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Direction of the Portuguese Badminton Federation

Date: March 2nd 2020

Subject: Cancellation of the 55th Portuguese International Championships 2020

Dear sirs,

Portuguese Health Authorities carried out a risk assessment, in the light of the scientific knowledge to date and referring to the infectious disease COVID-19, and after consultation with them, it was concluded that any containment measures that could be adopted to reduce the risk of spreading the disease would not provide sufficient guarantees to reduce the danger of disease transmission.

In view of the above, all aspects related to this disease, which should be underlined, have been increasing in the number of cases outside the territory of the Republic of China, Portuguese Health Authorities, due the number of players and countries in the 55 Portuguese International Championships 2020, recommend that the event should be cancelled / postponed.

Due these developments, Portuguese Badminton Federation is obliged to take Portuguese Health Authorities recommendation to cancel the 55thPortuguese International Champions 2020, that would take place in Caldas da Rainha between 5 and 8 March.

This decision, which came to the attention of the Portuguese Federation last night, although difficult, is extremely necessary to ensure the safety of all participants and particularly the population in general.

Best regards,

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