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GENNADIY GOLOVKIN ELECTED FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM

As the only candidate in the running, the Kazakhstani became the World Boxing President on 23 November, succeeding Boris VAN DER VORST. The ANOCA President offered him his heartfelt congratulations, those of the entire African Olympic and Sports Movement, and the warm encouragement of the entire Executive Committee.

Raising his fist in victory on 23 November 2025, Gennadiy GOLOVKIN became the World Boxing President, after standing unopposed. He thus took over from Boris VAN DER VORST and set himself the task of continuing the work carried out by the young international federation, eager to assert its legitimacy within the Olympic Movement.

Speaking on the occasion, World Boxing's acting Secretary General Mike MCATEE thanked the committee for "***its hard work and for providing a list of candidates of the highest calibre, both in terms of experience and skills and in terms of their commitment to the values of integrity, honesty and excellence on which World Boxing is founded.***"

Aged 43, Gennadiy GOLOVKIN, President of NOC Kazakhstan and Chair of the World Boxing Olympic Commission, therefore begins a three-year term and he will be assisted by Ryan O'SHEA,

elected Vice-President. "***It's a privilege to have been elected, but this is just the beginning,***" said GOLOVKIN after the Congress. In a recent interview with Francs Jeux, he cited athletes as his priority. "***We must listen to them and protect them,***" he said. "***The goal is to strengthen boxing ahead of the next Olympic Games. This requires open communication and the participation of athletes and independent voices.***"

In his manifesto, he also mentioned his wish to expand development programmes for young boxers, coaches and referees on every continent, and to make World Boxing "***a modern, respected and innovative federation within the Olympic Movement***."

To:
Mr Gennadiy GOLOVKIN, President, World Boxing

Subject: Congratulations

Mr President,

Your decisive election as President of World Boxing is truly historic. I extend to you my heartfelt congratulations and encouragements, those of the entire ANOCA Executive Committee, and the African Olympic and Sports Movement as a whole.

Your illustrious career as an athlete is a shining example of Olympic values, and your managerial commitment will undoubtedly be enriched by these values, which you embody so well. You have our unwavering support throughout your tenure.

The African Olympic and Sports Movement will stand by you, working hand in glove with World Boxing, as we continue to promote excellence and solidarity in sports.

Yours sincerely,

Honourable
Mustapha Berraf
ANOCA President
IOC Member
Vice President of ANOC
President of the Olympafrica Foundation



3rd World Boxing Congress

FAREWELL TO BORIS VAN DER VORST, OUTGOING PRESIDENT

In his farewell address, the former president expressed his sincere gratitude to boxing officials around the world who worked tirelessly alongside him for their trust and cooperation.

"Today in Rome, at the 3rd World Boxing Congress, I delivered my farewell speech as President of WORLD BOXING. As the founder and pioneer elected president, I had the honour of leading the organisation through the most challenging period in its history, from establishing an international federation to protect Olympic dreams of boxers, to gaining provisional recognition from the IOC and securing the place of boxing in the Olympic family.



Throughout those years, it was always about the boxers. My main goal was to give them the opportunity to compete at the highest level of Olympic boxing, ensuring transparent governance and fair competition. And I truly believe that we have built a strong and lasting foundation for the future. I trust the new leadership will continue working with the same passion and commitment to secure a bright future for our sport.

I would like to sincerely thank the boxing leaders across the globe who worked tirelessly alongside me. When, three years ago, I invited many of you to the Netherlands to initiate change in our sport, some believed it was impossible. But we proved otherwise, together. Thank you for your trust and partnership. I wish you all continued success on your journey in boxing.

And of course, my deepest gratitude goes to my dear family, to my wife Ingeborg and our daughters Nevel, Teddy and Guusje. Thank you for your unwavering support throughout this journey, for your understanding when I missed important moments in your lives, and for standing beside me from the founding of World Boxing to the first Congress in Cologne and now the third here in Rome.

It is a great honour to forever carry the title of founder and pioneer President of World Boxing. It means the world to me. Boxing is back, my friends, and we made it happen together."



