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Ministry of Sports, Culture and Heritage  
Amb. Dr. Amina C. Mohamed, Egh, Cav  
Cabinet Secretary  
Kenya

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**Your letter of 18 October 2021**

Dear Honourable Cabinet Secretary,

I refer to your letter of 18 October 2021 by means of which you raised concerns pertaining to the governance and management of football in Kenya by the Football Kenya Federation (FKF). I understand that the government of Kenya wish to find a long-term solution with FIFA's participation, hence your invitation for a meeting.

In the meantime, I have also been made aware of the appointment by your office of a so-called "Caretaker Committee", together with its own secretariat, in lieu of the elected FKF Executive Committee whose President has been arrested. Furthermore, I have been informed that the FKF premises currently seem to be no longer under the control of the FKF General Secretary and football competitions under the umbrella of the FKF have apparently been suspended for a two-week period.

FIFA understands the important role of your office in ensuring that sport bodies in Kenya comply with the relevant applicable national laws. As a matter of fact, FIFA did attempt to understand the situation presented to its administration at the end of 2019, taking into account the role of the Sports Registrar in view of the Sports Act. In this respect, FIFA has always kept an open-door policy to discuss any issue or concern that may affect football at national level.

This being said, I wish to draw your attention to a letter sent by FIFA's Chief Member Associations Officer to the FKF General Secretary on 11 November 2021 (enclosed hereto for ease of reference). In particular, I must highlight that the appointment of a so-called "Caretaker Committee" by your office is undoubtedly contrary to our principles according to which all of our member associations, including the FKF, are required to manage their affairs independently and without undue influence of any third parties (cf. art. 14 par. 1 lit. i) and art. 19 par. 1 of FIFA Statutes). This situation could therefore potentially lead

to a suspension of the FKF by FIFA and, in such a case, it would be all of Kenyan football that would suffer the consequences.

Against this background, I call on your understanding of the matter at stake to reconsider your position in the light of our aforementioned principles so as to make sure the latter are respected with regard to the situation at the FKF. As a matter of fact, I am receptive to the need of a common discussion through a videoconference call that we may organise without further ado. My collaborators will contact your office accordingly to settle the logistical details as soon as possible.

Going forward, without prejudice to the allegations that have been raised and any potential trial for offences that may have been committed, FIFA and CAF are asking you to consider the reinstatement of the FKF executive committee as prior thereto. FIFA and CAF administrations are prepared to work closely with the FKF and your office representatives – as it has already been the case in the recent past – to normalise the situation. I am convinced that our common efforts together with your trust will guarantee a successful outcome for Kenyan football.

I thank you, Honourable Cabinet Secretary, for taking note of the above and look forward to e-meeting you soon.

Yours faithfully,

FIFA



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Secretary General

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cc: CAF; FKF