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Racism – IDSF and IOC

There have been many decades of relationship between the World Dance Council (formally ICBD) and the International Dance Sport Federation (formally ICAD). True there have been problem areas and in general certain countries have proven to be in themselves, problematic but nonetheless, through the joint committee which was unilaterally disbanded by IDSF, it was possible to govern relatively harmonious relations in the Dance world by and large.

Several weeks ago the President of the IDSF Federation in Italy therefore representing the International Dance Sport Federation and recognised by the Italian Olympic Committee (C.O.N.I.) formally issued a Press Release in relation to Mr. Karl Breuer, German Dance Sport, and the Nation of Germany in its entirety. A copy of this was forwarded to President Freitag and the IDSF.

The Press Release in itself represented a new low in international dance politics, and unbelievably in the year 2007 in the civilised European Community, was blatantly racist. It is quite apparent that certain issues such as corruption, drug taking, and racism have no place in a decent society in general and certainly not in the Olympic movement in particular.

The IDSF, who shamefully have said and done nothing to distance themselves from the recent racist outbursts of their Italian member, have been damningly silent on the above. Not only the Dance Sport world, but decent minded human beings who find blatant racism repugnant must view this abdication of responsibility by the current leadership of the IDSF, quick to attempt to portray themselves as inhabiting the moral high ground when convenient, as showing itself in its true light.

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