



Geneva, 4 May 2006

Subject: Lyrics of the Icelandic entry in the ESC 2006

With reference to our recent exchange of mails and telephone calls, I hereby inform you the firm position of the EBU, **not** to accept any foul language in the Icelandic song, or any other of the entries to the Eurovision Song Contest.

Should your artists use any foul expression in the song, it would immediately mean a violation of two of the rules for the Eurovision Song Contest 2006:

- *Section Five, § 12*) where no changes of the lyrics is possible after the official delivery of the song and lyrics at the meeting of the Heads of Delegation in Athens on 20-21 March 2006.
- *Section Five, § 13*) where it says that the lyrics and/or the performance of the songs shall not bring the Contest Final or the Eurovision Song Contest as such into disrepute.

A violation of these rules could lead to **disqualification** from the contest.

I strongly urge you, as the responsible Head of Delegation for your country, to consider these rules and make sure that your artists will obey them.

Be aware that the EBU and their broadcasting members would consider a violation of the kind we are discussing as serious and strongly offensive.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "S. Stockselius".

Svante Stockselius  
ESC Executive Supervisor