

Lausanne, 17 September 2016



To –

**Alicia Takeda Hirata, General Secretary, Mexican Hockey Federation**

**Kofi Hinds, Hon General Secretary, Barbados Hockey Federation**

**Pablo Reyes, President, Guatemala National Hockey Association**

**Reyah Richardson, Honorary Secretary, Trinidad & Tobago Hockey Board**

**Simon Hoskins, Executive Director, USA Field Hockey**

Dear Alicia, Kofi, Pablo, Reyah and Simon

### **Hockey World League Round 1 – Mexico Salamanca**

Thank you for all getting back to Martyn within the timeline with your comments on the proposals contained within my letter of 14 September 2016. There was overwhelming support for the proposals that were put and therefore under the delegated powers that the Competitions Committee has given me the format in Salamanca will be as put for forward. For the avoidance of doubt this will be as follows.

**Men** – a single pool with classification matches, that is 1<sup>st</sup> in pool v 2<sup>nd</sup> in pool and 3<sup>rd</sup> in pool v 4<sup>th</sup> in pool. The teams will be ranked on the results of the classification matches. This means that the winner of the 1<sup>st</sup> v 2<sup>nd</sup> classification match will be the automatic qualifier from this tournament to Round 2. For those teams that do not qualify for Round 2, World Ranking Points will be based on the results of the pool matches

**Women** – a double round robin tournament, that is each team plays the other twice. The winner of the double round robin will be the automatic qualifier for Round 2. For the teams that do not qualify for Round 2, World Ranking Points will be based on 50% of the World Ranking Points gained in the double round robin.

Over the next few days, the match schedule will be finalised in conjunction with the hosts and as soon as it is agreed you will all be sent a copy. However, as the FIH office is closed on Monday for a local Bank Holiday, this is unlikely to be before Tuesday or Wednesday.

As previously stated, the issue of additional qualification for Round 2 as a result of all withdrawals, and not just those in Salamanca, will be discussed in the forthcoming meeting of the Competitions Committee.

Finally I wish you all an enjoyable time in Mexico.

Kind regards,

**Ken Read**  
**Chair**  
**FIH Competitions Committee**



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