STATEMENT ON TRANSPARENCY, DEMOCRACY AND HUMAN RIGHTS IN THE WORK OF INTERNATIONAL SPORT FEDERATIONS

The signing Ministers for Sport call for more transparency, democracy and human rights in the work of international sport federations.

We wish to support and cooperate with sport organisations at all levels in order to combat corruption, manipulation, opaque and undemocratic decision-making processes in international sport federations. Such acts undermine the core values of sport and threaten the integrity of sport. A strong democratic mind-set should be the cornerstone in our sport federations both nationally and internationally.

While many international sport federations do respect transparency and democracy, many do not. Therefore, there is a clear need for international sport federations to reform their decision-making processes. The time for action is now.

We expect international sport federations to initiate actions that increase transparency and democracy for the benefit of all sport. We especially stress the importance of full transparency when awarding and implementing sport events.

We will continue to address transparency and democracy in sport in relevant international fora.

We wish to cooperate and discuss transparency and democracy with sport federations both nationally and internationally.

We urge international sport federations to pay particularly close attention to the respect of fundamental human rights and labour standards when awarding international sport events.

Finally, we call for the promotion of non-discrimination and respect for all human rights, including the rights of migrant workers, children, minorities and LGBT+ persons, as well as freedom of expression and assembly in the preparation and execution of major sport events.

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