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2020年度スポーツ振興基金助成金交付申請書取り下げについて

平素より大変お世話になっております。

この度、IFAF 主催の第6回 アメリカンフットボール U-19 世界選手権 2020 アメリカ大会が、コロナウイルス感染症拡大のため延期となりましたので、下記申請を取り上げ致します。

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- ・令和2年度スポーツ振興基金助成金申請書(日ア協第2020-01-2号)  
「U-19世界選手権大会チーム派遣」事業

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IFAF(International Federation of American Football)からの声明文(英文)

IFAF Global Events(mail:Sun,29,Mar 2020)

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IFAF Statement sent on March 2nd

In light of the ongoing uncertainty and changing situation relating to the outbreak of the Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) the Executive Board of IFAF can confirm that the following global championships have been postponed:

The 2020 u19 World Championship

The 2020 Flag Football World Championships

This difficult decision has been made not only in the interest of the health and safety of players, officials and supporters but also in regard to the financial and organisational interests of the competing nations, players and the hosts.

With any global event both the competing nations and the hosts require reasonable time in advance to make preparations and to be able to make those preparations with a degree of certainty that the event will proceed as planned. Any significant changes closer to the event can have a disproportionate effect for all parties, particularly financially.

IFAF is committed to working to deliver both global championships and will explore alternative plans for both events as a matter of priority. Nations will be kept informed during this process.

The Executive Board would like to place on record its thanks to the respective local organising committees in both the United States and in Denmark for their understanding and their efforts so far. The Board would also like to thank nations for their understanding.

In regard to the staging of continental activity IFAF will continue to monitor the situation and work closely with partners to ensure timely and effective decisions can be made in the best interests of our members and partners.

In the meantime, IFAF advises all nations to follow the health and safety advice issued by their respective governments when planning any activity.

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Dear all,

Please find below a message from IFAF President, Richard MacLean.

If you have any queries, please feel free to contact me.

Kind regards,

Andy

Dear nations,

Following a Board meeting last week I write to inform you that IFAF will not deliver either the Flag Football World Championships or the U19 World Championship in 2020.

Despite the fact that this is undoubtedly disappointing it was felt that this is a necessary step to take.

While we hope that the threat of the COVID-19 virus recedes as the year progresses we recognize that the current disruption it has had and will continue to have.

Any championship requires the hosts and attending teams to have a meaningful lead-in time to prepare. With the current uncertainty set to continue this it is not to anyone's benefit to continue to wait. In addition, we recognize that many federations are looking to Summer and to the Fall to complete domestic schedules - something which is business critical for many, and which may be required in order to both select and finance an international program.

In terms of the two tournaments we will look to schedule them in 2021.

The U19 World Championship will become a U20 event in order to accommodate players who would have potentially become ineligible due to age.

We recognize that 2021 is going to be a year where football has an increased number of events on the calendar as a consequence. We will seek to work sympathetically around this to deliver a co-ordinated and cost-sensitive calendar.

In regard to Congress we remain committed to hosting the next Congress in the United States. We will explore a number of options with the host nation to give ourselves flexibility for dates

later in the year. However, the exact scheduling and confirmation will remain under review in the short term as we react to circumstances.

Whilst the postponement of these events is disappointing we want to both reassure players, coaches and staff that they will happen and we also want to ensure that where possible, nations can prioritize their domestic game.

Yours sincerely,

Richard.

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