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To: All CAF Member Dojo's

Re: Canadian Aikido Federation Shidojin System

During our 2008 AGM held in Victoria on June 23, 2008 and subsequent Executive meetings the final steps to implement our new Shidojin system were concluded.

The list of initial Shidojin nominees approved by our Technical Director Kawahara Shihan was finalized and ratified.

Over the next while as each Shidojin is personally confirmed we will provide the names and contact information for everyone's information.

Attached is our formal CAF policy outlining the role of a Shidojin. Included in those duties are responsibilities to provide mentorship and technical training to foster the development of Aikido within the Canadian Aikido Federation community.

They will be available for personal visits to Dojo's including conducting seminars.

Each Dojo is responsible for making their own arrangements with a Shidojin who they may want to invite to their Dojo for training or assistance.

Please direct any questions or comments to the CAF Secretary

All the best

Douglas Mathieu, Secretary

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