NOC Cameroon

35 ATHLETES PARTICIPATE IN IOC ATHLETE POWER-UP WORKSHOP

The two-day meeting organised by the Athletes' Commission was a great success, with participants from all 10 regions of the country.





"It was a great pleasure to host the IOC Athlete Power-Up workshop in Yaounde, Cameroon." These were the words used by Mrs Odette ASSEMBE, IOC member and Vice President of NOC Cameroon, to express her satisfaction at the end of this successful two-day event, which was attended by 35 highly committed athletes representing the 10 regions of the country and various sports disciplines.

The workshop was exceptionally organised by the Athletes' Commission, under the leadership of its Chair Victoire Ngon Ntame, whose remarkable efforts ensured the smooth running of the programme.

The sessions were officially opened and closed by Mrs Odette ASSEMBE, IOC Member and Vice President of the NOC, highlighting the high-level institutional support given to athlete development. Participants were actively engaged, demonstrating great enthusiasm throughout the training sessions.

Botswana

LAUNCHES 2025 NATIONAL ATHLETES' FORUM



Botswana NOC (BNOC) officially launched the 2025 National Athletes' Forum on 27 November 2025, marking the start of a two-day event dedicated to empowering and building the capacities of the country's athletes.

Organised under themes such as anti-doping, athlete safeguarding and preparing for life after sport, the meeting began with an introduction by Mr Obakeng NGWIGWA, followed by a welcome address by the Acting President of BNOC, Mr Michael MOROKA, and a general presentation of the Athletes' Commission by Mrs Tracy CHABA-DISANG. The highlight of the morning was the keynote address by BNSC President Mr Marumo MORULE, who reminded athletes that this Forum is much more than a workshop. It is a framework for growing, learning and preparing for life during and after a sporting career.

He addressed key topics such as anti-doping, athlete safeguarding, integrity of competitions, mental health, financial literacy and preparation for life after sport, emphasising that an informed athlete is a stronger athlete. He concluded his message with a powerful reminder: "***Botswana believes in you***."

The Acting Director General of BNOC, Mr Modisa MOSWEU, gave the closing remarks as the ceremony ended with a group photo, bringing to a close a Forum that will continue on 27 to 28 December 2025, paving the way for informed, resilient and future-ready athletes.

The opening ceremony



was followed by Session 1 of the National Athletes' Forum in the afternoon. It was informative and focused on strengthening athletes' sporting careers and support systems. The session featured presentations on Programmes for athletes provided by BNOC and BNSC.

Mr Modise MGADLA from BNOC presented the main support structures available to athletes, including development pathways, opportunities for international exposure and initiatives to strengthen their preparation for elite competitions.

This first session gave athletes a better understanding of the resources available to them, as well as the collaborative commitment of both institutions to their progress. Session 2 followed, with more fruitful and exciting discussions.

Dedicated to the central theme of anti-doping, Session 3, moderated by Mr Tiroyaone OTIMILE, featured a panel discussion with Mrs Ntebogang KHUBAMANG from NADCO and athlete representative Mrs Lethabo SEKANO, who provided a comprehensive perspective from the athletes' point of view, highlighting the fears, misconceptions and common difficulties associated with complying with anti-doping regulations.

The session was highly interactive, featuring a lively question-and-answer session where athletes voiced their key concerns, seeking to better understand testing procedures, Therapeutic Use Exemptions (TUEs), and other key elements of anti-doping compliance.

By combining technical expertise and feedback from athletes, the session underscored the importance of integrity, vigilance and responsibility in modern sport, ensuring that Botswana's athletes are informed, empowered and confident in addressing anti-doping issues.



CNOSCA

GILLES GILBERT GREZENGET RE-ELECTED FOR FOUR YEARS

On 15 November 2025, NOC Central African Republic (CNOSCA) voted a new executive committee during a General Assembly marked by unanimous agreement, capped by the re-election of the outgoing president, the only candidate in the running, who received a letter of congratulations from the ANOCA President Mustapha BERRAF.

The event took place in the CNOSCA multipurpose hall, chaired by Mr Fidèle NGOUANDJIKA, Minister-Special Adviser to the President of the Republic in charge of National Organisations. Two items were on the agenda: presentation of the activity report for the term of office and setting up of the new committee.

