Memphis, 12 May 2020

National Cheer Federations
International Cheer Union (ICU)

Re: ICU World Championships Week Update – 12 May 2020

Dear ICU National Cheer Federations:

The global sports community is facing an unprecedented test: determining when and how to move forward with competitions and events in light of the COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic.

As you know, the ICU Governing Council unanimously agreed to postpone the 2020 ICU World Championships and AGM (scheduled for April 27-May 1) to potentially late September 2020, in the hopes that there would be a significant improvement in the global battle against COVID-19 and that we would be able to recognize and reward young athletes from around the world.

The health and safety of our athletes, coaches, officials, and the larger cheer community remains paramount. Based on input from officials in the United States, the Walt Disney World management, our National Federations and the global Cheer community — the ICU Governing Council has made the difficult decision to cancel the 2020 ICU World Cheerleading Championships.

With that, the Junior Division ages will be extended a year to 2021 – meaning that any 2020 Junior World Championship athlete will be eligible to compete in 2021. More information will be shared soon.

Thank you to all who are involved in our sport around the world, and thank you again for your commitment to our athletes and your support of the International Cheer Union and its mission.

We will get through this together.

Sincerely,

Jeff Webb
President
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