



41 INTERNATIONAL

Dear Friends of 41 International,

I am very grateful to all of you and pleased to be your President for this year. My personal thanks to all our 41 friends who attended our AGM at Chennai and made it a success. For those 41 friends who could not come, I plan to travel extensively and meet more of you in person & cherish these memories for a lifetime.

My theme for the year is **“One World One Club”**.



By adopting this theme “One World One Club” I wish to promote the idea of bringing Round Tables and 41 Clubs closer in the coming years and make every retiring Tabler get the feeling that he is a **TABLER FOR LIFE** & he will continue the friendship made in Round Tabling.

ROUND TABLE & 41 CLUB

Please adapt this concept in your minds, use it in all your Nations & get closer with your Round Tables to nurture a feeling between each other that all like-minded men are adapted to each other strongly in their hearts as TABLERS FOR LIFETIME and not only continue the friendship made in tabling but also continue the service to society and a helping hand to each other at all times.

Further, to help improve our Tabling society – each one of us should take it as a moral obligation & challenge to locate prospective Tablers in the society & introduce them into Round Tables. This would improve the growth of tabling and undoubtedly the growth of our Ex-Tablers organization.

GROWTH OF 41 INTERNATIONAL

To take a further broad step as 41 National Board members and active members, I humbly request every country to please play the role of a Godfather by locating any of your neighbouring country or with whom you have had good ties from tabling days, and bring them into the fold of 41 Clubs. Help us get new member countries into 41 International. Today, Round Table exists in more than 50 countries. 41 Clubs is yet to catch up since we have only 20 countries as our official full members.

As per the current rules, we need to tap countries with 3 or more clubs so that they could have the capacity to function as a full member in our International organization.

The International has been debating to make this easier for countries having less than 3 clubs to come into our fold. Please write your suggestions as to how we could think of achieving this.

From the Round Table list of countries, we will also note countries where 41 clubs are yet to be started. Please tap your resources with such Round Tables in & around your country, gather information & forward to the International as well as give your support as Godfather.

YAP : The Young Ambassador Programme for member countries – YAPs:_Let our children get to know each other – they are our future Tablers. Reach out wherever possible; get countries that have so far not benefited from this lovely programme to participate in YAPs. For growth or participation, please visit our websites for more information on YAPs (to make my letter short!) & encourage your children between the ages of 16 to 23, browse it themselves and make their travel plans. We should help them build a good image & knowledge of different parts of the world and sow in their minds the value the tabling & follow up on friendship in 41 Clubs & make our International society of Round Tabling to get a feeling of one large family.

For those children who have travelled I request the parents to ask their children to post articles in our website with pictures for others to share their cherished experiences.

FAMEX: Welcome home! Just mail any IRO across the world, tell them your interest to travel in their country. I am sure he will find a host for you, thereon you are grown-ups! Make contacts, enjoy the stay, experience different cultures and bring our bonds of friendship closer. Many homes in India are open - welcome to the land of spicy food & hot weather

Last but not the least – should we miss the wine and cheese?

Baa Baa French-ship have you any wine
Yes Sir Yes Sir 3 bottles wine
One for the round table
One for the round tabler
And one for the tabler retiring from the game

THE “FRENCH LEAVE”

After many years of consideration and democratic moves of 41 International, our French brethren were unwilling to accept democracy and follow certain principles in adhering to the rules. However they have decided to take a break.

As all of you are aware, France has been threatening to leave our organization for many years. Now at the Chennai International AGM, they have clearly declared about their leaving us. Further to this, their National President Daniel Zanoletti has later (after the Chennai AGM) put it in writing to me that they do not wish to participate in the payment of fees to the International. Under these circumstances, France has ceased to be a member of this organization.

Please be clearly aware that the 41 International organization remains the same. The name and logo are the sole property of 41 International and all its member countries.

We as a friendship International organization must object the French from any further use of our 41 International property logo; website etc., since I would like to put on record that France has only filed an application with the Trade Marks Registry for our 41 International name & logo. Simply by filing an application, France does not become the rightful owners of our 41 name and logo & they are further trying to damage the unity of this organization.

Please do not react agitatedly to these various unfortunate acts of the French continuously in our wonderful fellowship forum. Let us leave them at peace & continue our fellowship movement as a strong Ex-Tablers organization without any change to our rules & operations and individual pattern of operations at the National Boards of various countries.

No doubt, some countries have taken in non Ex-Tablers as members earlier for some reasons. They will always remain our friends to participate in the friendship & fellowship of our organization without intervening in the administration and governance of our Ex-Tablers organization.

The governance of 41 International is best left to the elected body of ex tablers. If the objective of Non Ex-Tablers is friendship and fellowship, there are ample opportunities in 41 Clubs. The bottom line is, 20 countries are together in this fellowship movement. France has left us, hopefully temporarily,

I ask each one of you to give your love and loyalty to the tabling movement and support in retaining the exclusivity and togetherness built over several years from tabling & now into 41 clubs.

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