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April 20, 2010

To: Mr. Mr. Ziaulhaq Bakhshi
Contact person, Afghanistan National Taekwondo Federation

Mr. Ghulam Rabani Rabani
Former President, Afghanistan National Taekwondo Federation

Mr. Mahmood Haidari

Re: Decision of the WTF on Haidari's case

Dear Sirs,

As you know, a WTF Ad-Hoc Investigation Committee was formed on March 22, 2010 to probe into false registration filings and falsified documents regarding the age of Mr. Mahmood Haidari. After a series of formal proceedings including inquiries to Mr. Haidari, the ANTF, and the NOC of Afghanistan, Investigation Committee finally submitted an official report to Sanctions Committee on April 9, 2010.

Based on findings from an Ad-Hoc Investigation Committee and analysis and recommendations from the WTF Sanctions Committee, the WTF has made the following decisions on the sanctions on the persons and organizations involved in this case in accordance with the Article 24 of the WTF Rules and Regulations ("Sanction"):

1. Mahmood Haidari:

- Revocation of his gold medal from the WTF Qualification Tournament held in Tijuana, Mexico (and, thus, revocation of the qualified place of Afghanistan NOC in Men's under 55kg).
- Suspension from participating in WTF-promoted or sanctioned taekwondo events for **one (1) year** from the date of the Sanctions Committee report (**April 11, 2010**)

2. Afghanistan National Taekwondo Federation:

- Six (6) months suspension from the WTF membership and a fine of US\$ 10,000, plus all the expenses of the Investigation Committee and Sanctions Committee. The total amount will be notified in due time.



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3. Ghulam Rabani Rabani:

- Life ban from WTF membership (i.e. he is not allowed to be a member or take any position in any of taekwondo organizations in and outside Afghanistan and international taekwondo organizations as well)

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jin Suk Yang'.

Jin Suk Yang
Secretary General

Cc: NOC of Afghanistan
Mr. Pere Miro, IOC Director, NOC Relations
Mr. Christophe Dubi, IOC Sports Director
Olympic Council of Asia
Asian Taekwondo Union