

# INVITATION FILE



**34<sup>TH</sup> NATO CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP**  
**20 – 26 OCTOBER 2024**  
***IN RHODES***



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To: See Distribution List.  
Subject: 34<sup>th</sup> NATO Chess Championship  
Date: 12 February 2024

I have the honor to invite a mission representing the Armed Forces of your nation to participate to the 34<sup>th</sup> NATO Chess Championship which is going to take place in the island of Rhodes in Greece from 20 to 26 of October 2024.

In Appreciation

Captain (Navy) Spyridon Andriopoulos HN  
Director of the Supreme Sports Council  
of the Hellenic Armed Forces

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## 1. Distribution List

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**2. General Program of the Competition**

| <b>Date</b>                      | <b>Time</b>   | <b>Activity</b>        | <b>Place</b>                      | <b>Dress code</b> |
|----------------------------------|---------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Sunday,<br/>20 October</b>    | All Day       | Arrival of delegations | Rhodes Port/<br>Rhodes<br>Airport | Civilian          |
|                                  | 19.00 – 21.00 | Dinner                 | Hotel<br>Restaurant               | Civilian          |
|                                  | 20.00         | Preliminary meeting    | TBD                               | Civilian          |
| <b>Monday,<br/>21 October</b>    | 07.00 – 08.30 | Breakfast              | Hotel<br>Restaurant               | Civilian          |
|                                  | 10.00 – 10.30 | Opening ceremony       | TBD                               | Class A uniform   |
|                                  | 10.30         | Group photo            | TBD                               | Class A uniform   |
|                                  | 12.00 – 14.00 | Lunch                  | Hotel<br>Restaurant               | Civilian          |
|                                  | 14.00 – 18.30 | Round 1                | Tournament<br>Venue               | Class A uniform   |
|                                  | 19.00 – 21.00 | Dinner                 | Hotel<br>Restaurant               | Civilian          |
| <b>Tuesday,<br/>22 October</b>   | 07.00 – 08.00 | Breakfast              | Hotel<br>Restaurant               | Civilian          |
|                                  | 08.00 – 12.30 | Round 2                | Tournament<br>Venue               | Civilian          |
|                                  | 12.30 – 14.00 | Lunch                  | Hotel<br>Restaurant               | Civilian          |
|                                  | 14.00 – 18.30 | Round 3                | Tournament<br>Venue               | Civilian          |
|                                  | 19.00 – 21.00 | Dinner                 | Hotel<br>Restaurant               | Civilian          |
| <b>Wednesday,<br/>23 October</b> | 07.00 – 08.00 | Breakfast              | Hotel<br>Restaurant               | Civilian          |
|                                  | 08.00 – 12.30 | Round 4                | Tournament<br>Venue               | Civilian          |
|                                  | 12.30 – 13.30 | Lunch                  | Hotel<br>Restaurant               | Civilian          |
|                                  | 13.30 – 20.00 | Cultural activity      | TBD                               | Civilian          |
|                                  | 20.00 – 21.00 | Dinner                 | Hotel<br>Restaurant               | Civilian          |



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| Date                            | Time          | Activity                        | Place               | Dress code      |
|---------------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Thursday,<br/>24 October</b> | 07.00 – 08.00 | Breakfast                       | Hotel<br>Restaurant | Civilian        |
|                                 | 08.00 – 12.30 | Round 5                         | Tournament<br>Venue | Civilian        |
|                                 | 12.30 – 14.00 | Lunch                           | Hotel<br>Restaurant | Civilian        |
|                                 | 14.00 – 18.30 | Round 6                         | Tournament<br>Venue | Civilian        |
|                                 | 19.00 – 21.00 | Dinner                          | Hotel<br>Restaurant | Civilian        |
|                                 | 21.00         | IMCC Meeting                    | TBD                 | Class A uniform |
| <b>Friday,<br/>25 October</b>   | 07.00 – 08.00 | Breakfast                       | Hotel<br>Restaurant | Civilian        |
|                                 | 08.00 – 12.30 | Round 7                         | Tournament<br>Venue | Civilian        |
|                                 | 12.30 – 14.00 | Lunch                           | Hotel<br>Restaurant | Civilian        |
|                                 | 14.30 – 17.30 | Blitz tournament                | Tournament<br>Venue | Civilian        |
|                                 | 19.00 – 19.30 | Award Ceremony                  | TBD                 | Class A uniform |
|                                 | 19.45         | Gala Dinner<br>Closing Ceremony | TBD                 | Class A uniform |
| <b>Saturday,<br/>26 October</b> | 07.00 – 08.30 | Breakfast                       | Hotel<br>Restaurant | Civilian        |
|                                 | NLT 11.00     | Check out                       | Hotel               | Civilian        |
|                                 | All day       | Departure of<br>delegations     | Hotel               | Civilian        |



