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## **OFFICIAL STATEMENT**

The International Padel Federation would like to inform padel people involved around the world, and the general public, of the following information:

The International Padel Federation does **NOT** recognise educational or training activities carried out by academies, schools, organisations or individuals, even if these are people linked by professional agreements to affiliated National Federations, anywhere in the world, therefore any information citing the FIP as endorsement of a course of this nature is **FALSE**.

The International Padel Federation endorses and recognises only the educational activities organised and carried out by FIP member National Federations/Associations.

The only official courses are those given by the National Federations in their own countries, which offer training and work qualification according to national and local legal regulations, and the courses proposed by the FIP together with the National Federations, which are training and/or specialisation courses and do not qualify for the work function. No teachers are endorsed, as they act on behalf of a Federation.

We have detected some confusing, incorrect, and/or even false information about these activities, which forces us to make this statement, which aims to safeguard the interests of padel fans around the world.

In response to queries received regarding courses given, and to be given, by Mr. Jorge Nicolini, member of the Technical Body of the A.P.A. (Asociación de Pádel Argentino), where he indicates that his courses are endorsed by the "International Padel Federation (FIP)". **WE INFORM YOU THAT THE FIP DID NOT ENDORSE IN THE PAST NOR DOES IN CURRENTLY ENDORSE ANY COURSE OF Mr. NICOLINI.** So that information is completely false. We are also verifying the harm we could have if the information on the recognition of the International Olympic Committee, reported in their communications, were also verified as false.

We do not know Mr. Nicolini's motivations for disseminating this information, but we would like to inform you that the FIP will take the necessary steps to ensure that this type of irregular event does not occur, in order to protect the rights of padel community people.

Lausanne, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018

