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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

We hereby confirm that the Fédération Aéronautique Internationale (the World Air Sports Federation) is a "Recognised International Federation" of the International Olympic Committee.

The International Olympic Committee notes with concern the serious situation facing air sports throughout the world, as a result of the ever-greater restrictions being placed on the use of airspace for sporting and recreational purposes.

Recognising the responsibility of governments and international regulatory authorities for the safe management of airspace, the International Olympic Committee urges these authorities to ensure that access to the common resource of the air is not reserved exclusively for commercial and military aircraft but that in addition reasonable rights of access to airspace are also allowed for sporting and recreational activities.

We hereby request that national and international regulatory authorities take proper account of representations made on airspace issues by the Fédération Aéronautique Internationale and its national member organisations.


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