



Announcement

Report of the Independent Investigation Committee (IIC) following the investigation and hearing

On 27 August 2026, the Association posted an Announcement on the establishment of an Independent Investigation Committee (IIC) regarding the irregularities identified in the purported registration of a large number of new members during period from 13 August 2025 to 3 September 2025 (the “Irregularities”).

Key details of the investigation conducted by the IIC.

1. The Committee membership composition

Chairperson:

Mr. Wong Yiu Ming (Honorary Treasurer)

Appointed Members:

Mr. Chui Ka Kam (Honorary Secretary)

Mr. So Man Ho (General Committee)

Mr. Liu Keung (General Committee)

Secretary:

Mr. Koo Tat Sun (Acting Chief Operating Officer)

External Observers & Experts:

Mr. David Fenn (Partner of David Fenn & Co.), Honorary Legal Advisor of HKAA

Ms. Joanna Lau (Managing Partner of King & Co. Solicitors)

Ms. Sonia Lam, Representative from the Sports Federation & Olympic Committee of Hong Kong, China (SF&OC)

2. IIC Meetings held and attendance

The IIC had held three meetings

- 1) 1st Meeting : on 1 September 2026 (at which all Members, Secretary and External Observers & Experts attended);



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- 2) 2nd Meeting : on 4 September 2026 (at which all Members (with the exception of Mr. Chui Ka Kam), Secretary and External Observers & Experts attended); and
- 3) 3rd Meeting : on 18 September 2026 (at which all Members (with the exception of Mr. Chui Ka Kam), Secretary and External Observers & Experts attended)

3. Documents Reviewed and Examined

The following documents were retrieved, reviewed and examined by the IIC prior to the 2nd Meeting (they were also tabled at the 2nd Meeting and referred to the interviewees) :

Document Group A : Records of cash deposit of HKD\$156,880 in one lump sum on 26 September 2025 in bank account of the Association, and 106 electronically generated receipts issued on 29 August 2025.

Document Group B : Records of deposits of two separate lump sum, being HKD\$14,800 and HKD\$31,080 respectively on 29 August 2025 in bank account of the Association, and 31 electronically generated receipts issued on same date.

Document Group C : 104 applications for membership submitted online, and records of certain deposits in bank account of the Association in form of group payments.

Document Group D : 100 purported membership application forms (plain copies only) all of which bore various date in August 2025, delivered on 10 August 2026 in person at the Association's Head Office in Wan Chai by a representative of an incumbent General Committee of the Association to the Membership Manager of the Association.

Document Group E : Documents delivered on 18 August 2026 in person at Association's Head Office in Wan Chai by the said incumbent General Committee of the Association together with the same representative of his and a gentleman who held himself out as a lawyer and member of the Association comprising (1) a name list; (2) 48 pieces of papers each of which contains photocopy of a HKID; and (3) 11 purported membership renewal application forms (plain copies only).

Document Group F : Articles of Association of the Association

4. Persons interviewed at the 2nd Meeting

The following employees who were identified to be involved in the Irregularities were requested to attend the 3rd Meeting at which they were interviewed by the IIC members present and invited to explain the process, validation steps, vetting procedures, and protocols in relation to the membership applications:



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- a) Finance Manager
- b) Chief Operation Officer
- c) Membership Manger

5. Findings of IIC

In relation to the Irregularities, the IIC came to the conclusion that

- 1) The purported membership applications described in Document Groups A and B above failed to meet the requirements of the Association which governs membership admission, and hence their membership has not been established; and
- 2) As for those referred to in Document Group C, due to lack of sufficient information, the matter would be referred to the General Committee for their decision.

In relation to accountability of the senior staff, the IIC identified the following that allowed Irregularities to pass undetected:

- 1) Internal Control Deficiencies;
- 2) Systemic and Policy Breaches; and
- 3) Supervisory lapses.

6. Report of the IIC

The IIC commissioned the Secretary of the IIC to draw up a Report which would state the IIC's findings and make recommendations for the General Committees' consideration. The draft Report was tabled at the 3rd Meeting at which all Members present had engaged in in-depth deliberations.

5. Recommendations by the IIC

The IIC in the Report also made the following recommendations for the General Committee's consideration:

- 1) To as soon as practicable inform the intended applicants described in Document Groups A and B above of their non-member status, as found by of the IIC.
- 2) To follow up with those who have genuine intention to join the Association with a view to completing the membership application procedures and where appropriate arrange refund of payments in other cases.
- 3) To take appropriate disciplinary action against those staff members who are found to have committed serious managerial misconduct and serious breach and dereliction of duty.
- 4) To implement KYC, AML and Whistleblowing Policies to ensure that frontline staff have an independent and secure channel through which they may report directly to the General Committee if they discover suspected misconduct or falsification by a



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supervisor.

- 5) To introduce and diligently bring into practice Corporate Governance to the Association which is of vital importance to an organisation. The **Sports Federation & Olympic Committee of Hong Kong, China** has developed a corporate governance code covering six key areas and has provided Reference Materials for its members' reference, with a view to encouraging them to implement the code diligently.

6. Position of the General Committee

The General Committee has adopted in full the Report including the conclusions and the recommendations and shall take implementation actions expeditiously.

For and on behalf of

Hong Kong, China Automobile Association

Mr Chui Ka Kam

Honorary Secretary

Date : 22 September 2026