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Shaping the future for clean sport

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WADA AND ITS ANTI-DOPING PARTNERS ARE WORKING HARD TO REINFORCE CLEAN SPORT...
WADA and its partners have taken action to level the playing field in Rio

- WADA-IOC Task Force
- Intelligence Group
- Rio Laboratory
- Independent Observer Team
- Athlete Outreach
OUR CHALLENGES WITH RUSSIA...
The Russian timeline...

- Great pressure on sport given doping allegations that led to high profile investigations.

- From 2010 – 2013, whistleblowers provided WADA with ‘information’ regarding collusion and corruption.
  - No ‘concrete evidence’
  - WADA did not have power to investigate under the 2009 Code
  - In 2012, ExCo Chairman said that WADA needed investigative powers to be effective

- On 2 December 2014, German broadcaster ARD released first documentary alleging systematic doping in Russia.

- On 11 December 2014, WADA announced the Independent Commission, which commenced in 2015 when we acquired investigative powers under the new Code.
The Russian timeline… (Cont.)

- The Commission fully engaged the whistleblowers.
- On 9 November 2015 and 14 January 2016, the Commission announced its findings related to the laboratory, RUSADA and IAAF governance.
- WADA took action immediately on the Commission’s recommendations:
  - 9 November 2015: Suspended Moscow laboratory
  - 13 November 2015: IAAF suspended ARAF
  - 18 November 2015: RUSADA was declared non-compliant
  - Senior staff from RUSADA and the laboratory resigned
  - 15 April 2016: Laboratory revocation approved by WADA Executive Committee
- The Commission did not find any ‘concrete evidence’ of state involvement.
On 8 and 12 May 2016 allegations of former Moscow lab director, Grigory Rodchenkov, were published by *CBS 60 Minutes* and the *New York Times*.

On 19 May 2016, WADA established the McLaren Investigation.

On 18 July 2016: WADA published the McLaren Investigation Report, which confirmed beyond a reasonable doubt:

1. The Moscow laboratory operated, for the protection of doped Russian athletes, within a State-dictated failsafe system, described in the Report as the Disappearing Positive Methodology.
2. The Sochi laboratory operated a unique sample swapping methodology to enable doped Russian athletes to compete at the Games.
3. The Ministry of Sport directed, controlled and oversaw the manipulation of athletes’ analytical results and sample swapping, with the active participation and assistance of the Federal Security Service (FSB); the Center of Sports Preparation of National Teams of Russia (CSP); and, both Moscow and Sochi laboratories.
McLaren confirmed that:

- he had gathered and reviewed as much evidence as possible within 57 days;
- his Report was partial and substantial;
- more evidence to reviewed ‘to identify athletes that might have benefited; and
- that he would be pleased to complete his mandate.

WADA’s Executive Committee made recommendations to the sports movement and extended Professor McLaren’s mandate.
The Russian timeline… (Cont.)

- On 24 July 2016, the IOC Executive Board asked International Federations to deal with the selection of Russian athletes for Rio 2016.

- WADA has been, and will continue, providing anti-doping organizations with available information from McLaren’s work.

- Richard McLaren has been authorized to complete his mandate.

- With Rio just two weeks out, the findings and their impacts created challenging timelines for everyone involved.
THE WAY FORWARD WITH RUSSIA...
There are still challenges with Russia...

- On 18 November 2015, RUSADA was declared non-compliant.
- Immediately thereafter, a team of experts from WADA and UKAD met with RUSADA and the Russian Ministry of Sport to explore the ways and means that an intelligence-led testing program could run.
- In early February 2016, an agreement was signed between WADA, UKAD and RUSADA.
- In April, WADA engaged two international experts.
- An independent international expert from the Council of Europe was appointed to join the RUSADA Board.
There are still challenges with Russia… (Cont.)

