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Mr. Kim Andersen
World Sailing President

Dear Mr. Andersen,

In May 2017 Sailing Federation of Ukraine has raised an issue of the breach of WS Constitution and Racing Rules of Sailing carried by Russian Sailing Federation conducting sailing events in Crimea. We urged our Russian colleagues to refrain, and to use reasonable endeavours to persuade others within their area of jurisdiction to refrain, from actions that are inconsistent with the objects, rules, Regulations or decisions of the World Sailing as prescribed in the WS Constitution as an obligation for all MNA.

At this moment in Sevastopol, Crimea Russian Sailing Federation conducts the Russian National ORC Championship. This fact proves again that the breaches of the WS Regulations will take place in the future. Sailing Federation of Ukraine considers these breaches as unacceptable and asks World Sailing as a governing body in the sport of sailing to take some actions to prevent the violation of the Constitution in the future.

Sailing Federation of Ukraine suggest to consider Crimea as a special zone for sailing purposes until further notice. Furthermore, the Russian Sailing Federation may not organize any sailing events in Crimea, without the consent of WS and the Sailing Federation of Ukraine (SFU). World Sailing will also fund the development of sailing in Crimea, especially for youth and sailing infrastructure initiatives in frame of the WS development programs. This solution can bring the situation in line with the constitution and regulations of World Sailing and aims at ensuring that sailing can be practiced and developed in Crimea.

I am confident that only following the existing rules and regulations all involved parties can adequately promote the sport of sailing in our countries and contribute to its development in the Black sea region.

Sailing Federation of Ukraine requests the WS Executive board to review the issue of the sailing events in Crimea and consider our proposal regarding the sailing events in Crimea. We are open for discussion, but we insist on the adhering the WS rules and regulations and common policy in the matter of Crimean annexion.

Sincerely yours,

Rodion Luka
President of Sailing Federation of Ukraine