

Resolution of the 8th Asia/Oceania Region Intergovernmental Ministerial Meeting on Anti-Doping in Sport

21 May 2011

Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Meeting Chaired by the President of the Saudi Arabian Anti-Doping Committee

The governments participating in the 8th Asia/Oceania Region Intergovernmental Ministerial Meeting on Anti-Doping in Sport having examined, discussed and fully considered the documents and presentations from the meeting wish to adopt the following resolutions:

1. Respect the messages given by H.R.H Prince Nawwaf Bin Faisal Bin Fahd Bin Abdul Aziz, President of the General Presidency of Youth Welfare, and Mr David Howman, Director General of the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) to continue to work together in the fight against doping in sport.
2. Appreciate the progress reports and presentations given by participating countries on the recent development of anti-doping policy and activities in each of their countries.
3. Appreciate the report on the anti-doping policy development and the efforts by the Saudi Arabia Anti-Doping Committee and the Saudi Arabia Food and Drug Authority.
4. Appreciate and commend the work of the Saudi Arabia Anti-Doping Committee to organize the meeting so effectively and efficiently.
5. Appreciate the support by UNESCO in developing and implementing the International Convention against Doping in Sport and the Fund for the Elimination of Doping in Sport.

6. Agree that the governments of all participating countries recognize the importance of each government's commitment to carry out the fight against doping in sport in cooperation with the sports movement and will undertake the following actions:

6.1 Urge and encourage the nine remaining countries in Asia and five in Oceania who have not yet ratified the UNESCO International Convention against Doping in Sport (the Convention) to urgently become a State Party;

6.2 Encourage countries who require assistance with anti-doping projects to apply to the UNESCO Fund for the Elimination of Doping in Sport (Voluntary Fund) in cooperation with UNESCO and WADA, recognising that a country must have ratified the Convention to apply;

6.3 Prior to the WADA Foundation Board meeting in November 2011 at which an official WADA Code compliance report by Signatories will be considered, strongly encourage their National Anti-Doping Organisation (NADO) and National Olympic Committee (NOC) to take part in and complete as expeditiously as possible the Code compliance process by providing WADA with their anti-doping rules, or where appropriate, having the option of delegating certain anti-doping responsibilities to the Regional Anti-Doping Organisations (RADOs) based on the RADO rules and completing the WADA on-line survey on Code compliance urgently;

6.4 Provide support to and cooperate with the WADA Asia/Oceania Regional Office to attain the goals of the Asia/Oceania Regional Plan for 2011;

6.5 Agree that following deliberations by the Finance Committee and the Ad hoc Committee that the Asian region contribution to WADA for 2012 be calculated as follows: Japan, Brunei Darussalam, China and the Least Developed Countries - Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Cambodia, Laos, Nepal, Timor-Leste and Yemen, maintain their 2011 contribution

amounts and any WADA budget increase from 2011 to 2012 be spread across all other countries*;

6.6 Agree the Ad Hoc Committee, comprising representatives from China, India, Brunei Darussalam, Qatar and Jordan (Chair), examine the contribution to WADA for 2013 and beyond with the expectation that they will report to, and make recommendations at, the next intergovernmental meeting in 2012;

6.7 Agree to the establishment of an Asian Anti-Doping Foundation (AADF) and request the Asian Region Finance Committee, composed of the RADO Chairs of Asia and the WADA Asian Foundation Board members to establish a working sub-group and work with the WADA Asian/Oceania Regional Office as the Secretariat, to examine a framework for its establishment and any associated issues;

6.8 Agree that in keeping with the protocol of Government representation to the WADA Foundation from all regions of the world, the candidate should be the Minister or equivalent Ministerial level position in the government responsible for anti-doping;

6.9 Agree that the WADA Regional Office continue to coordinate the election process of the Asian Regional WADA Foundation Board member representative at the request of the governments present. It was further agreed that countries must have made a full financial contribution to WADA (2005-2011) and have become a State Party to the UNESCO International Convention against Doping in Sport in order to be able to vote and to be a candidate. It was also agreed that in case of a tie among two or more candidates, a separate vote between such candidates be organised and the candidate having the lower number of votes be eliminated. If following this vote there is still a tie, the name of the candidate to be eliminated will be drawn, by the WADA Executive Committee Member (currently Japan). Finally it was agreed that immediately following the meeting the WADA Asian Regional Office will consult with Governments on whether the number

of votes for each country should or should not be released to candidate countries.

7. Assist and promote the activities of the Regional Anti-Doping Organisations (RADOs) and the development of National Anti-Doping Organisations, where appropriate through enhanced regional cooperation.
8. Appreciate and accept the kind offers from the governments of Iran and Pakistan to host the 9th Asia/Oceania Regional Intergovernmental meeting on Anti-Doping in Sport in 2012. The WADA Asia/Oceania Regional Office will liaise with the respective countries to determine the host country and advise all governments of the outcome.

Participant countries (23):

Afghanistan, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Brunei Darussalam, China, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Japan, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Nepal, Oman, Pakistan, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Syria, and United Arab Emirates

Observers from the Sport Movement:

Olympic Council of Asia

Guest

United Nation's Education, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)

Approved on 22 May 2011 by the participants

**Singapore – the representative noted they could not yet adopt 6.5 as the representative was not mandated to do so but would consult with the government on their return from the meeting.*