Minister-special Adviser, who opened the deliberations of this general assembly, announced to the audience that the President of the Republic, Head of State, Mr Faustin Archange TOUADÉRA, in his capacity as an honorary Olympic medallist, is committed to sport development in his country. He personally instructed him to attend the meeting and report back to him. Probably for ancillary measures!

The address was followed by the presentation of a

report by the Secretary General, Guy Armand BENINGA BALCILIA, who stood for re-election. Mrs Cécile Digo KOLINGBA, Executive Director of CNOSCA, presented the financial report on behalf of the Treasurer General, Barrister MANDEDJAPOU, who was unavoidably absent. This was followed by the candidate validation phase.

At short notice, the Candidate Validation Commission convened and reviewed profiles of valid and disputed applications. The Commission had received over ten election applications, but only ten were shortlisted for seven open positions.

Thus, the Electoral Commission was allowed to proceed with the election of EXCO members. The team defined the rules of the game in respect of the electorate.

The re-election of Gilles Gilbert GREZENGET reaffirmed the confidence placed by the Central African sporting community in a leader considered as one of the major architects of the modernisation of the National Olympic Movement. Since taking over as head of



CNOSCA, GREZENGET has multiplied initiatives on sports governance, international influence, and sports development across the country.

The new executive board, composed of men and women from several sports disciplines, will be responsible for providing more support for federations, improving athlete preparation and consolidating CNOSCA relations with the IOC and technical and financial partners.

Official composition of the CNOSCA Executive Board

President: **Gilles Gilbert GREZENGET**
First Vice President: **Ihon Loutomo KOTOKE**
Second Vice President: **Frédéric BERNARD**
Third Vice President: **Robert Pong BALLET**
Fourth Vice President: **Rachel NGAKOLA**
Secretary General: **Guy Aramand BALCILIA**
Treasurer: **Olivier Christian MOBAYA**

A mandate with lofty ambitions

Over the next four years, the EXCO intends to prioritise:

- **Promoting Olympic values among young people;**
- **Training technical and administrative staff;**
- **Building appropriate infrastructure.**

To
Mr Gilles Gilbert GRESENGUET, President of NOC
Central African Republic

Subject: Congratulations

Mr President and dear brother,

It is with great pleasure that we convey our sincere congratulations on your brilliant re-election as President of NOC Central African Republic. All ANOCA EXCO members also express their full satisfaction.

Your track record in promoting sport and Olympism in your country and in Africa attests to the relevance of your actions, which have once again been rewarded.

ANOCA reassures you of its support in the fulfilment of your duties. The sporting youth of the Central African Republic are in expert and visionary hands with you.

May the Almighty God accompany you in this mission to make sport a vehicle for peace and development!

Fraternally yours.

Honourable
Mustapha Berraf
ANOCA President
IOC Member
Vice President of ANOC
President of the Olympafrica Foundation

FINAL COMMUNIQUÉ BY THE ELECTIVE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The CNOSCA Elective General Assembly took place on 15 November 2025 at the Jacob Betti Conference Room, under the most distinguished patronage of the President of the Republic, Professor Faustin-Archange TOUADÉRA, represented by his Special Adviser in charge of National Organisations, Mr Fidele Ngouandjika. The meeting was a major milestone for sports governance in the Central African Republic.

During the Assembly, speakers reiterated the role of the Olympic Committee in promoting the values of Olympic solidarity, peace, tranquillity and cohesion among federations, thereby contributing to promoting peace among young people. The moment was described as crucial, marking a transition between generations of this flagship institution. There are high expectations for the future of CNOSCA, with a strong desire to strengthen its role in the national sports landscape.

It was reiterated that national sports federations are responsible for athlete preparation, while CNOSCA would provide support at the Olympic Games. The government must support these federations tasked with selecting, training and coaching top athletes to achieve IOC minimum standards. Technical managers and coaches will play an essential role in coaching.

