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To: All Chess Federations of Zones 3.3 and 3.5

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:**

Accommodation Regulations for Minors at Asian Youth Chess Championship 2025

The Thailand Chess Association is honoured to host the Asian Youth Chess Championship 2025, taking place from 20 to 30 November 2025 at the Bazaar Hotel in Bangkok, Thailand. To ensure compliance with Thai law and hotel policies, we are writing to inform you of important regulations regarding the accommodation of players under the age of 18 during the event.

Under Thai law and hotel policies, the following rules apply to minors:

- **Age of Majority:** In Thailand, individuals are considered minors until they reach the age of 20.
- **Supervision Requirement:** Thai law prohibits leaving children under 18 unattended in a hotel room, as this may be considered child abandonment. A person aged 18 or older (e.g., a parent, guardian, or designated adult) must be present in the same room to supervise minors under 18 at all times.
- **Hotel Policy:** The Bazaar Hotel, in accordance with Thailand's Hotel Act of 2004 and its internal policies, requires that guests checking in be at least 18 years old. Some hotels may set a higher minimum check-in age of 20 to mitigate contractual and liability risks.

To ensure a smooth and safe experience for all participants, we kindly request that federations arrange for appropriate supervision for players under 18. This may involve assigning a responsible adult (e.g., a coach, parent, or guardian) to share accommodations with minor players. Please confirm these arrangements with the Thailand Chess Association by 15<sup>th</sup> Nov 2025 to facilitate coordination with the Bazaar Hotel.

The Thailand Chess Association will not be responsible for any issues arising from non-compliance with these regulations, including instances where minor players are not permitted to stay at the Bazaar Hotel due to lack of supervision. We strongly encourage federations to communicate these requirements to players and their families well in advance to avoid disruptions during the championship.

Sincerely,



(Mr. Sahapol Nakvanich)

President of Thailand Chess Association