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TO UEFA MEMBER ASSOCIATIONS

For the attention of
the President and the General Secretary

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SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR DOPING CONTROLS INVOLVING MINORS

Dear Sir or Madam,

The status of minors and the legal implications thereof needs to be resolved for all UEFA competition matches as far as anti-doping matters are concerned. In accordance with article 6.01 of the 2005 UEFA Anti-Doping Regulations, we invite you to assist UEFA with the implementation of a system that allows minors to be included in the UEFA anti-doping programme according to the following procedure.

As some of you have already addressed this issue for your domestic competitions, UEFA would like to benefit from your experience and invites you to support our procedure for the UEFA competitions (club competitions as well as representative team competitions).

We would ask your national association and its affiliated clubs to ensure that the "Acknowledgement and Agreement" form (see enclosed sample) is duly signed for each minor participating in any UEFA competition before the start of the 2005/06 UEFA season.

Your association/clubs should keep these forms, which need to be submitted to UEFA only on request. Be aware that UEFA may request this form for any minor player at any time during the season.

Your association is also requested to verify the legal definition of a minor in your country as well as what requirements the "Acknowledgement and Agreement" form has to fulfil to be legally binding (for instance, the signature of a parent or legal guardian of the minor and, if applicable, the signature of the minor).



National associations and clubs are responsible for ensuring that the aforementioned directives are respected. Since the new season is imminent, these requirements need to be acted upon immediately.

Please send a copy of this letter (and its enclosure) to all the clubs in your association participating in the 2005/06 UEFA competitions.

If you have questions or require further information, please contact Marcel Benz, head of UEFA's Sports Legal Services.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Yours faithfully,

UEFA

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lars-Christer Olsson'.

Lars-Christer Olsson
Chief Executive

Enclosures

- Acknowledgement and Agreement form

cc (with enclosures)

- UEFA Executive Committee
- UEFA Medical Committee
- Doping Control Officers Panel
- FIFPro
- European members of the FIFA Executive Committee
- FIFA, Zurich