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To:
Weightlifting Federation of Azerbaijan
President
Chief Executive Officer

Dear Isgandar,

The Azerbaijan Weightlifting Federation quickly became a strong pillar of the International Weightlifting Federation with the leadership of President Asgarov and under your management as Chief Executive.

I wish to inform you in confidentially of the following:

In my opinion your federation does not feel the weight and pressure that you are under and the responsibility this entails.

Kindly ask you to treat this letter with utmost discretion since the subject we have to discuss is very sensitive and needs careful consideration.

In 2013 there were 23 positive cases among your athletes related to 18 athletes, whereas 5 athletes are concerned twice.

This important issue is not only a concern for the IWF Secretariat but also WADA is aware of the samples, without name and nationality.

The IWF however shall report to WADA to name, country and sanction related to each sample code number.

There is a standardized control system for the entire sport world therefore there is no way for the IWF to cover up these cases.

What we have done for your athletes and Federation is something the IWF has never done before and not willing or able to do in the future. The knot tightens around my neck and my 45 years work could go down in a blink.

The IWF keeps receiving reminders from WADA related to all 23 cases and sooner or later an answer shall be given.

Dear Friend,

From the 1st January of next year the IWF will not be able to assist in any such or similar matters.

At the moment my biggest concern is when and what the IWF shall report to WADA related to the 23 cases and what names will be listed behind the cases.

Since we have received two warnings from WADA already, I am only able to postpone this matter until the end of this year and I need to provide some answers.

I have shared this matter with Mr. Jahangir Asgarov on our last meeting and at the office only Dr. Ungar is aware of the cases and this should remain the case.

Kindly ask you to have this letter translated for you by Mirzamed or Zaur and following delete it from your emails and destroy it completely.

Following, I am looking forward to your response to be able to resolve this matter as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,



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