Participants discussed election reality, highlighting that, as in any electoral process, having diverging opinions is normal, but preserving the unity of the sports movement, while respecting democratic expression and the choice of the majority is paramount. In the presence of 21 electoral bodies from various federations, the Electoral Commission conducted the vote which saw the victory of Mr Gilles Gilbert GRÉZENGUE as President, with Yvon Loutomo KOUTOUKE (First Vice President), Frédéric BERNARD (Second Vice President), Robert POMBALLÉ (Third Vice President), Ms Rachel NGAKOLA (Fourth Vice President), Guy Armand Balsila BENINGA (Secretary General) and Olivier MOUBAÏA (Treasurer). The new board was elected with 100% of the votes cast. Officials welcomed this unanimous vote of confidence as a testament to the importance of the mission entrusted to them.

The new president pointed out that this term of office will take the country to the Olympic Games Los Angeles 2028, requiring immediate preparation. CNOSCA also intends to participate, starting in December, in the African Youth Games in Luanda, Angola, followed by the Youth Olympic Games, which will take place for the first time on Africa soil, in Dakar, Senegal, with a clear ambition to unite the entire Olympic family and consolidate peace in the country by bringing back those who have strayed from the movement to ensure cohesion and unity.

The EXCO emphasised that, as in any family, there are disagreements, but what matters most is coming together and fostering Olympic values. The General Assembly took place in a spirit of fraternity, camaraderie and harmony, demonstrating a shared desire to move forward. Everyone was urged to set a good example for young people and consolidate national peace, including during the country's upcoming elections.

The media was called upon to fully play its role as a vector of peace and cohesion. CNOSCA officials stressed the importance of spreading a positive and constructive message among the people the Central African Republic.

They also expressed the desire to reach out to those who are still unfamiliar with the workings of the Olympic Movement and reintegrate them into the national sports family. They intend to leverage their actions to build a better and more peaceful Central African Republic. Sport is considered as a major tool for restoring peace to the country, which has experienced considerable turmoil.

To strengthen collaboration with the media, CNOSCA expressed its intention to train journalists in Olympism, with a view to continuing their joint and harmonious work. Election of the new board showed a renewed commitment to a more effective sports structure in the Central African Republic, in a spirit of peace, institutional development and performance.

Commonwealth Sport

DR DONALD RUKARE, PRESIDENT-ELECT OF THE FEDERATION

Dr Donald RUKARE, an experienced sports leader and human rights lawyer from Uganda, was elected as the first President from the Africa region at the Commonwealth General Assembly in Glasgow. This feat earned him warm congratulations from ANOCA President Mustapha BERRAF and his EXCO.



As the pioneer President from Africa, Donald RUKARE takes office at a pivotal moment for the Movement, with excitement building ahead of an action-packed Glasgow 2026 Games and Amdavad, India, confirmed as the host city of the landmark Centenary Games in 2030.

Mr RUKARE brings over 30 years of experience across sport, law, diplomacy and development. He has served as a World Aquatics Board Member and Vice President Africa Aquatics, as well as Vice President of Commonwealth Sport, President of Commonwealth Games Uganda, and, most recently, Interim President of Commonwealth Sport. His election reflects the confidence of the 74 member nations and territories in his vision for a united, athlete-centred and strategically progressive CS Movement.

In his manifesto, RUKARE pledged to put athletes at the heart of Commonwealth Sport and to advance the "***Games Reset***" project, designed to enable a wide range of diverse nations to host the Games sustainably. His priorities include strengthening support for member CGAs; expanding flagship programmes like GAPS, which promotes



inclusive sports pathways, and eqUIP, which nurtures youth leaders across the Commonwealth. He also emphasised the importance of fostering strategic partnerships and engaging new fans around the globe.

Reacting to his election, Dr Donald Rukare said he was deeply honoured by the trust placed in him by the Commonwealth Sports family. He thanked the membership for their support and pledged to serve with integrity, passion and transparency. "***Together, we will build on the momentum of Glasgow 2026, showcase the next generation of stars at the Malta 2027 Commonwealth Youth Games and prepare for an inspiring centenary Games in India in 2030,***" he underscored, noting that athletes deserve every opportunity to shine, and that he is fully committed to ensuring that Commonwealth Sport remains athlete-centred and a force for unity, excellence, and impact across all our regions.

