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From: The Ice Hockey Federation of Ukraine
To: Mr. Dr. René Fasel, IIHF President
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Subject: Due hosting 2015 IIHF WMIA in Ukraine

Dear Mr. Dr. René Fasel,

Let me express the sincere gratitude to the global ice hockey family and personally you for the support at the 2014 IIHF Annual Congress in Minsk towards the Ukrainian application to host the 2015 IIHF Ice Hockey World Championship Division I, Group A.

However, I would like to inform you that over the past few weeks our Federation began receiving inquiries from private persons and sports organizations, the pith of the matter was that a large number of hockey fans and family members of the players of the participating Teams would like to attend the Event.

Unfortunately, we cannot be completely protected from the fact that the political tension in the country will not be a serious obstacle for foreign visitors, ice hockey fans and relatives of the players who will want to attend this important Event in Donetsk.

It is of our highest priority in the emerging circumstances, that together with the IIHF, as well as with our colleagues from Italy, Kazakhstan, Japan, Hungary and Poland to find a solution that would suit everyone - from the participants and guests to the commercial partners of the Championship.

For this matter, we take the first step and declare the revocation of our advanced commitments on the hosting 2015 IIHF WMIA in Ukraine.

We hope that this decision will not lead to any sanctions against us by the IIHF and are confident that the Polish Ice Hockey Federation will be considered as the Host of the World Championship at the upcoming 2014 IIHF Semi Annual Congress in Tenerife.

We also count on support of Ukraine by MNAs of the respective participating countries of the upcoming IIHF World Championship, in voting for the future bids to host the IIHF Ice Hockey World Championships in Ukraine.

Thank you for your understanding and support in this matter.

Best regards,

THE ICE HOCKEY FEDERATION OF UKRAINE

Anatoly Brezvin
President