



July 4, 2022

To: IBA Board of Directors

Subject: **Announced IBA Extraordinary Congress and Presidential Election**

Dear IBA Board of Directors,

Following our open letter with sincere gratitude for taking important decisions in the most ethical and responsible manner at your most recent board meeting, we would like to address you privately with a request to ensure that all regulations governing the announced IBA Presidential Elections are released as soon as possible. It is crucial that everyone inside and outside of the Boxing Family know how this crucial election will be regulated. Of course, full compliance from the Presidential candidates would be required to guarantee a fair and democratic vote.

We would like to reiterate our position regarding the possible venue of the announced IBA Extraordinary Congress. We strongly believe that a hasty bidding process raises various risks and puts the organization of the Congress in inadmissible jeopardy. In order to ensure maximum transparency and integrity, we believe that it is necessary to convene this Congress in Switzerland, where the IOC and most Olympic International Federations are headquartered. This step would offer stakeholders additional reassurances that IBA is ready to conduct a fair and democratic election.

Furthermore, we kindly ask you to confirm that the motion to hold a new Presidential election at the announced Extraordinary Congress will require a simple majority to pass and proceed to the election itself.

We remain committed to IBA and its mission “... *to promote, support and govern the sport of boxing worldwide in accordance with the requirements and spirit of the Olympic Charter...*” We look forward to **working with you and all IBA National Federations** to ensure Olympic-style boxing remains in the 2024 Paris Olympic Games and is re-included in the LA 2028 program.

In your corner,

Boris van der Vorst
Dutch Boxing Federation President

Steve Hartley
Boxing New Zealand President

Mike McAtee
USA Boxing Executive Director/CEO

Per-Axel Sjöholm
Swedish Boxing Federation President

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