

H.E. Ms Dilma Rousseff
President of the Federative Republic of Brazil
Palácio da Alvorada
Brasília
Brazil

New Delhi, 9 March 2012

Dear President,

I refer to our contact with the Minister of State for Sport over the past few days regarding comments for which the FIFA Secretary General personally and myself as FIFA President have apologised. It is now time to meet and work together to achieve our common goal: the 2014 FIFA World Cup in Brazil, in your country. As the biggest sports event in the world, it is essential that it should be organised carefully and professionally.


As I wrote in my letter to the Minister of State for Sport on 6 March 2012, FIFA cannot afford any further delay. The success of this FIFA World Cup is of vital importance to all concerned, and is in the interest of the Brazilian government, the Brazilian people, football fans all over the world, and FIFA. In view of this situation, Madam President, I believe that a meeting with you in person – ideally next week – is necessary in order to address all the remaining problems.

In the meantime, the FIFA delegation's trips to Brazil will be postponed.

I will be back in Switzerland from 12 March and am ready to meet you at your earliest convenience.

I look forward to receiving your confirmation.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sepp Blatter', written in a cursive style.

Joseph S. Blatter