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## Situation of your NOC

Dear President, Dear Secretary General,

This is to follow up on the fact-finding visit to Dominica conducted by IOC member Richard Peterkin on 15 and 16 July 2013 in order to review the situation of your NOC following the elections of 24 January 2013.

First of all, we would like to express our thanks and appreciation to you and all members of your NOC for the very open and constructive discussions which took place on the occasion of Mr Peterkin's visit to find an adequate and peaceful solution in the best interest of your NOC and the Olympic Movement in Dominica.

On the basis of all the documents received from your NOC/members of your NOC over the past months and the very comprehensive report by Mr Peterkin, we came to the conclusion that the following steps should now be undertaken to clarify and resolve the internal situation of your NOC:

- 1. The composition/membership of your NOC must be clarified to make sure that only those National Federations (NFs) duly affiliated to and in good standing with their respective International Federations (IFs) are included in the membership of your NOC. To this effect, the IOC will consult all IFs concerned and ask them to confirm the status of their respective NFs in Dominica. We will then provide your NOC with the full list of confirmations received from the IFs, which should serve as a basis to definitively confirm the membership of your NOC. This step will be completed within one (1) month maximum.
- 2. In parallel to step 1, the IOC will review the current Constitution of your NOC and make sure that it is not only fully compliant with the Olympic Charter and the basic principles of good governance, but also fully applicable to the present situation in Dominica. This will include, in particular, the establishment of a proper athletes' commission as per the IOC guidelines. We will send all our comments on the current Constitution within one (1) month maximum. Then, we will ask you to coordinate with all members of your NOC in order to consider the IOC's comments and send us back your final draft revised Constitution for our final review and provisional approval before it is submitted to your NOC General Assembly for

adoption. The final draft of your revised NOC Constitution should be ready within two (2) months maximum.

- 3. Upon completion of steps 1 and 2 (that is, within two (2) months maximum) your NOC will have to hold a General Assembly in order, in particular, to (i) confirm the current membership of your NOC (based on the list of IF confirmations provided by the IOC) and (ii) to adopt the revised Constitution. In the meantime, the NFs which are not in good standing with your NOC will have an opportunity to take any necessary steps to rectify their situation vis-à-vis the NOC before the whole process is completed.
- 4. Once all these steps are successfully completed and the new NOC Constitution as adopted by your NOC General Assembly is formally approved by the IOC, your NOC will be in a position to act accordingly. Then, it goes without saying that everyone will have to respect and abide by any democratic decision taken by the competent bodies of your NOC as per the newly adopted NOC Constitution.

We hope that this process will help your NOC resolve all the pending issues amicably and democratically in accordance with the Olympic Charter and the basic principles of good governance of the organisations belonging to the Olympic Movement.

We count on full support from your NOC and all members of your NOC to implement this process.

In addition, we kindly request that you circulate immediately a copy of this letter to all national federations and members of your NOC for information.

We thank you for your understanding and valuable cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

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