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To: Dr Delane Lim,
Tchoukball Association of Singapore

Dear Dr Lim,

Thank you for your email. We wish you and the federations copied herein a very Happy New Year.

I will refer to the points made in Mr Mark Sum's letter in my response below:

Firstly, I confirm receipt of your presidential nomination from the National Federation of Singapore and associated letter of support from the Tchoukball General Association of Macao, China. Singapore is a Full Member of the FITB and provided payment for the 2025 subscriptions is paid by 31 March 2025, will be in good standing and a legitimate proposer. We also note the approval of Singapore for membership of the proposed Executive Committee, though there is no specific FITB Bylaw requiring this.

The Bylaws of the FITB were revised for 2023 and accepted by its members in our General Assembly of the same year. The FITB is aware that they still require modifications to avoid ambiguities such as the ones presented to us in your letter and should form part of an ongoing review of all regulations. We acknowledge the confusion arising from articles 24.7 and 27.8 and appreciate the call to clarify this.

The regulating articles in the Bylaws to prohibit simultaneous chairing of a National Federation or Continental Federation and the FITB are designed to prevent a conflict of interests with both leadership positions, as well as ensuring the candidate has enough time and energy for both roles. It would apply to Singapore as a National Federation and the Asia-Pacific Tchoukball Federation (APTBF) as a Continental Federation. It does not, however, apply to the Southeast Asian Tchoukball Federation as this falls in the remit of the APTBF, so you could continue as President of that organisation.

Article 24.7 specifically refers to a period of 1 month before taking office and refers to "The newly elected FITB President and Executive Committee". Article 27.9 refers to the "Newly elected FITB Committee Members". It is very clear to me that Article 24.7 is the true intention of the Bylaws as the entire article is devoted to the procedure and process of the election of a new President. Previous changes of administration have also respected the

month's handover before officially taking office: President Fang in 2017 and President Huang in 2009 and 2021 so there is clear precedent for interpreting the Bylaws in this way.

I can, therefore, confirm your proposed actions meet the requirement, spirit and precedent set by the FITB Bylaws.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard Jackson', written in a cursive style.

Richard Jackson
FITB Vice-President

31 December 2024

To:

FITB/TBAS/APTBF/SEATBF

Cc: Sport Singapore

Singapore National Olympic Council

Continental & National Federations

Dear Leaders & Colleagues

Letter of Intent to Stand as Candidate of FITB President

I am writing to formally declare my intent to stand as a candidate for the position of President of the International Federation of Tchoukball (FITB) in the upcoming election.

Throughout my journey as President of the Tchoukball Association of Singapore (TBAS), I have been dedicated to promoting and advancing the sport both locally and internationally. My passion for Tchoukball and my vision for its future align with FITB's mission to grow the sport globally, foster inclusivity, and strengthen its development at all levels.

In accordance with FITB Bylaws Article 28.2, I understand that simultaneous chairmanship or presidency of the FITB and a national or continental federation is not permitted. If I am elected as FITB President, I will relinquish the role of President of the Tchoukball Association of Singapore within 30 days following the election results, as stipulated by the bylaws.

To ensure the continued smooth operation of TBAS during the transition period, I will appoint **Mr. Tony Tan** and **Mr. He Jin Long** as Co-Acting Presidents if I am elected into FITB as President. Their leadership and expertise will provide stability and continuity until the next Annual General Meeting, as outlined in the TBAS constitution I remain committed to supporting TBAS and will continue to serve in any capacity deemed appropriate by the TBAS Council of the day.

With respect to my roles as Vice President of the Asia Pacific Tchoukball Federation (APTBF) and President of the Southeast Asia Tchoukball Federation, I will consult with my fellow leaders and colleagues in both federations to discuss appropriate arrangements. I will

announce my recommendations and keep the FITB community informed of my plans should I be elected into office.

It is my firm belief that these steps will ensure stability, encourage collaborative leadership, and drive the continued growth of Tchoukball across all levels. I am grateful for the support of the Asia Pacific and Southeast Asia federations and remain committed to the development of our sport.

