hong Kong, China (SF&OC), as NOC of Hong Kong, China, has a different role from local NFs but works closely with them. While NFs are members of SF&OC, they enjoy independence and autonomy in athlete training, athlete, coach and professional accreditations, daily operations and finance, and selection of athletes to participate in international Championships / Cups / Tournaments under the jurisdiction of the respective IFs and AFs. NFs may handle the above matters independently without seeking prior permission from NOC, provided that they follow the guidelines as laid down by IFs and AFs.

On the other hand, if a NF would like to participate in the international multi-sports Games patronized by IOC, OCA or the East Asian Games Association (e.g. Olympic Games, Asian Games, East Asian Youth Games), as part of the Hong Kong, China Delegation, SF&OC as NOC of Hong Kong, China must be responsible for the constitution, organization and leadership of such Delegation.

B) Rules and regulations of IOC governing the formation of a NOC delegation taking part in international multi-sports Games

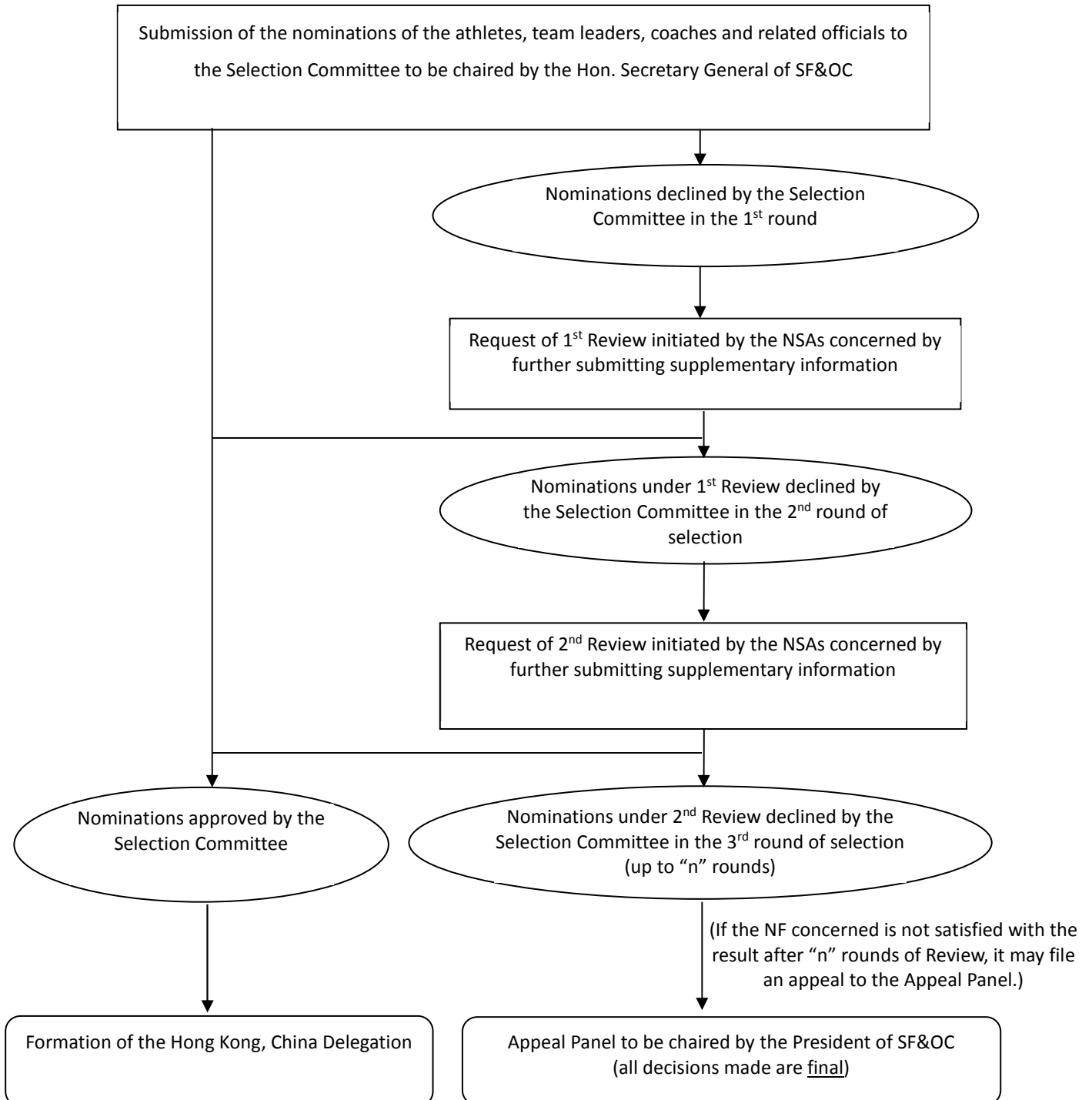
In accordance with the Olympic Charter, SF&OC as NOC of Hong Kong, China has the exclusive authority for the representation of the region in international multi-sports Games (e.g. Olympic Games, Asian Games, Winter Olympic Games, Asian Winter Games, and East Asian Youth Games).