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**Guest's program**

| <b>Date</b>                      | <b>Time</b>   | <b>Activity</b>                 | <b>Place</b> | <b>Dress code</b>                 |
|----------------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>Tuesday,<br/>22 October</b>   | 09.30 – 12.00 | Cultural activity               | TBD          | Civilian                          |
| <b>Wednesday,<br/>23 October</b> | 13.30 – 20.00 | Cultural activity               | TBD          | Civilian                          |
| <b>Thursday,<br/>24 October</b>  | 14.00 – 18.00 | Cultural activity               | TBD          | Civilian                          |
| <b>Friday,<br/>25 October</b>    | 19.00 – 19.30 | Award ceremony                  | TBD          | Class A uniform or cocktail dress |
|                                  | 19.45         | Gala dinner<br>Closing ceremony | TBD          | Class A uniform or cocktail dress |

***Note: More detailed program will be delivered to all participants upon arrival***



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### 3. Composition of Mission

- Chief of Mission: 1
- Team Captain: 1
- Chess Players (Male or Female): up to 6

Total: up to 8

- Life Time Members: up to 4

### 4. Travel/Transportation to the Competition venue

- The cost of travel to and from Rhodes (Rhodes Port/Rhodes International Airport) will be under the responsibility of the participating countries.

- The organizer will ensure the free transportation from Rhodes Port / Rhodes Airport to the Hotel (Rodos Palace Hotel) and from the Hotel to Rhodes Port / Rhodes Airport.

- Points of arrival/departure to Rhodes:

**Rhodes Port:**

Aprox. 5km to the Hotel.

**Rhodes International Airport (Diagoras):**

Aprox. 15km to the Hotel.

\* Missions will be collected only from these points.

### 5. Accommodation – Cost – Conditions of Stay

- The Tournament as well as the accommodation will take place at the RODOS PALACE hotel (five stars). It is the only official accommodation site and no support will be provided to the participants lodged to other places. Rodos Palace is exquisitely located near Rhodes town, with easy access to all major sights and attractions of the island. It is just a breath away from the beach. Detailed information can be found on the hotel's website: <https://www.rodos-palace.gr>.

- Full board and lodging will be paid by the participants upon their arrival to the hotel for the following room rates per day: **109 euros** in a single room, **75 euros** in a double room and **64 euros** in a triple room. **The indicated prices are per person and for the dates from 20 till 26 of October .**



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- The above prices also apply to the other members of each expedition, as well as to any companion.
- Extra expenses such as telephone call fees, laundry services, additional drinks, etc. must be paid by the participants.

### **6. Electricity**

- In Greece the standard voltage is 220 V and the frequency is 50 Hz. You can use your electric appliances in Greece, if the standard voltage in your country is 220 V.

### **7. Medical Care**

- Medical emergencies (first aid) will be the responsibility of the Hellenic Armed Forces. The Hellenic Armed Forces will provide medical support for all scheduled competitions. The Hellenic Armed Forces will not be responsible for any advanced medical expenses, to include hospital stays, surgical procedures, and/or other medical care beyond first aid. All participants must travel with their own inherent medical coverage. Special medical treatment is under the responsibility of the participating nations.

### **8. Regulations of the Championship**

- The competition will be governed by the following regulations of FIDE Laws of Chess.

