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To the Members of the FCI Committee Director

Dear Sport Friends, Dear Members of the FCI Board,

The COVID-19 pandemic made also a strange situation for the pigeon sport.

In the last 6 month the most important task was to save the life of the people everywhere in the world.

Each continent, each country makes a big effort to stop the virus.

We can see that we are on the good way, but we understand, it is not finished because we don't have a vaccine yet.

In these circumstances the pigeon sport suffers a severe loss everywhere in the world.

The fanciers had races nowhere, we didn't have a chance to organize or have races.

The first ray of hope in the pigeon sport is the success of the organization of the FCI World Championship in Arad, Romania and the FCI European Championship in Mira, Portugal.

We can really be happy to know, that all FCI Grand Prix OLR-s are working, have pigeons, and start the training soon. Great thanks to the owners, to the managers and to the national federations.

In Europe several national federations started the season, training and competition flights in May and in June; other federations can only organize training flights.

You can check the information about the situation in the different countries on the FCI website: <https://pigeonsfci.org/>. New received information is published on the FCI website within 2 hours.

The members of the FCI board examined the situation in the pigeon sport and have sent us their opinion regarding the next events of FCI.

Concerning the Olympiad in Romania:

11 board members believe it is necessary to postpone the Olympiad to January 2022,

2 members believe that it is necessary that the next Olympiad should take place in January 2021,

1 member believes that it is too early to make a decision at this moment.

Taking this into account, we can conclude that the Committee Director of FCI has decided to postpone the XXVII Olympiad to January 2022 in Romania.

I propose that for the Olympiad in January 2022 in Romania, the rankings from the races in the seasons 2019 and 2021 will be used for the Sport and Standard categories.

In this way everyone will be given equal sporting opportunities.

Connecting to the World Championship final race / 30th of September, Arad, Romania/
we are planning to organize a forum for the fanciers. The agenda of the forum will be sent later.

Connecting to the FCI Grand Prix in Mira 23-25 October 2020, we would like to hold a board meeting.
I wish and hope that everybody from the board will be able to participate at this meeting.

We plan to organize the FCI Congress in January 2021. The exact date and place we can fix later, and we have time to decide about the method of the meeting / personal presence or online/

The World Best Pigeon 2020 will be organized, based on the rankings of the races 2020.

Now the FCI leadership and the leaders of the national federations need to reorganize a post-COVID-19 pigeon sport;
we need to find out how we can return to the traditional way of the pigeon sport.

The virus and the pandemic made us realize, that we aren't alone, that we support each other, and that the solidarity between the fanciers and the leaders of the federations is very strong in our sport!

Without any reaction of the Board members before 31/5/2020, we will inform all the federations of the decision to postpone the Olympiad to January 2022.

Best regards,



Istvan BARDOS
President FCI

