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To: Chairpersons, Executive Directors, International Commissioners and members of National Councils of the National Scout Organizations in the Interamerican Region.

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Candidatures to host the 17th Interamerican Scout Jamboree and 4th Interamerican Scout Camporee (JamCam)

Dear brothers and sisters in Scouting:

Under the provisions of the Regional Constitution, Article 11, paragraph j, at its meeting in the city of Panama, Republic of Panama, from November 27 to December 1st 2018, the Interamerican Conference is required to elect a venue for the 17th Interamerican Scout Jamboree and 4rd Interamerican Scout Camporee (JamCam) to be held in 2023.

This event is organized for Venturers (Jamboree) and Scouts (Camporee), all together in the same venue, simultaneously, but with an activity program designed for each age range separately.

All National Scout Organizations interested in hosting the next JamCam are invited to send a formal application **before August 27** to the World Scout Bureau – Interamerica Support Centre, at the email address interamerica@scout.org. Candidatures received will be referred to the Interamerican Scout Committee, which will review them in accordance with the criteria indicated herein.

The criteria the ISC will use to judge the viability of a proposal to host the JamCam are as follows:

- Facilities of air and land access to the city proposed to host the event.
- Specifications of the venue available for the JamCam.
- Human resources available to organize the JamCam.
- Attractiveness of the program as proposed in preliminary form.
- Foreseeable reaction and support on the part of the community.
- Budgets, costs, availability of services and financial viability.
- Facilities provided for the work of the ISC and the WSB-IAR.
- Capacity of the NSO to meet the commitments it undertakes in this regard.

In addition, the ISC recommends that a number of institutional aspects of the NSO offering to host and organize the JamCam be taken into consideration:

- Whether Scouting has a considerable presence in the country or at least in the area where the event will be held.
- Whether the NSO has —at the level of the district, province or region where the event will be held— a basic development infrastructure which will enable it to organize the event without disrupting, interrupting or paralyzing the course of institutional life. This means having enough human resources to staff the activity efficiently without deferring the NSO normal programs.
- Whether the NSO is in a position to contribute resources from its own means and to raise them sufficiently in advance of the JamCam, since experience has shown that registration fees cover between one half and two thirds of the cost of the event.

- Whether the NSO has a good working relationship with government authorities and with institutions or firms that can provide support for the activity or help with resources and services, and has developed a system of institutional relations that enable it to generate interest and support on the part of the community.

As established by the agreement 31/2015 of the Interamerican Scout Committee, this is the procedure:

- *Within Three months prior the Conference (27 August 2018), potential hosts shall deliver a DECLARATION OF INTENT to the WSB-IASC, who shall review the plans of potential hosts, in order to prepare a report on the feasibility of the proposed invitations for the Interamerican Scout Committee.*
- *If the Interamerican Scout Committee considers that the proposal fulfills the necessary requirements, the National Scout Organization will be asked to present its formal invitation within 30 days (27 October 2018) before the Regional Conference.*
- *If, as a result of the process, no NSO presents a proposal that fulfills the necessary requirements to host a Regional Scout Event, the Interamerican Scout Committee and the WSB-IASC shall take the proper decision to appoint a NSO to host the event, with the respective formal agreement of such NSO.*

The Interamerican Scout Committee will inform all National Scout Organizations in the Interamerican Region of the candidatures that have been received **by 27 October 2018**.

A set of basic guidelines for the organization of the JamCam is attached for the information of the NSO authorities and, in particular, those responsible for preparing the candidature. These guidelines have been adapted from the corresponding document approved by the World Scout Committee. Also attached is an outline of the program requirements. These accompanying documents are of particular importance to its implementation and monitoring during the preparation and development of the event.

Be Prepared to serve



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