

## United States Senate

December 15, 2021

Husain Al-Musallam  
President  
Fédération Internationale de Natation  
Chemin de Bellevue 24a/24b  
CH - 1005 Lausanne  
Switzerland

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Gianni Infantino  
President  
Federation Internationale de Football Association  
FIFA Strasse 20,  
P.O Box 8044  
Switzerland

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Annika Sörenstam  
President  
International Golf Federation  
Maison du Sport International  
Av. de Rhodanie 54  
1007 Lausanne  
Switzerland

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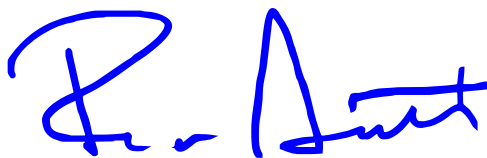
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President  
International Skating Union  
Avenue Juste-Olivier 17  
1006 Lausanne  
Switzerland

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President  
Union Cycliste Internationale  
Allée Ferdi Kübler12  
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Switzerland

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Sebastian Coe  
President  
World Athletics  
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International Ice Hockey Federation  
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Switzerland

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