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CLARIFICATION REGARDING FDSARR

COMPETITION INVITATION

Dear WDSF National Member Bodies,

It has come to our attention that the organisation FDSARR has recently issued invitations to all WDSF Members to participate in competitions under its authority. We would like to take this opportunity to clarify WDSF's position.

As you are aware, FDSARR is no longer a Member of the World DanceSport Federation (WDSF). This decision followed several serious breaches of WDSF values and a continued lack of intention to comply with our regulations — including, but not limited to:

- Failure to implement closed marking and transparent results display.
- Failure to comply with the Neutral Athletes Operating Policy.

Given these circumstances, WDSF cannot support any competitions organised by FDSARR, as we cannot ensure that WDSF rules, standards, and values are respected.

We remind all National Member Bodies that <u>the only recognised WDSF Member in the</u> <u>Russian Federation is RDSU</u> which upholds WDSF's values and regulatory framework.

Taking into account all the above, we reiterate that WDSF and its National Member Bodies cannot support or endorse competitions organised by an organisation that lacks WDSF membership. Instead, we ask you to continue supporting and cooperating with RDSU, the sole WDSF-recognised national federation in the territory of the Russian Federation.

We thank you for your attention to this matter and for your continued commitment to safeguarding the integrity, transparency, and values of DanceSport worldwide.

With Kind regards
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