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### **Lacrosse Canada Officials Briefing Note**

Lacrosse Canada Officials,

Lacrosse Canada (LC) will be implementing a new process for officials attending International events, effective immediately. This process will provide officials equal opportunity to be selected for international events; increase funding for officials to travel to WL events; and improve communication within our organization.

Currently and historically, World Lacrosse reach out to Lacrosse Canada officials, independently without Lacrosse Canada approval and knowledge, for positions at World Lacrosse events. This has caused and continues to impact funding for officials travel; unequitable opportunities for officials; confusion and a breakdown of communication within our organization.

LC recognizes that World Lacrosse want the best officials at their events and Canadian officials are at the top of their list. It is the responsibility of LC to ensure our officials are provided the best support and development to attend these events.

Effective immediately any official that accepts an invitation to any international event, without LC approval is subject to discipline by LC.

International events covers all events including but not limited to World Lacrosse, Continental Federations and other international tournaments.

The current Officials Travel form process remains in effect. For events, not sanctioned by World Lacrosse, the officials travel form will be submitted and approved at the MA level and forwarded onto the LC office to be kept on file. For World Lacrosse and Continental Federations events officials will be selected and approved by Lacrosse Canada

All Lacrosse Canada officials must contact the LC office should they be contacted by a member of World Lacrosse and/or a Continental Federation to officiate at an event.

Should you have any questions regarding this communication please contact Steve O'Shaughnessy, LC Officiating Committee Chair [steveo@nbnet.nb.ca](mailto:steveo@nbnet.nb.ca)