



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MoU)

BETWEEN

THE WORLD ANTI-DOPING AGENCY (WADA)

and

THE INTERNATIONAL LABORATORY ACCREDITATION COOPERATION (ILAC)

1. General Consideration and Purpose

- 1.1 Wishing to co-ordinate their efforts within the framework of the competencies assigned to them;
- 1.2 Recognising the role of the World Anti-Doping Agency (hereafter referred to as WADA) as the International Authority for promoting and coordinating at international level the fight against doping in sport, including the promotion of harmonized rules, disciplinary procedures, sanctions and other means of combating doping in sport;
- 1.3 Considering the role of the International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (hereafter referred as ILAC) as the specialised body administering a global mutual recognition arrangement among laboratory accreditation bodies, having as their objective formal recognition of competent laboratories, for specified scopes;
- 1.4 Noting the fact that ILAC and WADA have been cooperating since 2003 and have established a Joint Working Group which has been the main forum for achieving confidence in their complementary roles in the accreditation of sports anti-doping laboratories, particularly in the conduct of harmonised laboratory assessments, and the reduction in duplication of activities;
- 1.5 The Chairman of ILAC and the Chairman and the Director General of WADA, on behalf of their respective members and in accordance with the constitution and relevant rules of both organisations, agree upon the following MoU to govern future cooperation of their activities in areas where their functions and activities are complementary and mutually supportive;
- 1.6 ILAC and WADA accept the provisions of this MoU.

2. Areas of Cooperation

The Parties:

- 2.1 agree to ensure the exchange of relevant information on matters related to the criteria for the assessment and accreditation of sports anti-doping laboratories;
- 2.2 agree to inform the other about the progress of work related to activities of common interest;
- 2.3 will strive to develop guidelines to harmonise and optimise the application and practice of the above criteria (e.g. flow charts of activities, technical issues, assessor training, joint assessments, etc);
- 2.4 will identify opportunities for mutual representation on selected committees and working groups, which are engaged in activities of common interest;



- 2.5 will inform their respective memberships on developments in the cooperation;
- 2.6 agree to meet at least on an annual basis;
- 2.7 agree to invite representatives as observers to each other's annual and associated meetings, including the ILAC General Assembly and the WADA Foundation Board;
- 2.8 ensure that the body of knowledge represented by WADA and ILAC is used to further improve the sports drugs testing process as a whole.

3. Implementation

- 3.1 This Memorandum of Understanding shall come into force upon signature by the Chairman of WADA and the ILAC Chairman and will remain in force until terminated in accordance with the provisions hereafter defined;
- 3.2 This Memorandum of Understanding will be reviewed by the Parties every three years.

4. Amendments

This Memorandum of Understanding may be amended at any time by a written agreement between the Parties.

5. Termination

This Memorandum of Understanding may be terminated by each party upon six months written notice of such intention.

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Signed on 15 November 2007

In Madrid – Spain.