TO THE MEMBERS OF FIFA

Circular no. 1298

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Players’ Agents Regulations – Re-examination

Dear Sir or Madam,

Referring to the above-mentioned matter, we are pleased to inform you of the decision passed by the FIFA Executive Committee on the occasion of its recent meeting held at the Home of FIFA in Zurich, Switzerland, on 29-30 March 2012.

According to art. 17 par. 1 of the Players’ Agents Regulations (hereinafter: the Regulations), the players’ agent licence expires five years after its date of issue. Furthermore, licensed players’ agents are required to send a written application to the relevant association to resit the exam before the date on which their licences are due to expire (cf. art. 17 par. 2 of the Regulations), and subsequently, they will have to resit the exam on the next available examination date.

In view of the date of the entry into force of the current edition of the Regulations, i.e. 1 January 2008, the validity of the first licences is about to expire and a first group of agents would thus be required to resit the examination.

However, considering that, in relation to the possible revision of the rules on players’ agents, which should in future be based on the concept of intermediaries, the consultation and revision work is still ongoing, the FIFA Executive Committee decided to suspend the application of art. 17 of the Regulations until further notice. In particular, it pointed out that it would be unnecessary for players’ agents whose licences are due to expire in the upcoming months to resit the examination and for the associations to hold those examinations in view of the possible abolition of the current licensing system.

On account of the above, we herewith kindly ask you to inform all of your licensed players’ agents accordingly.

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We thank you for your kind attention to the above and for your appreciated cooperation.

Yours faithfully,

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