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BUSAN DECLARATION

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Emphasizing that sport plays a critical role in the development of our societies by helping shape individuals and communities in a meaningful and positive way;

Underlining that clean sport instills important values of discipline, self-confidence, commitment, leadership, solidarity, work ethic and fair play, among others, that are important to protect;

Commending athletes for their continued commitment to clean sport, and the central role that they have taken on in promoting the spirit of sport;

Condemning the practice of doping in sport and its detrimental impacts on the integrity and spirit of sport, the health and well-being of athletes, the educational value of sport for youth and communities, and the fairness of sport competitions;

Reiterating the importance for all participants in the anti-doping movement to cooperate and intensify their joint efforts to protect clean sport and all athletes in compliance with their respective roles and responsibilities, while ensuring that clean athletes retain fair access to sport irrespective of nationality;

Emphasizing that sport is stronger and all athletes benefit when anti-doping stakeholders are united and working together;

Cautioning against any promotion or trivialization of the use of doping in sport or its consequences for the health of the participating athletes;

Recognizing the changing landscape for anti-doping, and the challenges posed by scientific and technological advances in both doping and anti-doping practices, including an increased risk of detecting the presence of prohibited substances as contaminants;

Emphasizing that doping in sport is a complex issue that can only be addressed through a multifaceted and coordinated approach, which includes education and training, innovative research and practices, well-resourced anti-doping organizations, improved detection and sample collection methods, robust intelligence and investigation capacities, and compliance monitoring and transparency related to the implementation of the World Anti-Doping Code and the International Standards;

Recognizing the extraordinary pace of technological change around the world, including artificial intelligence, and the risk and opportunity that technological advances may present for anti-doping;

Reminding all anti-doping stakeholders, including athlete support personnel, that athletes are at the center of the protection of clean sport and that their first anti-doping experience should be through education rather than doping control;

Acknowledging that athlete, stakeholder and community trust in the anti-doping system is strengthened through demonstrable independence in Doping Control processes and Results Management;





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Acknowledging the important steps forward in the protection of clean sport taken by the anti-doping community, and *highlighting* that the implementation of the new 2027 World Anti-Doping Code and International Standards will further drive progress of the global anti-doping system:

Calling upon all organizations that benefit from clean sport, including professional leagues, private sector organizations, university and grassroots sport, and other organizations with significant relevance in sport, to contribute to the fight against doping in sport;

Thanking athletes, Governments, the Sport Movement, National and Regional Anti-Doping Organizations, laboratories, and all participants in the anti-doping system, for their continued support towards the protection of clean sport and for their contributions to WADA; and

Expressing deep gratitude to the City of Busan for hosting the Sixth World Conference on Doping in Sport, and contributing to lasting collaboration among all anti-doping stakeholders.

The World Conference:

As to the review and amendment of the World Anti-Doping Code and International Standards

- 1. *Underlines* that regular review and strengthening of the World Anti-Doping Code and the International Standards is fundamental for the harmonization of the anti-doping system and the protection of clean sport;
- 2. Appreciates the important contribution of the world anti-doping community to the development of the 2027 World Anti-Doping Code and International Standards and *notes* the welcome engagement of athletes in particular;
- 3. Commends the emphasis given to ensuring that the World Anti-Doping Code and International Standards protect human rights whilst advancing the fight against doping in sport, including measures to recognize the unique challenges in anti-doping with respect to para-athletes, minors and protected persons;
- 4. Reaffirms that strict implementation of, and monitoring of compliance with, the World Anti-Doping Code and International Standards by all stakeholders is essential to advancing the fight against doping in sport; and
- Welcomes the decisions of WADA's Foundation Board and Executive Committee to approve, respectively, the revisions to the World Anti-Doping Code and International Standards, which, after an extensive consultation process open to all stakeholders, will come into force on 1 January 2027.

