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## Announcements regarding the 10th Asia Pacific Deaf Games and 13th APDSC Congress

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Dear APDSC Members,

I hope you all had a great weekend. As your weekend comes to a close, I would like to share two important decisions made by the APDSC Executive Board with you.

## 1. Cancellation of the 10th Asia Pacific Deaf Games (APDG) and the 13th APDSC Congress in Tehran, Iran

After careful consideration, the Asia Pacific Deaf Sports Confederation (APDSC) regrets to announce the cancellation of the 10th Asia Pacific Deaf Games (APDG) and the 13th APDSC Congress, which were originally scheduled to be held in Tehran, Iran, from **15th to 27th October 2024**. This decision was made due to growing tensions in the Middle East,

government-issued travel advisories from APDSC member countries, lower-than-expected participants, and other unforeseen challenges.

We sincerely appreciate the dedication, hard work, and tremendous efforts of the Iranian Organizing Committee in preparing to host the Games.

## 2. New Location and Dates for the 10th APDG and 13th APDSC Congress

While the cancellation is unfortunate, we are excited to announce that the 10th Asia Pacific Deaf Games will now take place in **Kuala Lumpur**, **Malaysia**, from **1st to 8th December 2024**, and the 13th APDSC Congress will be held from **1st to 2nd December 2024**. The Malaysian Deaf Sports Association (MSDeaf) will be hosting these events, and we are confident they will provide a successful and enjoyable experience for all participants.

Here's why APDSC has chosen Malaysia as the new host for these important events:

- APDSC Headquarters: Conveniently located in Petaling Jaya, Malaysia.
- **Strong Hosting Record:** The Malaysian Deaf Sports Association has an excellent track record of hosting Deaf World and AP regional championships, earning a solid reputation within the global Deaf Sports Community.
- **Government and Community Support:** MSDeaf has strong connections with the Malaysian Government, public sports institutions, non-governmental organizations, and sponsors, ensuring a smooth and well-supported event.
- Visa-Free Entry for Asian Countries: Malaysia welcomes almost all Asian countries without requiring visas, reducing costs and logistical challenges for APDSC members.
- Continued Interest from APDSC Members: APDSC member countries have consistently shown great interest in Malaysia, regularly sending athletes and officials to past events. This year, we anticipate an even larger delegation of athletes and officials.

Most importantly, MSDeaf graciously accepted our offer to host these events, helping to preserve this prestigious sporting event in the Asia-Pacific region. We are grateful to the Malaysian Deaf Sports Association, its President Ong Shing Ruenn, and Secretary-General Kamarzaman Harun for their support during these difficult times.

We understand that this location change may affect some travel plans, and we are here to assist with any necessary arrangements. Furthermore, we will send an information package by tomorrow, which will include details on accommodation, meals, transportation, and final forms.

We greatly appreciate your understanding and cooperation during this transition and look forward to welcoming you to Kuala Lumpur for a memorable 10th Asia Pacific Deaf Games.

Best regards,

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