It is my commitment to uphold the values of Tchoukball and contribute to the sport's growth on a global scale. I am deeply honoured to have the support of my national federation and look forward to the opportunity to serve the global Tchoukball community.

Thank you for considering my candidacy. Please feel free to reach out should you require any additional information or clarification regarding my intent and transition plans.

Your Sincerely,

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A/P (Dr) Delane Lim

President, Tchoukball Association of Singapore

President, Southeast Asia Tchoukball Federation

Vice President, Asia Pacific Tchoukball Federation



1st January 2025

Via email

To: FITB Executive Committee
FITB Ethics Committee

cc: All CFs/NFs

Dear Sirs,

Official Nomination of LIM ZI XUAN DELANE as Candidate for FITB Presidency

1. Happy New Year! We are pleased to inform you that the Tchoukball Association of Singapore (TBAS) has unanimously agreed to nominate **MR. LIM ZI XUAN DELANE** as a candidate to stand for the presidency of the International Federation of Tchoukball (FITB) which will be due in August 2025.
2. Mr. Lim has also preliminarily recommended two Singaporeans, **Ms Tan Wan Ying** as FITB Treasurer and **Mr. Liao Jian Xiong** as his proposed EC Chair for Coaching Commission. The board of Tchoukball Association of Singapore has convened and express no objection to these nomination and recommendations.
3. In accordance with FITB Bylaws Article 28.2, simultaneous chairmanship or presidency of the FITB and a national or continental federation is prohibited. Therefore, should Mr. Lim be elected, he will relinquish his role as President of the Tchoukball Association of Singapore.
4. As outlined in Article 24.7, the newly elected FITB President and Executive Committee are to assume office one month after the close of the General Assembly. Additionally, Article 27.8 specifies that outgoing Presidents, Executive Committee members, and other committee members must hand over all necessary documents no later than one month following their resignation or an election. However, Article 27.9 states that newly elected FITB Committee members shall take office immediately after the close of the General Assembly or, when filling vacancies, as directed by the FITB Executive Committee.



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5. As these articles present discrepancies in timelines for handing over and assuming office, we seek clarification on the official date of appointment to ensure compliance with FITB regulations and to enable TBAS to determine the appropriate timing for appointing acting President(s) for our national federation.
 6. Based on our legal advisor's interpretation, the timeline for Mr. Delane Lim to step down as President of the Tchoukball Association of Singapore, if elected as FITB President, shall align with Article 24.7, unless explicitly objected to by the FITB body.
 7. Upon Mr. Lim's transition, the TBAS Board has decided that he will continue to serve as a council member or take on another appointment within TBAS, excluding the role of President. This decision ensures his valuable contributions and expertise remain part of the association's leadership.
 8. To manage this interim period when Mr Lim is elected, Mr. Tony Tan and Mr. He Jin Long have been appointed as Co-Acting Presidents of Tchoukball Association of Singapore, until the next Annual General Meeting is convened.
 9. We trust this arrangement reflects our commitment to continuity, governance, and support for the global Tchoukball community.

Sincerely,

Mark Sum

Mr. Mark Sum

Secretary General, Tchoukball Association of Singapore



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China-Macau Junziball(tchoukball) General Association

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To: International Tchoukball Federation (FITB)

Cc: Tchoukball Association of Singapore / Delane Lim

Asia Pacific Tchoukball Federation (ATBPF)

Dear Sirs,

Nomination for Mr. Lim Zi Xuan Delane, Singapore as Candidate for FITB Presidency

We are pleased to inform you that the **TCHOUKBALL GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF MACAO, CHINA** would like to officially nominate Mr. Lim as candidate for FITB presidency. We express our strong support to recommend Mr Lim and demonstrates our confidence in Mr. Lim's leadership and vision for the future of global tchoukball.

Should you require any further details or clarification, please feel free to reach out.

Regards,

中國澳門君子球總會
China-Macau Junziball (Tchoukball) General Association



Chairman: _____

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