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Statement of the I.T.F with respect to the Covid-19 ("Coronavirus") outbreak

1. In light of the Covid-19 ("Coronavirus") outbreak and the expansion of the crisis worldwide, and following the cancellation and postponement of the event that was supposed to take place in South Korea on April 2020, the Board of I.T.F, having in mind as its first concern and priority the health and safety of the I.T.F practitioners worldwide, took the decision to state as follows:

All the ITF events that were planned and supposed to take part until the end of April 2020

- a. IIC in Switzerland
- b. Korea events (as mentioned above)
- c. European Championship in Slovakia
- d. IUC in Argentina
- e. Tournaments in Italy
- f. Tournaments in Spain

are cancelled or postponed.

Further decisions regarding the future organization of these events will be taken in due course and in strict consideration and evaluation of the situation in the next coming months.

2. ITF also recommends that events that are not under the responsibility of ITF but of the ITF members that have planned events such as training camps, competitions, seminars etc. should be carefully reconsidered and the organizing members are strongly recommended to assess the situation and circumstances surrounding to the event in light of the Coronavirus situation. In doing so, the ITF members are recommended to take into consideration, amongst other factors,
 - (a) the country in which the event is supposed to take place and its actual situation vis a vis the Coronavirus outbreak
 - (b) the mandatory and official announcements such as orders, policies and restrictions that were published by authorities of the country of the event
 - (c) the number of the expected participants also in light of some official announcements in as much as they impose a limitation of the number of participants in a public event
 - (d) the countries from which the participants are supposed to arrive to the event and all other relevant factors.

As a matter of recommendation, it is the understanding of ITF that it would be of utmost importance to follow and obey by the official announcements and to reduce to the minimum exposure of the ITF practitioners to any potential risk.

3. The ITF Board would like to express its sincere sympathy and support towards its members in the countries that are severely affected because of the situation, and to wish all the ITF practitioners worldwide and their families and relatives good health and prayers that this situation will be behind us as soon as possible.

On behalf of the ITF Board of Directors,


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