

Nigeria – Nigeria now has four climb certified instructors. They are ramping up to teach courses in November and December with their newly certified instructors. We have been working for years to have Nigeria teach our courses with in country instructors. This is a very positive development.

Saudi Arabia – We planned on putting on courses in Saudi Arabia next month (October), but we will not be putting on course in Saudi Arabia until 2020. Sarah Naqi is our point of contact and the one who schedules courses for this chapter. She has gone on a sabbatical so we will likely put on course in April 2020. We have been working with Sarah since our Portland meeting and have instructors available. Sarah, and the chapter, simply could not firm up dates for us.

Mexico – Mexico is in a full economic recession. Discussions with Cesar Cantu indicate that if courses are scheduled in Mexico they would fail for lack of attendance. At this time we need to let Mexico sort out its economic problems.

Australia- Australia is getting ready to put on IRWA courses with in country instructors. Before they schedule courses they need to work on collecting chapter dues and insuring membership renewals. Once they know their renewal numbers they can schedule classes for their members and as a membership renewal tool.

South Africa - We do have a new signed agreement with our South Africa Chapter. This is a positive accomplishment. We have made it clear that the IRWA wants trained in country instructors so we don't have to fly instructors in. Right now we anticipate a request for us to provide CLIMB training.