Follow-up Committee on the Manipulation of Sports Competitions (T-MC)

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3rd meeting (11-12 October 2021)

List of Decisions

Adoption of the agenda

The Committee adopted the agenda of the meeting as appended.

Report of the second meeting

The Committee adopted the report of its second meeting, to be published on the dedicated webpage.

Action Plan 2022-2025

The Committee adopted its Action Plan for 2022-2025 which focuses on increasing the number of Parties to the Convention, supporting its implementation and advancing cooperation between the main stakeholders both at national and international levels.

Advisory Group – draft Rules of Procedures

The Committee took note of the forthcoming meeting of the Advisory Group (22 November 2021) and entrusted its Chair to confirm the composition of the Advisory Group ahead of its first meeting (draft rules of procedure to be adopted by the Advisory Group, which in respect of the composition will have to be re-examined prior the expiry of the 18 months "transition").

Sports Organisations (Articles 3.2 and 31.2 of the Macolin Convention)

In compliance with Article 31.2 of the Macolin Convention, the Committee adopted the first version of the list of "sports organisations", to be published on the dedicated webpage of the Committee, taking into account that the list is dynamic and can be updated on a regular basis or whenever considered necessary.

State of signatures and ratifications

The Committee approved the document titled "Legal and Operational implications of the proposal by Malta" and approved the elements to be communicated to the Committee of Ministers in respect of Recommendation 2178 (2020) of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe. It furthermore invited its Chair to convey the Committee's call for a prompt ratification of the Convention by EU member states and make the appropriate contacts in this respect.

Exchange of information – data protection

The Committee supported the adoption of the Macolin Data Protection Principles jointly with the Committee of Convention 108, and decided to pursue this important work, providing further guidance on the implementation at operational level of the data protection principles, in specific case studies touching for instance upon the regime of international data transfers, or the sharing of information between stakeholders.

Monitoring: possible approaches, checklist and templates

The Committee took note of the work undertaken in respect of the Saint-Denis Convention on an Integrated Safety, Security and Service Approach at Football Matches and Other Sports Events and instructed its Bureau to further develop the monitoring orientations, checklist and template of self-assessment with a view to the launch of a first pilot exercise in 2022.

Information on KCOOS+ and FLAGS

The Committee welcomed the activities carried out in the context of the KCOOS+ project, as well as of the advancement of the FLAGS project implemented by the Council of Europe with the support of FIFA.

Observers

The Committee took note of the information and updates provided by the observers (GLMS, FIFA, Interpol, IOC, and UEFA) and reaffirmed its decision to resume consideration of pending requests (EU Athletes and IBIA) once more Parties will have joined the Convention.

Next meetings

The Committee took note of the dates of the next Bureau meeting (9 December) and first meeting of the Advisory Group ('Group of Copenhagen', 22 November). The 4th meeting of the T-MC will be held in spring 2022, the precise dates will be communicated at a later stage.

APPENDIX – AGENDA

I. Opening of the meeting

- 1. Welcome words on behalf of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe
- 2. Adoption of the agenda
- 3. Information by the Secretariat
- 4. Action Plan 2022-2025

II. Standard setting and legal issues

- 5. Advisory Group draft Rules of Procedures
- 6. 'Sports Organisations' (Articles 3.2 and 31.2 of the Macolin Convention)
- 7. Update on the state of signatures and ratifications
- 8. Exchange of information data protection

III. Monitoring

- 9. Presentation of possible approaches and checklist
- 10. Draft template of national reports

IV. International cooperation

- 11. Information on KCOOS+ and FLAGS
- 12. Observers

V. Closing of the meeting

- 13. Any other business
- 14. Dates of future meetings
- 15. Closing of the meeting