The Pair Go (Mixed Pairs) in World Mind Sports Games Beijing

1. The Rule
   The WMSG Go Rules, supplemented by the Pair Go Rules promulgated by Japan Pair Go Association, shall apply to all games in the WMSG Pair Go event.

2. Format
   The event will be held from Sunday 12th October through Friday 17th, the day before the Closing Ceremony.
   October 12th
   Friendly Matches and the Draw for the Elimination rounds.
   *Participants are requested to wear their national costumes, succeeding the customary in annual International Amateur Pair Go Championship

   October 13th to 15th
   Stage 1: the Elimination rounds

   October 16th and 17th
   Stage 2: the Final rounds

Stage 1 (Elimination Rounds)
   Date: Monday 13th through Wednesday 15th October
   Eligibility: Any member country/region of the International Go Federation (IGF) including 16 pairs* that World Pair Go Association (WPGA) will invite with airfare subsidy.
   *Asia: 6 - China, Chinese Taipei, Japan, Korea, Thailand, Mongolia
   Europe: 6 – Czech, France, Germany, Hungary, Russia, United Kingdom
   North America: 1 – under selection
   Central / South America: 1 – under selection
   Oceania: 1 – New Zealand
   Africa: 1 – South Africa

   Daily Schedule:
   1st match 10:00-12:00
   Lunch break
   2nd match 13:30-15:30
   3rd match 16:00-18:00

   Conditions of Contest: The participating pairs will be divided into 4 groups of 10 pairs and each pair will play against all other pairs within a group, that is 3 matches a day, total 9 matches.
   All matches are even games, 6.5 Komi, 45 minutes per pair with no additional times.
   Two top pairs from each group, total 8 pairs will proceed to the Final rounds. When the scores are tied, the first tiebreaker is the result of the
direct match. If tie still exists, it will be broken by draw.

*Registration Deadline: **20th June 2008** to IGF accompanied with full information designated by IGF (per as announced by IGF)

Stage 2 (Final Rounds)

**Date:** Thursday 16th and Friday 17th October

**Eligibility:** Total 16 pairs, 8 pairs from the Elimination Rounds and 8 professional pairs from China, Chinese Taipei, Japan and Korea (two each)

**Schedule:**
- **Round of 16**  
  Thursday 16th October  
  10:00-13:30
- **Round of 8**  
  Thursday 16th October  
  15:00-18:30
- **Semi-Final**  
  Friday 17th October  
  10:00-13:30
- **Final & Play-off**  
  Friday 17th October  
  15:00-18:30

**Conditions of Contest:** KO matches, 8 pairs from the Elimination Rounds play against 8 professional pairs at Round of 16 and so on, even games, 6.5 komi, 60 minutes per pair with additional three-30 seconds time allowance. There is a play-off for the third place.