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Rome, June 13, 2016

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10 RDSU Moscow, Russia

Attention: Ms. Irina Petrova, President

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Dear Colleagues:

Thank you for your Delegates' attendance at the 2016 WDSF AGM this past weekend in Rome.

We again greet you in sporting friendship.

The decision of the 2016 WDSF AGM was clear regarding your Membership in WDSF. The AGM adopted a Motion to <u>expel</u> RDSU, except with the following conditions and provisions:

PROVIDED ALWAYS THAT the full effect of such expulsion shall be suspended until October 31, 2016, on which date the said 30 expulsion shall be fully effective without any further action by anyone UNLESS requests communicated to RDSU by the WDSF General Secretary are, in the opinion of the WDSF Presidium acting reasonably within its discretion, fully and completely fulfilled by RDSU on or before October 31, 2016, AND PROVIDED FURTHER 35 **THAT** if in the Presidium's opinion those requests are not fully and completely fulfilled by RDSU by that date, then the said expulsion will occur automatically, without any further word or act by anyone, according to the vote of the 2016 WDSF AGM on June 12, 2016 and accordingly the Membership of RDSU in WDSF will cease on that 40 day.

This Motion is not "against Russia". Out of respect for Russia, the AGM also immediately afterward passed the following Resolution to protect and embrace all Russian DanceSport athletes and adjudicators if RDSU is expelled from WDSF after October 31, 2016:





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THAT the Presidium has full authority to accept Applications from, and to issue Adjudicators' Licences and Athlete's Cards to, otherwise qualified natural persons who would otherwise qualify by citizenship or residency in the Russian Federation, that they be granted such Licences and Cards; and to carry on all business which is reasonably related to issuing such Licences and Cards; **AND** to perform all acts and prepare, execute and issue all documents, broadcasts, messages and other communications as are necessary to give full effect to this Resolution with a view to preserving all the privileges of citizens and residents of the Russian Federation to participate in WDSF DanceSport.

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For clarity, 'performing all acts to give effect to this Resolution' means that <u>if</u> RDSU is expelled after October 31, 2016, WDSF ID cards and WDSF adjudicator's licences which were previously issued to citizens and residents of the Russian federation, will still work properly and Russian athletes can continue to compete, and Russian adjudicators can continue to judge, in WDSF DanceSport competitions, even though RDSU will then be expelled from WDSF.

- As a courtesy we advise you that after carefully considering this matter during its Meeting at Rome today, the Presidium has instructed the WDSF General Secretary to communicate to you the following requests as authorized in the AGM's Resolution (which may not be our last requests under that authority and Resolution), which are, in a spirit of cooperation, slightly different from our requests in our letter dated June 10, 2016:
- that the following people who serve or work for RDSU, resign in writing from all employment and any official or voluntary positions of any kind in RDSU, on or before June 30, 2016, or are otherwise terminated from all such positions by you, by and effective on that date, and in fact are not and will not be connected with RDSU, directly or indirectly, after such resignation or other termination, or after that date;



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- 2. that the current President of RDSU, Ms. Irina Petrova, resign in writing from all offices, employment and voluntary activity in RDSU, on or before July 15, 2016, effective immediately;
- 3. that an RDSU DanceSport person whom the WDSF Managing Committee agrees in writing is politically neutral, is appointed interim President of RDSU according to your statutes, on or before July 15, 2016, to hold office until fresh RDSU elections can be held.
- 4. that a special General Meeting of the RDSU, chaired by Pyotr Chebotarev or another RDSU DanceSport person whom the WDSF Managing Committee agrees by notice in writing delivered to you before the meeting, is politically neutral, is held on or before September 1, 2016 to elect a new Presidium and President of RDSU, following the resignation of the said interim President and any RDSU Presidium which is still in office at the opening of that special General Meeting. For clarity, we expect that the people named in paragraph 1 above, or persons considered to be related to them, will not be candidates or be elected.
- 5. that you again kindly invite an Observer appointed by WDSF to attend before, during and after that special General Meeting, at the meeting venue. For clarity, this Observer will travel to and from and stay in Russia at WDSF's expense.
- Please take notice that, under all the circumstances, during the period from now to October 31, 2016, the WDSF Presidium may without further notice to you downgrade your Membership in WDSF from Full Membership to Provisional Membership, and may take any other decisions with respect to you and your Membership in WDSF, according to the powers reserved to it in the **WDSF Statutes**.
- Of course we are always prepared to listen to reasonable proposals, but we again emphasize that our interest in and support for your current administrative corps and structure is at an end and that we





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are not prepared to listen to proposals for any superficial revision of the current regime and problems.

Let us be clear: we will not tolerate in any Member body a systematic exclusion and disenfranchisement, or either of them, of legitimate DanceSport people without reasonable grounds, and we will not tolerate circumstances in which the result of the Member body's activities seems to be the consistent avoidance of reconciliation and inclusion of all legitimate DanceSport people within the relevant country.

If you can commit unreservedly to the liberal, reform program of reconciliation, inclusion and reform described above, that would in our respectful view be best for DanceSport.

We ask that you cooperate with our requests fully in the spirit of sporting friendship and in the best interests of our sport.

Yours truly,
WORLD DANCESPORT FEDERATION

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General Secretary

cc. WDSF Presidium

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