

Below is the official response from Chinese Mountaineering Association

Dear President Jan Bloudek,

Thank you for rectifying the incorrect flag. However, with regard to the latter part of your message, we must state our position clearly.

You expressed the hope that we would resolve issues through “official communication” rather than “illegal actions.” In this regard, we wish to emphasize the following:

- Any communication must be built on mutual respect. By displaying the incorrect flag, your side had already undermined the very foundation for proper communication. Any representations made on-site by the Chinese delegation were a legitimate exercise of our right to safeguard our national dignity.
- Your characterization of our legitimate act of defending our national dignity as “caused a security incident dangerous ” is a classic case of blaming the victim. The root cause of the incident lies in your side’s mistake, not in our side’s corrective action. Had your side not made the error in the first place, the so-called security concerns would have been entirely nonexistent.

We accept your apology regarding the flag error, but we reject any unwarranted accusation of our conduct.

To avoid any recurrence of such incidents in the future, we suggest that your side strengthen training on international rules and the national contexts of all participating countries prior to future events, rather than attempting to shift blame onto the injured party after making a mistake.

Sincerely,
Chinese Mountaineering Association