

*29 August 2023*

*A complaint dated 27 October 2022 lodged by lawyers representing Mr Mohamed ElShorbagy against Mr Karim Darwish, WSF Vice-President, was investigated by the WSF Ethics Commission pursuant to Article 11 of Appendix 7 to the Code of Ethics. The complaint alleged breaches of the WSF Code of Ethics as a result of postings made on social media by the WSF Vice-President.*

*Following a full review of the complaint and the report of the investigator, the Ethics Commission considered that the commentary made by Mr Karim Darwish did not reach the standard of impartiality required by a WSF Vice President. As such the WSF Ethics Commission ruled that the WSF Vice-President had breached Article 2 of the Code of Ethics but at the lower end. In addition, the Commission reviewed the conditions under which the comments were made and confirmed it was not a case of conflict of interest.*

*The WSF Board accepted the conclusions and recommendations of the WSF Ethics Commission which fall clearly within Article 24 of Appendix 7 to the Code, and therefore has issued a reprimand to Mr Karim Darwish and warned him of the consequences in case of further repetition. Mr Karim Darwish and Mr Mohamed ElShorbagy's lawyers have been informed and have accepted the decision of the WSF Board.*