

TO THE MEMBERS OF FIFA

Circular no. 1539

Mexico City, 10 May 2016 ASG/pco

Suspension of the Benin Football Federation as of 10 May 2016 and until further notice

Dear Sir or Madam,

We hereby inform you that, based on the decision taken by the FIFA Council on 9 May 2016, the Benin Football Federation (hereinafter: the FBF) has been suspended in accordance with article 16 of the FIFA Statutes as of 10 May 2016 and until further notice.

Consequently, the FBF loses all its membership rights as defined in article 13 of the FIFA Statutes, with immediate effect and until further notice. The representative teams and clubs of the FBF are no longer entitled to take part in international competitions as of 10 May 2016 and until the matter is resolved. This also means that, as of 10 May 2016, the FBF and its members and officials may no longer benefit from any development programmes, courses or training from FIFA or the Confederation of African Football (CAF). Moreover, we remind you and your affiliates not to engage into any sporting contact with the FBF and/or its teams during the suspension of the association.

Finally, either the bureau of the FIFA Council or the FIFA Council may lift this suspension at any time, in which event we will inform you accordingly.

Thank you for taking note of the above.

Yours faithfully,

FIFA

Markus Kattner Acting Secretary General

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