Katie SADLEIR, CEO of Commonwealth Sport, added:

«***On behalf of CS, I warmly congratulate Donald on his election. His bold and collaborative leadership comes at a crucial time for our Movement, as we embrace transformation and prepare for milestone Games in Glasgow and Amdavad. Donald's commitment to sustainable development and the values that unite our diverse family align perfectly with the vision laid out in our 'Commonwealth United Strategic' Plan.***»

Dr RUKARE was congratulated by the Eswatini Olympic and Commonwealth Games Association, which said it looks forward to continuing constructive collaboration under his leadership. Africa is on the rise, and East Africa is at the centre of this momentum.

He becomes the first African to hold this position, just nine months after Kirsty COVENTRY of Zimbabwe was elected as the first IOC President from Africa. For the first time, the world's two largest multisport movements have African leaders at their helm, a reminder that everything is possible.

To:
Dr. Donald RUKARE
Commonwealth Sport President

Subject: Congratulations

Mr President, dear brother,

We received with great joy the news of your election as Commonwealth Sport President. On behalf of the entire ANOCA Executive Committee and on my personal behalf, I hereby extend to you our sincere congratulations.

This election confirms, if need be, your exceptional leadership, wealth of experience, and unwavering commitment to promoting Olympic values. The entire African Olympic and Sports Movement is proud of your achievement, recognising your outstanding contributions to elite sports management.

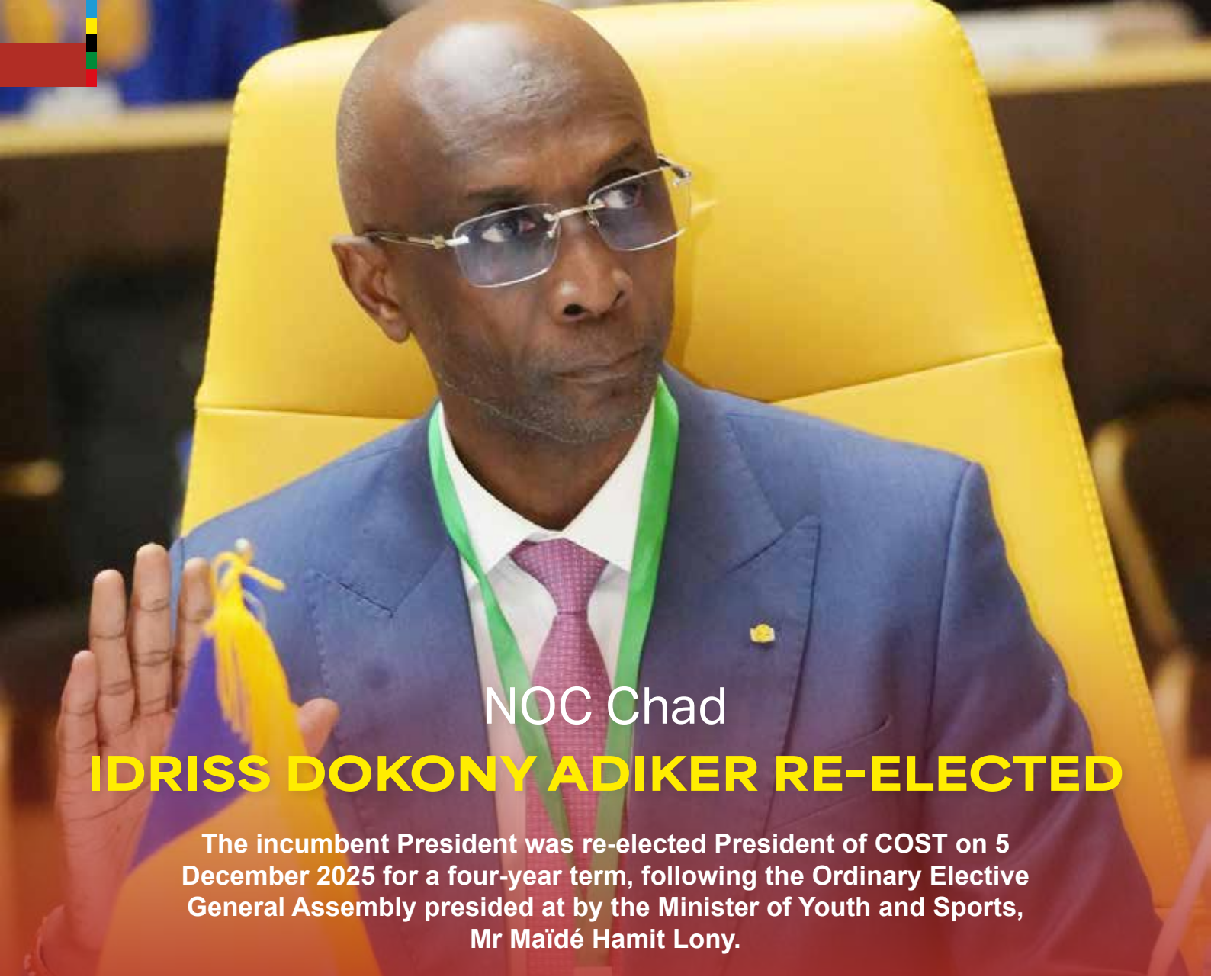
As you embark on this new journey, we wish you every success and remain confident that you are up to the task and will make a lasting impact. You have our full support and encouragement. May this new assignment be a great success and bring you satisfaction and fulfilment.

