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FOR THE ATTENTION OF:
FISU Member Associations

FROM:
Eric Saintrond – FISU Secretary General/CEO

Lausanne, 14 July 2020
Ref: SG/ESa-PSO/2020-70243

Re: 2020 World University Championships - cancellations

Dear Member Associations,

Through this letter, we would like to inform you of the status of the remaining World University Championships for the year 2020. Since the beginning of the sanitary crisis, FISU has done its best to protect all athletes and participants of its events. This year has proven to be very challenging in many aspects of our daily life and has had many consequences in the world of sports.

Following discussions that were held between FISU and the Organising Committees of the 2020 World University Championships, the situation was reported to the last FISU Steering Committee that took place on Monday, 13 July.

As a result, we would like to hereby confirm the cancellation of the following 2020 World University Championships:

- **Weightlifting** from 20 to 24 October in Gangjin (KOR)
- **Wrestling** from 27 October to 1 November in Nizhny Novgorod (RUS)
- **Badminton** from 16 to 22 November in Bangkok (THA)

Although the WUC cancellations have not been an easy decision to make, the recent updates have shown us that we must remain cautious and not take any risk as to the organisation of events.

Moreover, after careful analysis and discussion with the International Federations and Continental University Sports Federations, the FISU Steering Committee decided that, given the tight 2021 international sports calendar, no 2020 World University Championship will be postponed to next year. As you are well aware, many international



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sports competitions will take place next year as well as the FISU World University Games Winter and Summer and other events of ours, which makes the possibility of postponement extremely complex.

We would like to thank you for your continued contribution to the University Sports Movement and remain at your entire disposal for any question you may have.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'E. Saintrond', with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Eric Saintrond
FISU Secretary General/CEO

Copy: *FISU Executive Committee*
World University Championships Department