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MEMORANDUM

DATE	July 3, 2017
TO	Members of the Association of Boxing Commissions
FROM	Andy Foster, Chair Unified Rules of Kickboxing Committee
SUBJECT	Proposed Unified Rules of Kickboxing Endorsements

The following endorsements are a testament to the hard work and support put into the proposed Unified Rules of Kickboxing.

Brian Crenshaw
World Kickboxing Association (WKA) USA President
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"WKA USA supports the ABC proposed unified rules of kickboxing."

Cory Schafer
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"ISKA supports approval of the proposed Association of Boxing Commissions Unified Rules of Kickboxing"

Paul Hennessy
Chairman: Ring Combat Sports Union
United Kingdom
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"I fully support the initiative of the ABC for the development of unified kickboxing rules I believe unified rules will allow kickboxing to take its rightful place alongside other major combat sports."

Scott Coker

President; Bellator Kickboxing

San Jose, California

“Approving a unified set of rules for kickboxing is an important step towards giving the sport its own distinct identity while also providing a level of consistency for our athletes. We support the proposed ABC Unified Rules for Kickboxing”.

Jon Franklin

Glory Sports International Director and CEO

Denver, Colorado

“Glory's intention is to raise the profile of professional kickboxing to the highest possible level of success. We support the ABC's proposed unified rules for kickboxing as a critical tool for better defining our sport for the athletes, officials and for our viewing audience. Thank you for your efforts.”

Lou Neglia

Martial Arts Hall of Famer

Retired World Champion Kickboxer

Ring of Combat Promoter

New York, NY

“It's long overdue! Thank you. The proposed Unified Rules of Kickboxing will help us build the sport of kickboxing in America to the level that it exists around the world.”

Javier Mendez

Former World Kickboxing Champion

Owner: American Kickboxing Academy

San Jose, California

“I support the proposed ABC Unified Rules of Kickboxing. Much of what stalled out the kickboxing movement in America back in my day was that no one understood the rules because they were different at every event and in every state. This is important in order to bring kickboxing back in the U.S.”

Joseph Valtellini

Retired World Kickboxing Champion

Color Commentator for Glory World Series Kickboxing

Toronto, Ontario, Canada

“These rules ARE the rules for professional kickboxing. Making them the Unified Rules will help the fans understand the sport better and create a more level playing field for athletes who compete around the world”

Fidi Muller
Dipanegara Gym The Netherlands
Promotor and National Kickboxing Director
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"I offer my support to your work for the unified rules of kickboxing. I support the ABC's Unified Rules. This will help the sport grow and will help for the safety of the competitors."

Chris Wagner
Retired World Kickboxing Champion
Active Kickboxing Referee
New York, NY

"This is important for giving Kickboxing its' own unique identity and for giving our fighters some consistency throughout the country. This proposed set of rules does this effectively."

Rob Murdoch
Heng Kuai Fighting Arts New South Whales, Australia
National Kickboxing Director
Professional Kickboxing Trainer Since 1989

"The idea of a unified set of rules similar to what exists for boxing and mma is a very positive step in the right direction for the sport of kickboxing. The proposed ABC unified rules of kickboxing seem to reflect the basic nature of the sport very well".

Duke Roufus
Head Coach Roufus Sport Competition Team
Six Time World Kickboxing Champion
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

"Having a Unified Rules for Professional Kickboxing would be a tremendous benefit for the fighters. Nothing is more frustrating than never quite knowing what the rules will be. And the ABC Proposed document accurately reflects what is commonly considered modern kickboxing."

Stelios Politis
Zen Fighting Club - Gods of War Greece
Martial Arts Expert , World Champion and Kickboxing Promoter
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"I support the ABC's proposed unified rules of Kickboxing. This will inspire more people to join around the world and put a line to a sport that is growing fast with a big potential. Kickboxing at the moment is an art with so many events around the world and need to clarify its own rules."

Bobby Campbell
Former World Kickboxing Champion
Kickboxing Trainer and Promoter, Long Island NY

"I wish that there was a Unified Rules of Kickboxing for most of my career. It would have made things much better. I support the ABC approving the unified rules."

Sal D'Amato
Kickboxing Judge
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

"The concept of a "Unified Rules" makes things better for everyone in the sport. I support the proposed ABC Unified Rules of Kickboxing."

Paul Zadro
IMC Australia
Promoter and National Martial Arts Director
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"I support the ABC's proposed unified rules of kickboxing. This is a big step for our sport that should be supported by everyone. The proposed rules are accurate"

Dale "Apollo" Cook
Former World Kickboxing Champion
Owner/Operator: Apollo's Martial Arts
Promoter: Xtreme Fight Night, Tulsa, Oklahoma

"I fought all around the world in my career, and boy I would have loved to have had one set of rules that I knew was going to be enforced. I support the ABC proposed unified rules of kickboxing. It reflects the current state of our sport."

Grandmaster Carlos Silva
Brazilian Traditional Kickboxing Confederation President - CBKBT
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"This proposal has the power to change the game of professional Kickboxing. I totally support and encourage this proposal."

Jeff Mullen
Kickboxing Judge, Promoter and Trainer
Former Commission Executive Officer
Memphis, Tennessee

"This will be a huge asset for advancing the sport of kickboxing. Over time it will help develop a new and better level of consistency for the fighters, fans and the officials. I support your efforts in approving the proposed ABC unified rules of kickboxing"

Angelo DiBella
Former Kickboxing World Champion
DiBella's Kickboxing and Martial Arts
Quebec, Canada

"A unified set of rules is what our fighters need so that they have a chance to advance their careers knowing what to expect every time they get in the ring. I am glad to hear that my son will have the benefit of this as he continues his climb to the top."

Jeff Bullock
Elite International, (UK, Germany & Australia)
International Promotor
Former British & European Champion.

I Jeff Bullock, support the ABC's proposed unified rules of kickboxing. The proposed rules do mirror what most people consider modern kickboxing. This will help the international movement to develop our sport and I fully endorse the application.

Maximiliano Maron
Judge and International Arbitrator
National Director and Kickboxing Teacher, Buenos Aires, Argentina
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"I am writing to you to support the proposed unification of kickboxing rules proposed by ABC. I consider it a good move for the sport to continue growing."

Master Mauricio Mattos
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"I, Mauricio Mattos Maciel, from Amazon State Kickboxing Association, Manaus, Amazonas – Brazil, 3rd Degree Black Belt in American Kickboxing, Brazilian Champion – K1 Rules/2015, Leader and Head Coach of the Manaus Martial Arts Center, would like to endorse the proposal of unified rules of Kickboxing. This way, people will understand how the sport works and, at the same time, the sport will keep its homogeneity everywhere."

Yuri da Silva Barbosa
Kickboxing National Director
Spartacus Kickboxing Promotion
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"A unified set of rules is what our fighters need to have the opportunity to advance their professional careers, we, kickboxing in Bolivia supports the ABC Unification of kickboxing rules to make it Universal, and benefit the athletes."

Gabriel Varga

Former Glory World Kickboxing Champion

Victoria, BC, Canada

“You have my support for the recommended ABC Unified Rules for Kickboxing. I am glad to see that they are almost identical to the rules being used by the biggest kickboxing promotions around the world.”

Bayram Korkmaz (5.dan)

Chin-Gu Kickboxing Denmark

Promoter and National Kickboxing Director

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“To Association of Boxing Commissions (ABC): I Promoter and National Kickboxing Director for CHIN-GU KICKBOXING in Denmark, support the ABC's proposed unified rules of Kickboxing.

This will help the sport grow and be better for our fighters. The proposed rules do reflect modern Kickboxing around the world.”