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The World Dance Council wishes the following facts to be clarified accurately in the public domain:

Having received bona fide applications for membership from the International Dance Union (IDU) and the International Dance Sport Association (IDSA) the World Dance Council considered at great length the issues on their merits. Contrary to statements made at different times from members of other organisations, the World Dance Council did not accept these other applicants as members, but instead left the applications "on the table" in the interests of peace in the Dance World at large, and with deference to our relation with the International Dancesport Federation (IDSF) at that time. Today the situation remains the same.

Following the court case in Alcobendas, Spain in January 2008, the costs to be paid were awarded by the court and indeed were promptly settled in full by the World Dance Council.

The World Dance Council, for the avoidance of doubt, has never at any time opposed or indeed refused to comply with the World Anti-Doping Code and indeed fully supports the aims, logistics and moral values implemented in the Code at all times.

The World Dance Council furthermore, does also, in common with all Western societies completely, have a policy of zero tolerance on racism.

It seems most important, at this particular juncture in time, to reiterate the WDC's intent and commitment to support and encourage freedom to compete and teach, to organise and trade, and therefore we intended to meet with the IDSF in accordance with our letter as published recently, for the benefit of dancing worldwide, and the Presidium therefore wishes to act with absolute transparency and wishes to dispel any allegations and rumours, that could have been misused to, or even may in future be used to impede this process.

The World Dance Council announces with the deepest regret the IDSF refusal at least to talk, this decision allegedly fought for at the Annual General Meeting of the IDSF by their current President, Carlos Freitag.

A copy of our invitation to enter dialogue per the decision at our Annual General meeting in June of 2010 and the IDSF subsequent refusal are enclosed with this Press Release.

Yours sincerely,

Hannes Emrich
General Secretary & Company Secretary, WDC Ltd.

On behalf of the President and Presidium of the World Dance Council



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Mitcham, 27 July 2010

Carlos Freitag
The President
International DanceSport Federation

by email

Formation of a joint committee

Dear Mr. President,
Dear Carlos,

May I take this opportunity to wish you a successful Annual General meeting this weekend.

At the recent AGM of the World Dance Council, the Members through vote have mandated the Presidium of the World Dance Council to contact you and the IDSF to form a Joint Committee of four individuals from both the IDSF and WDC in order to explore the possibility of achieving peace and cooperation in the Dance World for the benefit of all dancers worldwide.

We therefore would ask you to consider our proposal to meet, without agenda, in the above format at a neutral location in Europe to discuss said possibilities.

We look forward to receiving your earliest and hopefully favourable reply.

Yours sincerely,

Hannes Emrich
General Secretary & Company Secretary, WDC Ltd.

On behalf of the Presidium of the WDC Ltd.



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22 June 2010

Hannes Emrich
General Secretary & Company Secretary,
World Dance Council Ltd

Dear Mr Emrich,

Thank you for your letter to Mr Carlos Freitag, President of the IDSF dated 9 June 2010.

I regret to inform you that the motion for the formation of a joint committee between IDSF and the WDC was not approved by the delegates at the AGM in Vienna.

As you know, IDSF is continuing to develop DanceSport and fulfill all our obligations and responsibilities as an International Sports Federation including Anti-Doping.

Although our bodies are developing in different directions, I hope that we will one day be able to find a pathway to enable a fruitful relationship.

Kindly Regards,

Shawn Tay
IDSF General Secretary