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DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST KARATE-DO GOJU-KAI (KGS)

The final hearing of the disciplinary proceedings continued this morning after an adjournment from 1 Nov 2010. At the outset of the hearing, KGS counsel requested a change in the composition of the disciplinary committee (DC) members on the grounds that two members of the DC are management committee (MC) members of Singapore Karate-Do Federation (SKF).

KGS counsel put up the arguments that it's against the law of natural justice without citing any legal ground to substantiate their arguments.

SKF counsel submitted, citing legal precedents, that the ground relied upon by KGS counsel are completely without merit.

KGS only made representation of their objection on 25 Nov 2010 @1710hrs (after the agreed submission dateline -15 Nov 2010).

After hearing the arguments, the DC called for a temporary recess to deliberate on the application. Upon return from the recess, the DC dismissed the request by KGS counsel. The DC had reminded the defence counsel that notwithstanding this, the DC is prepared to hear its arguments of the case. Nevertheless, KGS counsel decided to withdraw from the proceedings and refuse to take further part in the proceedings.

The hearing continued in KGS absence and SKF counsel had completed its presentation of its case against KGS. The DC will deliberate on the matter and report their decision to the MC accordingly. The media will be updated after the DC had made their decision.

The DC is chaired by independent lawyer Wee Pan Lee and SKF committee members Huang Ee Choon and Thum Wai Tuck.

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