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**Situation of the FAF**

Dear General Secretary,

We refer to the legal proceedings before local courts pertaining to the stay of execution on the results of the last elective Congress of the FAF held on 14 November 2020. In particular, we acknowledge receipt of your letter of 28 January 2021 by means of which we understand that the FAF has appealed before the Supreme Court of Angola against the first-instance judgment that confirmed the relevant stay of execution.

In this respect, we would like to remind you that according to art. 14 par. 1 lit. i) and art. 19 par. 1 of the FIFA Statutes, all member associations of FIFA, including the FAF, are obliged to manage their affairs independently and without undue influence from third parties, including government authorities. Any breach of this obligation may lead to sanctions as provided for in the FIFA Statutes, which may also include the suspension of the member association. In addition, any violations of art. 14 par. 1 lit. i) of the FIFA Statutes may also lead to sanctions, even if the third-party influence was not the fault of the member association concerned (cf. art. 14 par. 3 of FIFA Statutes).

Bearing in mind the above, we would like to highlight that should the newly elected FAF executive committee be impeded from taking office any further as a result of a final decision by the Supreme Court deemed to constitute undue third-party interference, FIFA will have no other choice but to refer the matter to its competent decision-making bodies for consideration and decision, which might include the suspension of the FAF.

We thank you for taking note of the above and we kindly ask you to keep us updated on any development in this matter.

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