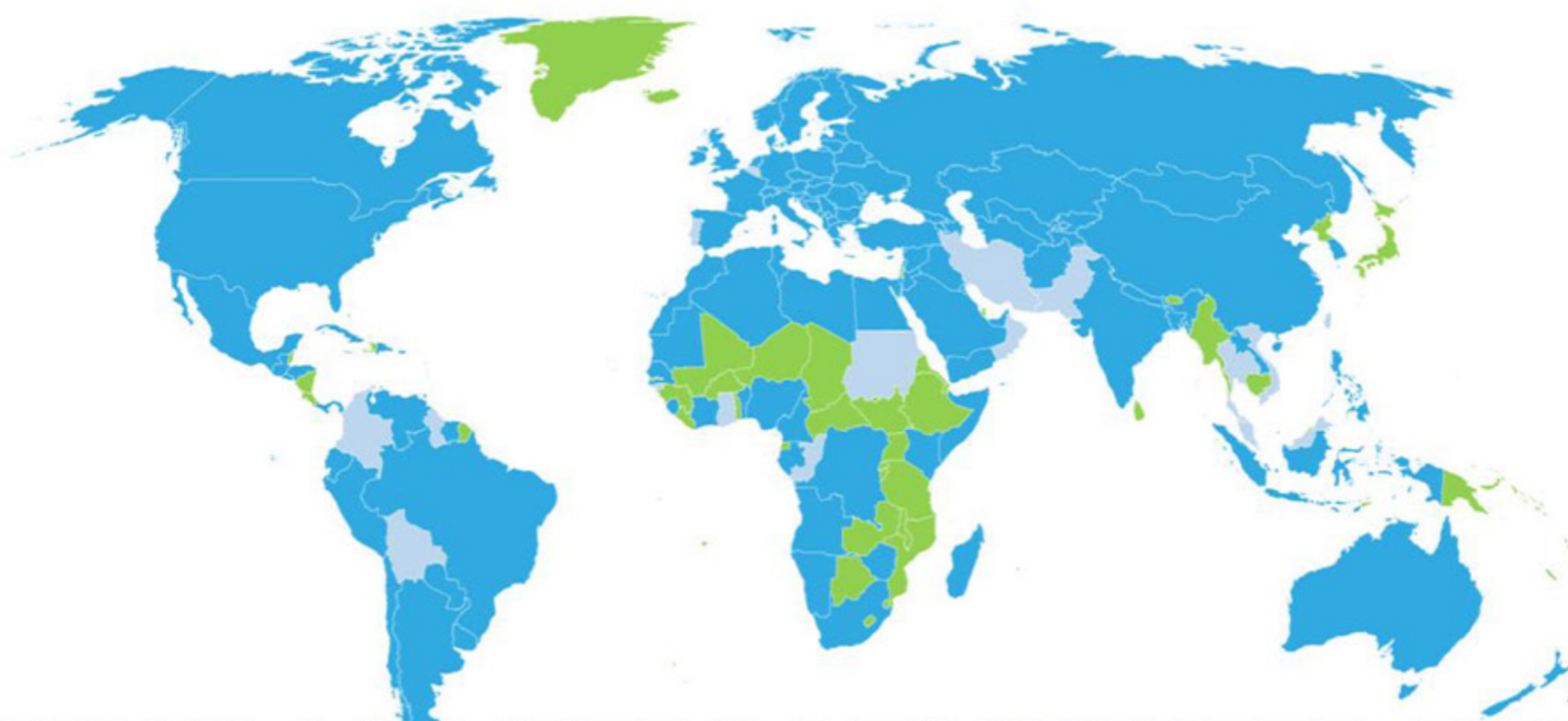


# HISTORY MADE



## **#131 WAKO MEMBERS RECOGNIZED BY THE ITS GOVERNMENTAL AND SPORTS AUTHORITIES**

WAKO has concluded successful 2022 year with new official recognitions from National Sports Authorities of the countries:

USA

GUATEMALA

GREAT BRITAIN & NORTHERN IRELAND

ANGOLA





## 2021 IMPACT REPORT

The 11th January is the date when WAKO TEAM USA have made a great step forward in recognition and acknowledgement of sport of kickboxing in USA.

They have received an active membership status in the U.S. Olympic & Paralympic Committee Affiliate Organizations Council (AOC), which classifies USA Kickboxing as a new member of the AOC, within the Recognized Sport Organizations category. Great Britain with Northern Ireland, with full recognition by the four sport council, Guatemala and Angola by their respective sport committees as well as Olympic committees gives a strong wind into our wings to fly even higher.

We are waiting for:  
CAMBODIA  
LEBANON  
MALAWI  
SUDAN  
BONAIRE  
GHANA  
SURINAME to succeed in this process.





"After decades of hard work and dedication, USA Kickboxing has been accepted as a Recognized Sport Organization (RSO) by the AOC.

Thank you to the entire team of WAKO USA for their help to make this happen and for putting countless hours of work into getting this acceptance", said Rob Zbilski, WAKO USA President.

WAKO IF President Mr. Roy Baker was delighted by the news of the latest recognition by the US Olympic council of the sport of kickboxing.

"The acceptance letter that WAKO Team USA have received from the United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee, making them the only Recognized Sport Organization for Kickboxing in the Affiliate Organizations Council of the USOPC, is a very important step which brings WAKO USA closer to full recognition.

With the other three WAKO members who were recognized in the last year, we have in WAKO now 131 countries with kickboxing organizations recognized by the National Olympic Committees and the highest sport governmental institutions. I look forward to the growth and development of kickboxing and I believe our dreams will come true", said WAKO President Roy Baker.