

Resolution of the 9th Asia/Oceania Region Intergovernmental Ministerial Meeting on Anti-Doping in Sport

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Bangkok, Kingdom of Thailand

Meeting Chaired by the Governor of the Sports Authority of Thailand

The governments participating in the 9th 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.E. Mr. Sombat Kuruphan, Vice Minister of Sports and Tourism of the Kingdom of Thailand, and Mr. David Howman, Director General of the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) and wish 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 anti-doping policy development by the National Olympic Committee of Thailand and the Sports Authority of Thailand.
4. Appreciate and commend the work of Mr. Kanokphand Chunkasem, Governor of the Sports Authority of Thailand and his team for preparing and organizing the meeting so effectively and efficiently.
5. Appreciate the support and presentation by the Olympic Council of Asia on their regional anti-doping program and recognize the importance of the continued promotion and cooperation with the Sport Movement to achieve the goals of anti-doping policy.
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 eight remaining countries in Asia and four in Oceania that 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 make an application to the Fund, and note that, following the decision of the 3rd Session of the Conference of Parties meeting in Paris in November 2011, States Parties must complete the UNESCO Ad Logic online Survey in order to receive funding from the Voluntary Fund;
- 6.3 Prior to the London Summer Olympic Games, 27 July – 12 August 2012 and Paralympic Games 29 August – 9 September 2012, the remaining non-compliant Signatories, i.e. the National Anti-Doping Organisation (NADO), or the responsible National Olympic Committee (NOC) complete as expeditiously as possible the final Code compliance requirements in order to become Code compliant;
- 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 2012;
- 6.5 Agree that following the deliberation and recommendation of the Ad hoc Finance Committee, a delegated sub-committee of the Asian Finance Committee, comprising China, India, Brunei Darussalam, Qatar and Jordan (Chair) that the Asian region contribution to WADA for 2013 until 2017 be calculated as follows: Japan and Brunei Darussalam maintain their 2012 contribution amounts, the Least Developed Countries of Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, Laos, Maldives, Nepal, Timor-Leste and Yemen (nine) pay at least

USD 5000, and any WADA budget increase from 2012 to 2013 and beyond be shared by equal ratio across all other countries, such decision may be revisited in five years, 2017, if appropriate;

6.6 Recognise the work undertaken on the framework to establish the Asian Anti-Doping Foundation (AADF) and agree with the recommendation of the working sub-group of the Asian Region Finance Committee, that they continue their work with the WADA Asian/Oceania Regional Office as the Secretariat, to examine issues related to the establishment of the AADF and encourage expected Contributors to take the initiative to promote and lead the process for the establishment and initial implementation of the program of the AADF;

6.7 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 in order to be able to vote and be considered as a candidate for election, a country must have fulfilled the following three (3) criteria: 1) Made a full financial contribution to WADA (2005-2012); 2) Be a State Party to the UNESCO International Convention against Doping in Sport; and 3) The Signatory, i.e. the National Anti-Doping Organization (NADO), in a country be declared compliant with the World Anti-Doping Code. It was also agreed that the number of votes for each country would not be released to candidate countries based on the decision reached by Governments after consultation carried out by the WADA Asia/Oceania Regional Office immediately following the 8th Asia/Oceania Region Intergovernmental Ministerial Meeting in Riyadh in 2011.

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. Recognise the work undertaken by WADA, to date, to review the World Anti-Doping Code, thank the WADA Director General for his in-depth presentation

of the first draft version of the 2015 Code at the meeting and encourage all governments and relevant stakeholders in the region to actively take part in the consultation process by making submissions online to WADA at <https://connect.wada-ama.org/home.php> in advance of the second consultation deadline of 10 October 2012. Noting also the third and final consultation phase for the revised 2015 Code will be between 1 December 2012 and 1 March 2013, with the final draft presented to the WADA Executive and Foundation Board for approval in November 2013 at the 4th World Conference on Doping in Sport.

9. Note that the Government of South Africa will be hosting the 4th World Conference on Doping in Sport in Johannesburg, South Africa in November 2013 and wishes to invite and encourage all government Ministers and officials responsible for Sport and Anti-Doping, Anti-Doping Experts and other key stakeholders to attend the Conference to show their support for the global fight against doping in sport.

10. Appreciate and accept the kind offer from the government of the Maldives to host the 10th Asia/Oceania Region Intergovernmental Ministerial Meeting on Anti-Doping in Sport on 28 – 29 March 2013. For the 11th intergovernmental meeting in 2014, kind tentative offers to host the meeting have been received from the governments of Brunei Darussalam and Japan. The WADA Asia/Oceania Regional Office will liaise with the respective countries to determine the host country, the schedule and agenda, and advise all Governments of the outcome.

Participant countries (26):

Afghanistan, Bahrain, Bhutan, Brunei Darussalam, China, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Malaysia, Maldives, Nepal, Oman, Palestine, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Samoa, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Syria, Thailand and United Arab Emirates.

Guests from the Sport Movement:

Olympic Council of Asia

Approved on 28 June 2012 by the Participants