



## **Kazakhstan latest to confirm non-attendance at SWC 2007**



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Kazakhstan have confirmed to Sumo Fan Magazine that they will not now be in Chiang Mai later this month, making them the latest team to confirm nonattendance at the upcoming International Sumo Federation, 2007, Sumo World Championships in Thailand.

Of particular note in this announcement is the fact that

the head of sumo in Kazakhstan, Mr. Baglan Idrissov, (interviewed here by SFM in late October) is himself a vice-president of the International Sumo Federation.

According to Mr. Idrissov, like so many other nations, finances have played their part in preventing the team from travelling.