

Mr. President, Dear colleagues

It gives me an honor of being among the big Sport Family as well as the distinguished dignitaries which have come together in an aim to launch a campaign against one of the most indecent phenomena of the contemporary era.

Creation of WADA deserves appreciation in view of the fact that it has taken an equal stance towards both the governments and the Olympic Family in its fight against doping and is trying to achieve its objectives through establishing integrity and harmonization policies.

It is for this reason that I would like to recommend all the representatives of the states, NOCs as well as NADOs to realize the true concepts of integrity and harmonization as emphasized by WADA.

WADA's belief regarding Development, Standards and Harmonization can be vividly seen. It is in line with this policy that WADA has embarked on its organized battle against doping within the framework of establishing regional anti-doping organizations known as RADOs.

Taking this measure, each RADO member country has a representative in the Board of Directors which better helps identify similarities, meet requirements and strengthen the potentials.

Acceptance and implementation of WADA code, is fundamental and viable. So, I hereby reiterate the creation of RADO for this important task i.e. implementation of the CODE in the countries of each region as an action which worth appreciation and undoubtedly the RADOs of these regional organizations play an important role towards harmonizing anti-doping activities as well as code compliance.

The Islamic Republic of Iran government and the National Olympic Committee have worked hand in hand to set up an active regional RADO, while we already have established our NADO few years ago.

At the present time, Iran is recognized as the headquarter of the Regional Anti-Doping Organization of Central Asia with 9 member countries including Afghanistan, Pakistan, Mongolia, Turkmenistan, Tajikistan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan, and I.R.Iran.

RADOCA has held 3 executive board meetings in Uzbekistan, Mongolia and Iran and an International DCO course was also organized in Tehran. Furthermore, the RADOCA website has also been launched in 3 languages of Russian-English and Persian which will act as an active E-learning database in near future.

In conclusion, I deem it necessary to extend my deep appreciation for the support and cooperation of WADA officials who have so far spared no efforts to help us. The Olympic Council of Asia and all 9 member countries have in turn greatly contributed us in this concern which is hoped to bear fruit by both athletes and their managers.

Thank you for your attention