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## Objet: Update on RE Club Sevens Championships 2020

Dear participating clubs,

Rugby Europe (RE) would like to give you an update on the preparation of the RE Club Sevens Championships, hosted by our partner the Rugby Union of Russia (RUR).

Following the exceptional situation across Europe due to the Covid-19, it has been decided jointly with RUR to postpone all scheduled legs. Our ambition is to be able to come back to play in September, through a condensed version of the event.

At the moment, the planned scenario would be to have the two qualification legs in Ufa and Moscow played just the week end before the Finals in Saint Petersburg, in order to allow qualified teams to stay over in Russia and combined the two events in one trip to save time and cost. There is nothing confirmed yet, as you will easily understand given the conditions, but qualifications could be played on 19-20 September and Finals on 26-27 September.

We hope that these dates, even tentative, will allow you to reschedule your calendar and plan accordingly. RUR and RE will constantly assess the sanitary situation and the guidelines provided by governments in Europe, and aim to be able to give their final position on the scheduling of the event by the end of June, at the latest. In the meantime, we strongly encourage to all teams to not engage any cost in relation to the event.

In these trying times, we convey our best wishes of health to all teams and stay at your disposal would you need any further information on the event.

Best regards,

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