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SUBJECT: WKSF vs IOC

SUBJECT: Guatemala Membership and Athletes at WKSF Events

Under the sport guidelines of IOC for 2023, the WKSF follow it carefully by own responsibility.

The actual suspension by IOC of NOC Guatemala took place at 15th october of 2022. After the March 2022 NOC elections, the Constitutional Court of Guatemala decided, in August 2022, to suspend provisionally a number of provisions of the NOC's Statutes and Regulations. Without any clear reason, the decision brought to IOC a decision to take.

Suspension of the NOC of Guatemala

"The EB received a full update on the situation of the NOC of Guatemala. It was reminded that, further to the NOC elections that successfully took place in March 2022 in accordance with the IOC-approved NOC Statutes and the Olympic Charter, the Constitutional Court of Guatemala decided, in August 2022, to provisionally suspend a number of provisions of the NOC's Statutes and Regulations, relating in particular to the NOC election process, for unclear reasons, despite the warnings sent by the IOC reiterating that the NOC must be able to operate in accordance with its Statutes and the Olympic Charter. The Court's decision was immediately challenged by the NOC."

Actual Situation and Guatemala at 2024 Olympic Games

The information at 23rd July is that doesn't exist any developments and the decision to invite the NOC of Guatemala is not in discussion.

WKSF POSTITION?

The WKSF didn't receive any Guatemala Candidature to become official WKSF Member, our WKSF North/Central America also didn't receive any official candidature. However, under the WKSF Statutes, it is acceptable any individual athlete from Guatemala to request to participate at any WKSF event.



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Taking the actual information of NOC of Guatemala suspension, knowing that it is a burocratic issue and not a violation of any Human Rights, the WKSF understand that an individual athlete of Guatemala, that wish to understand more about Kettlebell Sport, get more experience, knowledge and promote the sport in Guatemala is welcome to any WKSF event.

To promote our sport, the WKSF accept any Guatemala sport organization to become official member or any athlete with Guatemala Passport to participate at WKSF 2023 Events.

The President,

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