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Dear Members,

We are pleased to announce that the Amateur Dancesport Association (Singapore) has been renamed as Singapore DanceSport Federation (SGDF) with effect from 13 April 2002. The new name Singapore DanceSport Federation (SGDF) is very apt as it covers a broader scope of dancesports, covering dance sporting activities of all levels.

The Executive Committee (Exco) of the SGDF wish to record its thanks to Mr Ng Geng Whye for his contributions to the ADSA all these years. Mr Ng has earlier submitted this resignation to the Committee as President of the ADSA, to concentrate on his career. With the major changes going on, the SGDF Executive Committee now has a challenging task ahead to formalize some of the association's outstanding policies and measures.

One of the first issue is the 4th Stardust DanceSport Grand Prix 2002, held on 19 May 2002. We noted that the announcement that it was an unregistered competition was made very late. Some of our members were unaware and had taken part in the competitions. These members have since come forth to explain their situation. In view of these circumstances, the Exco has unanimously agreed not to pursue the matter further; instead, a letter of warning will be issued to those who took part.

We would like to take this opportunity to explain the rationale behind strict adherence to the IDSF registered competitions. The IDSF strives hard to promote Dancesport internationally. Over the years, it has set quality standards for both participants as well as adjudicators in all its registered competitions. This system of registration weeds out any unfair treatment to competitors and takes action against prejudice or incompetent judging.

We urge members to adhere strictly to the IDSF rules and regulations. Once the SGDF has formalized the outstanding policies, all information will be accessible via the SGDF website. Members considering participation in any championships must visit the SGDF website to check the IDSF registration status of the championships concern. While the





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SGDF will continue to canvass sponsorships and organize relevant workshops for members, it will not hesitate to take action against members who willfully violate the Federation rules. Members who willfully violate the Federation rules will be dealt by the Disciplinary Committee.

We would also like to highlight that the IDSF only recognizes ranking points awarded by competitions sanctioned by the IDSF or their respective member associations.

We thank you for your continuing support. We look forward to better years ahead with higher recognition and support from the Government; and of course, grooming our members to be the DanceSports ambassadors for Singapore.

Please help to disseminate this information to your dance partner.

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Yours faithfully, Robert Ong Acting President Singapore Dancesport Federation

cc : Excecutive Committee, SGDF