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Re: IOC Recognition

Dear Mr. Damiani,

Until today, the World Bridge Federation was a Recognized Organisation. However, it is my pleasure to inform you that the Executive Board of the International Olympic Committee decided in its meeting in Seoul on 13th to 15th June 1999, to grant recognition to the World Bridge Federation (WBF) as a *Recognized Federation*, pursuant to Rule 29 of the Olympic Charter.

At this stage, we would require a re-confirmation from you that your doping regulations are in conformity with the Olympic Movement Medical Code and that the WBF adheres to the Court of Arbitration for Sport which has established itself as a most useful institution for the resolution of all forms of disputes relating to sport. These two points must be part of your statutes.

Also, we would like to remind you that even though you are an IOC Recognized Federation, this does not oblige each National Olympic Committee to grant recognition to the National Federation.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate you for all the efforts made in order to reach this goal, and to welcome you into the Olympic Family.

Yours sincerely,



Juan Antonio SAMARANCH
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