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Re: Proposal for 12 Groups of Four Format in 48-Team World Cup

Dear Madam or Sir:

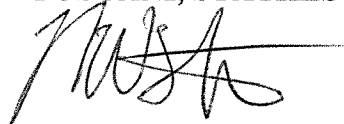
Expansion of the FIFA Men's World Cup ("World Cup") to 48 nations must not include such a dramatic and problematic shift to its format as proposed under the "16 groups of three" system. I humbly enclose hereto a proposal, including matchday calendars for the 2026 and 2030 World Cups, outlining how future 48-team World Cups could operate within a 12 Groups of four format.

The enclosed proposal provides a system to maintain the excitement and competitive fairness of four-team groups. It also, among other things, guarantees that future host nations will play on home soil until the Semifinals at the earliest. The 96 matches in the proposed 12 Groups of four format takes place over 37 or 38 days, with no change in the number of rest days between matches players have enjoyed under the 32-team format.

The legacy of FIFA's current leadership will be forever linked to how it transitions from a 32-team to 48-team World Cup. FIFA is the steward of greatest, most exciting game on earth. A game that brings people and nations together in the interest of understanding, acceptance, and peace. It is FIFA's responsibility to ensure that World Cup expansion is enacted responsibly and carefully.

I respectfully and humbly ask that you please consider the enclosed proposal. Should you have any questions, comments, or feedback, please do not hesitate to contact me at nstathes@tszlegal.com

Very truly yours,
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