Fraternally,

Honourable
Mustapha Berraf
ANOCA President
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NOC Chad

IDRISS DOKONY ADIKER RE-ELECTED

The incumbent President was re-elected President of COST on 5 December 2025 for a four-year term, following the Ordinary Elective General Assembly presided at by the Minister of Youth and Sports, Mr Maïdé Hamit Lony.

Presided at by Chad's Minister of Youth and Sports, Mr Maïdé Hamit Lony, deliberations of the Ordinary Elective General Assembly of NOC Chad (COST) held in N'Djamena on 5 December 2025 concluded with the re-elected of the incumbent, Idriss Dokony Adiker. This resounding victory was welcomed ANOCA President, Mustapha Berraf, who offered his sincere congratulations and the encouragement of the entire ANOCA Executive Committee.

In his closing remarks, the Minister congratulated participants on the quality of the discussions and the maturity that had guided the deliberations. He welcomed the re-election of the President of COST, Mr Idriss Dokony Adiker, confirmed by a transparent and consensual vote, marked by an atmosphere of responsibility and commitment. Emphasising that this continuity at the helm of COST is a guarantee of stability for the development of national sport, the minister also welcomed the regular holding of this statutory meeting, which reflects the NOC's desire to ensure that its actions are based on transparency and good governance in the long term.

He also recalled the importance of these meetings, which provide

an opportunity to take stock of the past term of office, while defining new guidelines designed to give fresh impetus to the Chadian sports movement. The Minister also reaffirmed the Government's commitment, under the enlightened vision of Marshal Mahamat Idriss Deby Itno, President of the Republic and Head of State, to promoting sport as a vehicle for national cohesion and influence.

In a solemn appeal, he called on all federations to strictly comply with their constitutions and encouraged COST, as the governing body, to continue its role in promoting exemplary governance. Finally, the Minister urged stakeholders to continue acting with commitment, wisdom and sense of excellence, so that the General Assembly recommendations would translate into a new dynamic for the promotion of Chadian sport nationally and internationally.

To
Mr Idriss Dokony Adiker, President of NOC Chad

Subject: Congratulations

Mr President, dear brother,

Following your recent re-elected as President of the Chad National Olympic and Sports Committee, I extend to you my sincere congratulations and the encouragements of the entire ANOCA Executive Committee.

Your actions in promoting sport and Olympic values in Chad in particular and in Africa in general are an invaluable asset to the African Olympic and Sports Movement.

The 2025-2028 quadrennial will benefit from your wealth of experience, together with all other high-level contributions that will contribute to the implementation of your action plans.

Mr President and dear brother,

The youths of Chad and Africa are counting on you to put African sport at the forefront. You can count on ANOCA's support in the discharge of your duties.

May Almighty God be with you during this new term of office.

Fraternally.

Honourable
Mustapha Berraf
ANOCA President
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