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The President Donnie Burns MBE

The President and Presidium of the World Dance Council wish to record their sadness at many of the recent activities in our beautiful world of dance. Whilst we are confident that our positions on freedom of the organizers, dancers and the open market to trade are well documented, nonetheless for the avoidance of doubt, we wish to reassure all interested parties that we remain open and committed to dialogue without preconditions, with any parties interested in opening negotiations who share a long term view to improving the current situation.

Albeit that the President Mr. Donnie Burns MBE has written to President Freitag of the International Dancesport Federation on numerous occasions and received no reply, nonetheless our interests to meet remains firm. Quite clearly none of our members' interests are best served by the current situation. Quite clearly nobody's best interests in the dance world at large are best served by the current situation, and so it was with this in mind that the World Dance Council Board of Directors appointed Mr. Nils-Hakan Carlzon as a special envoy to attempt to achieve the mission impossible of peace in our dancing world. Nils-Hakan was given a completely free hand to go about the projects in any way he deems most appropriate. No interference, no influence, just a mission of huge importance and goodwill.

No one should question the sincere commitment of the President and Presidium of the WDC to open dialogue with IDSF or their constituents at any time where it is shown that there is a will on their part.

In the meantime the WDC remains committed to fully serving and protecting our members, organizers and dancers in respect of their interests and freedom to trade.

Issued by the President Mr. Donnie Burns MBE on behalf of the WDC Presidium and unanimously supported.

Yours sincerely,

Donnie Burns MBE
President-World Dance Council