SF&OC has set up the International Multi-Sports Games Selection Committee for each Multi-Sports Games and Appeal Panel in a 4-year appointment cycle for the formation of the Hong Kong, China Delegation taking part in the international multi-sports Games under its jurisdiction. Their compositions are as follows:



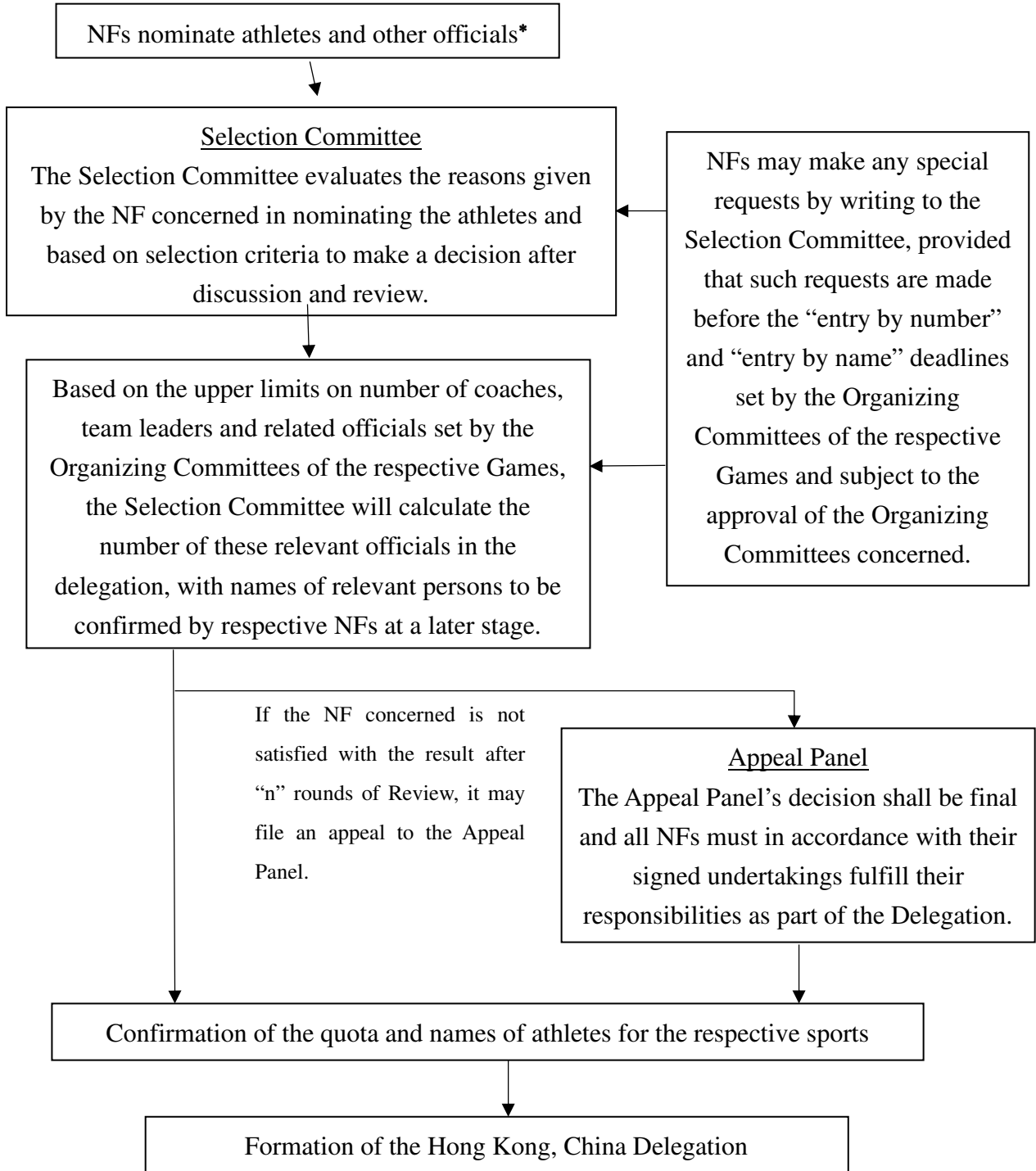
Operation of the International Multi-Sports Games Selection Committee and Appeal Panel

The following chart shows the selection and appeal mechanisms for the formation of the Hong Kong, China Delegation taking part in international Multi-sports Games:



C) Formation of the Hong Kong, China Delegation

Please refer to the following chart for the formation process of the Hong Kong, China Delegation:



*For competitions at the Olympic Games level, NFs / athletes must have reached the standards requested by IOC and have been qualified to participate in the Olympic Games.