As to the World Anti-Doping Agency

- Recognizes the foundational partnership between the Sport Movement and Governments and fully supports WADA as the sole global regulator of anti-doping in sport, and its unique role and responsibility of ensuring the harmonization of anti-doping rules (including legislation) and of monitoring their implementation globally;
- 7. Commends WADA for delivering on its mission to lead a global collaborative movement for sport free from doping, and its efficiency, professionalism, transparency and accomplishments;



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- 8. Supports WADA's focus on engaging with athletes at all levels of its operations;
- Encourages WADA and all Signatories to the Code to promote a clean sport environment for all athletes by advancing the quality and accessibility of education through diversified methods, including digital learning;
- 10. *Calls on* all stakeholders to strengthen their support and contributions to WADA's mission, strategy, and activities;
- 11. Encourages WADA to: continue leading the protection of clean sport; use all available means to provide support and guidance to enhance anti-doping capacity and compliance amongst all Signatories; and ensure appropriate consequences for non-compliance with the World Anti-Doping Code and International Standards; and
- 12. Expresses gratitude to and commends the Governments and the Olympic Movement for their unique partnership in funding WADA's approved annual core budget equally, and reiterates the commitment of the world anti-doping movement under the Copenhagen Declaration on Anti-Doping in Sport to ensure that contributions are paid by all patrons in due course.

As to Athletes and Athlete Support Personnel

- 13. Recognizes the diversity, importance and richness of athletes' perspectives for the protection of clean sport, and the valuable contribution of athletes' involvement in anti-doping governance structures and programs, including in delivering athlete-led engagement and anti-doping education:
- 14. *Welcomes* the consultative approach of the Athlete Council, and *encourages* all stakeholders to pursue ongoing dialogue with the broader athlete community;
- 15. Encourages athletes, athlete support personnel, and other individuals involved in sport to: respect anti-doping rules; continue to take an active role in the development of anti-doping policies and programs; publicly and actively promote the values of clean sport; and denounce all doping practices; and
- 16. *Calls on* athlete support personnel to take accountability to promote the values of clean sport amongst all athletes, understand anti-doping responsibilities through education, and foster environments that protect athletes against intentional or inadvertent doping.

As to Governments

- 17. Requests that Governments take the necessary actions to strengthen the implementation of, and compliance with, the UNESCO International Convention against Doping in Sport;
- Urges Governments to take the relevant measures to ensure a timely implementation of the 2027 World Anti-Doping Code and International Standards by their respective National Anti-Doping Organizations;
- 19. *Urges* Governments to allocate sufficient financial, material and human resources to their National or Regional Anti-Doping Organizations to, respectively, implement and support compliance with the World Anti-Doping Code and International Standards, including operational independence requirements;



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20. Recognizes Governments' unique role in supporting anti-doping investigations, and requests Governments to continue increasing their efforts to deter doping in sport, protect whistleblowers, and support anti-doping investigations through all available means.

As to the Olympic and Sport Movement

- 21. Requires all stakeholders of the Olympic and Sport Movement, in particular, the International Olympic Committee, the International Paralympic Committee, International Federations, National Olympic Committees, National Paralympic Committees, and other Major Event Organizations, to implement and be fully compliant with the World Anti-Doping Code and International Standards:
- 22. *Urges* all stakeholders of the Olympic and Sport Movement to strengthen cooperation amongst each other as well as with Governments, Anti-Doping Organizations and delegated third parties, with a view to enhancing anti-doping capacity and independence across all sports, levels, disciplines and regions of the world; and
- 23. *Encourages* all stakeholders of the Olympic and Sport Movement to regularly promote, during sport events in particular, the importance of protecting clean sport.

As to National and Regional Anti-Doping Organizations

- 24. Requires National Anti-Doping Organizations to implement and be fully compliant with the World Anti-Doping Code and International Standards, including, specifically, to support and adhere to the operational independence requirements of the Code;
- 25. Calls on Regional Anti-Doping Organizations to support their member countries in implementing the World Anti-Doping Code and International Standards, and build capacity for the anti-doping program across each region; and
- 26. *Urges* National and Regional Anti-Doping Organizations to strengthen cooperation and collaboration with their counterparts, Governments, and other anti-doping stakeholders, in particular to support regions where anti-doping activities are still maturing.

The 2025 World Conference on Doping in Sport *calls upon* all stakeholders involved in upholding clean sport, including athletes, the Sport Movement, Governments and Anti-Doping Organizations, to individually and collectively:

- Reinforce their anti-doping education, deterrence, detection, investigation and sanctioning efforts;
- Increase resources dedicated to protecting clean sport;
- Strengthen collaboration and cooperation; and
- Unite towards the mutual goals of continuing to build trust in the anti-doping system and eradicating doping in sport for the benefit of all athletes and the integrity of sport.