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RE: Officiating Nominations, 2018 IFAF U-19 World Championships Mexico City, Mexico... July 10-20, 2018

IFAF Member Nations,

As you know the 2018 IFAF U-19 World Championship will be held this July in Mexico City (Mexico). Six Federations will be represented in this prestigious event. As the IFAF & Americas officiating chairman, I will be working with the regional chairman &/or officiating leadership from Asia, Europe/Africa & Oceania, in selecting the twenty-four officials who will officiate the tournament.

Participating Federations should nominate and support a minimum of two officials. Your Federation may nominate and financially support officials from your Federation even though you many not have a team playing in this tournament. In nominating an official or officials, the Federation not only supports the officiating qualifications of the official, but **must financially support** the official(s) for their transportation, housing & food costs associated with the tournament. Federations will arrange and pay directly the airfare costs associated with travel to Mexico City for the nominated official(s). A Federation's financial commitment is airfare to Mexico City (MEX), plus a ground package fee for housing/food. The ground package covers airport transfers, dormitory housing and a meal plan for the tournament. This ground package fee will be billed your Federation by the host Mexico. Officials should <u>NOT</u> incur nor be expected to pay for these expenses.

**The closing date for nominations to IFAF is April 1, 2018**. At that time I will work with the regional officiating chairman in the selection of officials to fill the allotted slots. On May 1<sup>st,</sup> IFAF will announce the staff of officials for the tournament so that travel arrangements can be made and pre-tournament planning and training can begin.

We strongly encourage your Federation to consider the financial support and nomination of a minimum of two (2) qualified official. Not only is this an investment in the official participating in the tournament but a huge investment in training resources that can be shared back home with all officials in your Federation. In order for the entire IFAF program to continue in its growth, it is important that Federations dedicate resources in the education and finances to their officiating community. Again, we will not accept nominations unless the Federation financially supports the official. We will not accept nominations directly from officials nor accept their willingness to pay their own expenses.

In submitting names for consideration please provide the following information:

Officials Full Name: First & Last Name Federation/Country Email Address Telephone/Cellular Name/Federation Title of the Nominating Individual At least two of the following preferred officiating positions:

- \_\_\_\_ Referee
- \_\_\_ Umpire
- \_\_\_ Center Judge
- \_\_\_ Back Judge
- \_\_\_ Short Wing (HL/LJ)
- \_\_\_ Deep (SJ, FJ)

Federations and officials are reminded that officials must be able to speak fluent English, as that is the accepted/required language for the officials to communicate in.

The nominations should be submitted directly to me at the email addresses provided above. I will forward the nominating information to the appropriate regional officiating chairman and to Andy Fuller (IFAF Managing Director), and Jorge Orobio (Mexico). Again, the deadline for submitting nominations from your IFAF Federation is April 1, 2018.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this process. We look forward to hearing from you on or before April 1<sup>st</sup>.

Respectfully,

## Bill LeMonnier

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Cc: Aki Takakura, Asia Frank Kristensen, Europe/Africa David Sinclair, Oceania Davey Parsons BAFRA Jim Briggs, Rules Editor

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#1. Official's Name:				
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Telephone:				
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