

11<sup>th</sup> September 2013

Dear All,

After several years of hard work we presented our case to the IOC session in Buenos Aires on September 8<sup>th</sup>. I was very proud of the presentation party and the quality of our presentation.

I was heartbroken when the session voted for wrestling.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have been so committed to this bid and given it their total support. The Olympic Bid Steering Group of WSF along with PSA, WSA, our consultants Vero, Media Director have led the bid with great attention to detail. SquashTV has been a vital huge step to the Bid. All the WSF staff put in massive extra hours for the Bid. In particular I would like to thank the many squash players who wrote to their IOC members requesting them to support the bid. All the Regional Federations and Member Nations have played a major part along with many individuals in lobbying and fundraising. I would like to particularly thank those anonymous most generous individual donors to what proved to be a very expensive campaign.

Squash as a sport has definitely benefitted thanks to this Bid. Personally for me it has been a journey of total commitment, at times frustrating, but always worthwhile, knowing one had the support of such a huge worldwide squash family.

Thank you all for your support and help given to me and WSF.

Those of you who know me well, will know that the last word has not been said on squash being in the 2020 Olympics! I have not given up and I will continue exploring every opportunity available to see how best we can reinstate our bid.

Thanking you all once again.

Yours in sport



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President