Results Analysis of InIMC 2017

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Ladies and Gentlemen, Dear Students & Friends,

We are about to close the chapter of another successful IMC hosted by the beautiful country of India and our great host – City Montessory School.

On behalf of the Jury I would like to congratulate you for the effort and spirit over the last 5 days and nights. I must admit that this year we selected harder problems compared to previous years. And we made some mistakes – there were couple of badly formulated problems and couple of wrong solutions published by the jury. Nevertheless, the results of the students are impressive - they found the wrong statements and even offered better solutions than us, they did a great job fighting with the tough problems!!! What is even more impressive - one of the teams almost managed to convince me that they are able to take 315 coins out of a box that has 314. So the students are becoming smarter than their teachers these days! I promise that next year the jury will take revenge ☺.

Today, we award some tropheys to the winners. However, for me in this competition everyone is a winner because mathematics is everywhere around us and all of you succeeded this week.

Many thanks of course go to our host – CMS in the name of Mr. and Mrs. Ghandi as well as Mrs. Swapna Mansharamani for the excellent organization and their support throughout the last few months. I am a person who likes mathematics and travelling (I am not sure which one I like more) and in the last 5 days I learned a lot about India and I had the chance to do mathematics with over 700 wonderful smart students from around the globe!

I would like to wish you best of luck for the upcoming year! Keep solving hard and interesting problems and I look forward to welcoming you next year in my home city of Burgas in Bulgaria for an even more exciting IMC 2018.

I will conclude using one of the messages I see in this hall – “May Peace Prevail on Earth” – I would say – “May Peace and Mathematics Prevail in the minds of all IMC participants”!!! Until next time!