- In May and June 2016, WADA issued status updates regarding the testing program highlighting limitations.
- There is still much work to be done to bring RUSADA back to compliance.
- Culture change needed in order to deliver the reform that clean sport needs.
- Meanwhile, the Moscow laboratory accreditation is suspended until further notice.
STRENGTHENED LABORATORY PROFICIENCY TESTING...
We have strengthened our laboratory proficiency testing

- WADA is committed to having a robust proficiency testing program in place.
- This has resulted in numerous lab suspensions over past months:
  - Almaty
  - Beijing
  - Bloemfontein
  - Lisbon
  - Madrid
  - Rio (that has since been reinstated)
- Labs may be suspended for a variety of reasons.
- Suspensions safeguard clean athletes.
REINFORCING THE ANTI-DOPING SYSTEM...
We are engaging stakeholders to review the anti-doping system

- WADA is committed to working with its partners to review the current anti-doping system and ensure that the most effective system is put in place to protect clean sport.

- In June 2016, WADA announced intention to hold a World Conference on Doping in Sport in 2019.

- During the 21 July Olympic Summit, the IOC proposed that WADA hold such a conference in 2017, which is to be discussed during WADA’s September Executive Committee meeting.
We are engaging stakeholders to review the anti-doping system (Cont.)

- In September 2016, WADA will hold the first in a series of multi-stakeholder think tanks to address in particular:
  - Minimising corruption and bribery practices in the anti-doping process
  - Implementing Consequences of Non-Compliance
  - Reviewing WADA’s Governance Structure
- Quality of the system is a direct reflection of how the rules are enforced and the quality being practiced.
- Thus, it is very important to have a robust compliance program in place.
WADA HAS A NEW, ISO ACCREDITED, COMPLIANCE PROGRAM IN PLACE…
WADA has a new robust, ISO-accredited, independent compliance program

- WADA initially focused on ensuring Code ‘rule’ compliance by ADOs.
- Now, we are more focused on ‘program’ compliance.
- Process ensures that ‘rules’ and ‘programs’ are adjusted when required.
- Have formed an independent Compliance Review Committee (CRC).
- At May 2016 Board, was suggested that WADA should have greater powers to sanction, which would act as a deterrent, instill greater confidence and ensure harmonization.
Compliance of signatories

- The following signatories are currently deemed non-compliant:
  - The Russian Anti-Doping Agency (RUSADA), since 18 November 2015 – due to outcomes of the Independent Commission related to its ‘program’
  - The Spanish Agencia Española de Protección de la Salud en el Deporte (AEPSAD), since 19 March 2016 – due to its ‘rules’

- Again, related to rules, on 12 May 2016, the Polish Commission Against Doping in Sport was given until:
  - 12 August 2016 to solve issues related to recently adopted legislation; and
  - 12 September 2016 to solve issues related to results management conducted at the national federations’ level
We initiated a Partnership to Quality program

- In 2015, WADA initiated its Partnership to Quality program with International Federations.
- WADA has met with 15 summer and winter Olympic IFs that were keen to partner.
- Each IF was provided with a detailed report with recommendations related to best practice and compliance with the Code.
- WADA then worked with the IFs to put prioritized action plans in place.
- Great outcomes – with IF programs being enhanced in numerous ways.
We are strengthening our information gathering and intelligence sharing (I&I)

- With the 2015 Code, WADA acquired new powers for information gathering and intelligence sharing (I&I).
- Another powerful strategy for detection and deterrence.
- ADOs are able to obtain, assess and process intelligence from all available sources to inform their programs.
- WADA is equipping ADOs with the necessary tools.
We are strengthening our information gathering and intelligence sharing (I&I) (Cont.)

- WADA has MOU’s in place with INTERPOL and the World Customs Organization
- With the 2015 Code, WADA used its power to investigate to full effect with:
  - 2015 Independent Commission
  - 2016 McLaren Investigation
- In October, Günter Younger joins the Agency as the new Director of Intelligence and Investigations.
We are strengthening our information gathering and intelligence sharing (I&I) (Cont.)

- Our challenges:
  - Securing additional funding for investigations
    - the IC cost USD 1.5 million
    - In November 2015, initiated an Investigations fund -- governments have contributed approximately USD 450,000
  - Gathering concrete evidence
  - Ensuring better protection for whistleblowers
  - Managing expectations in terms of what we are able to accomplish
We are enhancing our whistleblower program

- Whistleblowers are key to acquiring concrete evidence.
- We have learned a great deal over the past year
- We are strengthening our whistleblower process by:
  - Development of a whistleblower program/policy
  - Enhancements to our website
  - Monitor and adjusting as we go
TOGETHER, WE CAN SHAPE THE BEST FUTURE FOR CLEAN SPORT...