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Dear Members

## **PARAPAN AMERICAN GAMES LIMA, PERU, 2019**

IFCPF is pleased to announce that CP Football has been selected as a sport for the Lima2019 Parapan American Games sports programme after a rigorous application process. This success follows on the heels of CP Football's inclusion in the sport programme for the 2017 Youth Parapan American Games to be held in Sao Paulo, Brazil.

The sports programme for Lima2019 includes 17 sports. Twelve sports were confirmed in November 2015. Ten additional sports were invited to apply for the five remaining spots. CP Football was one of the invited sports.

The International Paralympic Committee, together with the Americas Paralympic Committee, established the following criteria for selection:

- appearance of the sport in previous Paralympic Games
- appearance of the sport in future Paralympic Games
- a minimum of 8 countries were required to satisfy the regional reach criteria for male team sports (each country must have a recognized and sanctioned national championships and/or have competed with a national delegation in internationally recognized sanctioned competitions on a regular basis within the last four years)

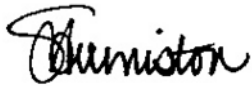
CP Football did not meet all of the primary criteria for selection because the sport is not part of Tokyo2020. However, CP Football did meet the secondary criteria for selection by providing the IPC/APC with evidence of the following:

- a quadrennial competition programme including one major international or championships in the Americas region (excluding Parapan Am)
- proof of Americas' participation at world championships or other major events
- a technical officials pool including qualified international officials such as technical officials, classifiers and technical delegates

- on-going initiatives to further develop the sport in the region CP Football's successful application was, in part, as a result of a strong partnership with the Americas Paralympic Committee in developing and offering workshops in the Central and South American Regions.

We will continue to work together with the APC to strengthen CP Football in the Americas Region.

Yours sincerely



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