### **9. Custom and Visa Procedures**

- Information concerning passports, visas can be obtained from the Greek Embassy in your country.

### **10. Dressing Code**

- Military uniform Class A is required for all the participants during the opening and closing ceremonies.
- Cocktail dress/business suit for the civilian guests.

### **9. Weather Information**

- The temperature in October can range from a daily high of 30° - 36° Celsius to a daily low of 20° - 25° Celsius. The possibility of rain is low.



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### 10. Registration Forms Deadlines

- Preliminary Agreement: 30 June 2024
- Final Entry: 08 September 2024
- On the final entry form, the participating mission shall indicate a valid and operated phone/mobile phone number as well as an email address in case the organizing committee needs to contact them.

### 11. Correspondence

- All official emails concerning the competition should be sent to:  
Organizing Committee 34<sup>th</sup> NATO Chess Championship  
**Supreme Sports Council of the Hellenic Armed Forces**  
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ANNEX 1

## PRELIMINARY AGREEMENT

To be returned before **30 June 2024**:

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Email: [asaed@otenet.gr](mailto:asaed@otenet.gr)

NATION:

PARTICIPATION:

YES

NO

TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS:

|       | Officials | Players | LTM | Guests | Total |
|-------|-----------|---------|-----|--------|-------|
| Men   |           |         |     |        |       |
| Women |           |         |     |        |       |
| Total |           |         |     |        |       |

MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION:

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

RANK/NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE OF CHIEF OF DELEGATION

|              |                |  |
|--------------|----------------|--|
| Your Contact | Rank/Name      |  |
|              | Phone / Mobile |  |
|              | Fax            |  |
|              | E-Mail         |  |



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ANNEX 2a

## FINAL ENTRY

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**NATION:**

**MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION:**

|                            | PLACE                              | DATE | FLIGHT Nr<br>FERRY | TIME |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------|------|--------------------|------|
| ARRIVAL                    |                                    |      |                    |      |
| DEPARTURE                  |                                    |      |                    |      |
| YOUR<br>CONTACT<br>DETAILS | Rank/Name                          |      |                    |      |
|                            | Phone / Mobile<br>phone (Whatsapp) |      |                    |      |
|                            | Fax                                |      |                    |      |
|                            | E-Mail                             |      |                    |      |



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**ANNEX 2b**

**FINAL ENTRY - COMPOSITION OF THE MISSION**

(To be returned before 20 September 2024)

**NATION:**

| FINAL AGREEMENT  |         |            |                               |                            |                                   |                                |           |
|------------------|---------|------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------|
|                  | SURNAME | FIRST NAME | DATE OF BIRTH<br>(DD/MM/YYYY) | Passport/ID<br>Card Number | Chess<br>Player<br>(YES or<br>NO) | NATO<br>TEAM<br>(YES or<br>NO) | FIDE - ID |
| Chief of Mission |         |            |                               |                            |                                   |                                |           |
| Team Captain     |         |            |                               |                            |                                   |                                |           |
| Player 1         |         |            |                               |                            |                                   |                                |           |
| Player 2         |         |            |                               |                            |                                   |                                |           |
| Player 3         |         |            |                               |                            |                                   |                                |           |
| Player 4         |         |            |                               |                            |                                   |                                |           |
| Player 5         |         |            |                               |                            |                                   |                                |           |
| Player 6         |         |            |                               |                            |                                   |                                |           |
| LTM 1            |         |            |                               |                            |                                   |                                |           |
| LTM 2            |         |            |                               |                            |                                   |                                |           |
| LTM 3            |         |            |                               |                            |                                   |                                |           |
| LTM 4            |         |            |                               |                            |                                   |                                |           |
| GUEST            |         |            |                               | Whose Spouse or Guest?     |                                   |                                |           |
| GUEST 1          |         |            |                               |                            |                                   |                                |           |
| GUEST 2          |         |            |                               |                            |                                   |                                |           |
| GUEST 3          |         |            |                               |                            |                                   |                                |           |