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TO: Managers/Administrators, Junior Tennis
The National Associations participating in ITF Junior Team Competitions 2006

Dear Sirs

ITF JUNIOR TEAM IDENTIFICATION REGULATIONS

With regard to the above, we are pleased to follow up on our Circular No. 1 dated December 2005, in which we outlined the regulations applicable to the ITF's Junior Team Competitions for 2006. We would now like to re-confirm some of the information already supplied, as well as provide you with further details concerning the "Team Identification Rule, Article II, C. Regulation 2 and 3", published in the ITF Regulations for the 2006 Junior Team Competitions. The Rule is as follows:

"Players shall be dressed at all times on court in national colours. In addition, clothing shall display the Nation's name on the back of the shirt and may also feature the country flag. Team identification shall be in accordance with the official ITF Team Identification style guide" (attached herewith for your reference).

"Please note that this rule is mandatory at the Finals of the ITF Junior Team Competitions. The rule is optional at the qualifying rounds of the ITF Junior Team Competitions. However, any team that chooses to adopt a team uniform must follow the Regulation in full."

"In addition to the (above) team identification requirement, it is emphasized that in Doubles both members of the team display the nation's name on the back of their shirt and dress in national colours".

National Associations should agree on a simple combination of national colours for the team identification (clothing). All player shirts must feature the country name on the back of the shirt/dress. On girls' shirts or dresses without a back, or with a back too small to feature print, players must place the country name on the skirt or at the bottom of the dress. Style guidelines for the country name are attached.

Competition logos (eg Junior Davis Cup by BNP Paribas, Junior Fed Cup by BNP Paribas etc) will not feature on the clothing. Please note that all usual ITF regulations concerning Dress and Equipment including doubles will apply as normal alongside the Team Identification rule.

All players participating in the **Finals** of the World Junior Tennis, Junior Davis Cup and Junior Fed Cup by BNP Paribas and must comply with this Rule. However, a player who can confirm and prove to the ITF that he/she has an existing clothing endorsement contract which prevents that player from adhering to the Regulation, will be exempt from

application of this Rule in respect of colouring only, but not lettering, during his/her junior team participation.

Even though this exemption is granted, you should be aware that the ITF expects the Manufacturers to use its best efforts to try and comply with the team colour requirement. Please note that **National Associations** are responsible for submitting to the ITF any request for a player's exemption from the Team Identification rule by, and not later than, 35 days prior to the start of the relevant team competition Final.

Therefore, in 2006, the deadlines are as follows:

World Junior Tennis Finals 3 July
Junior Davis Cup & Junior Fed Cup by BNP Paribas Finals 22 August

The request must be accompanied by appropriate documentation to show evidence of the player's current endorsement contract. The ITF will then consider the case and let the National Association know its decision as soon as possible.

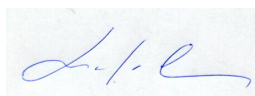
National Associations faced with difficult economical conditions may apply to the ITF for a financial grant to help with the purchase of team clothing. This assistance applies to nations participating in the Finals of the ITF Junior Team Competitions only.

If you have any questions regarding the above Regulation, please do not hesitate to contact either Isabelle Gemmel, Co-ordinator Juniors & Seniors Tennis (Tel. +44 208 392 4666, Fax. +44 208 392 4735), Email isabelle.gemmel@itftennis.com) or myself.

For the first time, at the 2006 World Junior Tennis Finals and the 2006 Junior Davis Cup & Junior Fed Cup by BNP Paribas Finals, the ITF will present a special gift to the team with the best Team Identification during the finals.

We know that your players will be proud to wear their country's name and colours on their clothing at these events.

Yours sincerely



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