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To: The members of the International Lacrosse Federation's Development Committee

Fr: Iliad Rodriguez, US Director- Mexico Lacrosse

Re: Mexico Lacrosse's petition for ILF member status

Honorable Members of the Development Committee,

Mexico Lacrosse is interested in becoming a member of the International Lacrosse Federation. We are an organization dedicated to establishing quality lacrosse players, programs, and leagues in Mexico and expanding lacrosse playing and coaching opportunities for people of Mexican descent throughout North America.

Mexico Lacrosse understands that the International Lacrosse Federation has high standards for member nations in order to ensure the long-term growth and development of the game in those countries. Mexico Lacrosse agrees with those standards and we are committed to developing an organization that can make lacrosse a beloved part of the Mexican sporting landscape.

The following is a list of the International Lacrosse Federation's standards for developing nations and a brief update on where Mexico Lacrosse currently stands in meeting these standards:

**A. Program Overview:**

1. Country- MEXICO
2. Governing Body- MEXICO LACROSSE
3. Information- MEXICOLACROSSE.COM
4. Board of Directors:

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**B. Standard 1- The sport is being introduced within an educational system or Solid organizational structure**

*Update-* Scott Buxton, a Canadian living in Colima, Mexico is developing a youth program there. Scott is working with the school system on lacrosse development. US Director Iliad Rodriguez, and Mexico Director Corey Samora are exploring development opportunities within the Chivas Athletic Club and club soccer system in Guadalajara, Mexico. In the summer of '08, Cory will continue his work on this goal as this is one of Mexico Lacrosse's highest priorities. Mexico Lacrosse's current development strategy is to grow and develop youth lacrosse first.

**C. Standard 2- A clear, unified leadership group within the nation is identified.**

*Update-* Mexico Lacrosse's Board of Directors is committed to the long-term development of lacrosse in the country of Mexico. Corey Samora, a current student and the lacrosse club president at Minnesota State University, has been named Mexico Director and will oversee development of lacrosse in Mexico beginning in the summer of '08. Corey's wife Jill, has been named Women's Director and will oversee the growth of the women's game in Mexico. Corey is working on getting Mexico Lacrosse official recognition by the appropriate Mexican sports agency.

**D. Standard 3- A completed Development Questionnaire is submitted by the developing nation.**

*Update-* Iliad Rodriguez has acquired a Development Questionnaire and is currently working on it. Mexico Lacrosse wants to make more significant progress on the membership standards before submitting the questionnaire. We expect to complete the questionnaire in the summer of '08 and submit it to the ILF by the fall of '08

**E. Standard 4- A 3-year development plan is submitted by the developing nation to the ILF Development Committee**

*Update-* This coming summer ('08), the members of Mexico Lacrosse will meet to determine the future course of the organization. Goals and

priorities for development will be discussed and determined. Our current goals, consistent with our mission include:

*Spring '08:*

1. Recruit experienced lacrosse players, coaches, enthusiasts
2. Conduct clinic with Colima, Mexico youth team

*Summer '08:*

1. Establish Mexico Lacrosse as the recognized governing body for lacrosse in Mexico
2. Set goals for Mexico Lacrosse (membership)
3. Introduce lacrosse within the educational or club sport system
4. Complete the ILF Development Committee Questionnaire
5. Complete Mexico Lacrosse's 3-year plan
6. Compete in a men's club tournament (Men's Elite Team)

*Fall '08:*

1. Submit ILF Development Committee Questionnaire
2. Submit 3-year plan to the ILF Development Committee
3. Conduct Fall Clinic in Colima, Mexico, and 1 other city
4. Continue membership recruitment
5. Continue organizational development
6. Continue league and team development

The members of Mexico Lacrosse want to thank the Development Committee for this amazing opportunity to join the international lacrosse community. We couldn't be more excited! We look forward to working with you to grow and develop the sport of lacrosse in Mexico. We eagerly await any input or advice you have to assist us in our efforts.

Su amigo en lacrosse,

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