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BWF STATEMENT ON WITHDRAWAL OF THAILAND FROM TOTAL BWF THOMAS AND UBER CUP FINALS 2020

The Badminton World Federation (BWF) can confirm the TOTAL BWF Thomas and Uber Cup Finals 2020 in Aarhus, Denmark will proceed as planned despite today's withdrawal of Thailand's men's and women's teams.

Badminton Association of Thailand cited special circumstances related to COVID-19 in addition to injuries to key players in making the decision.

Thailand join Chinese Taipei and Australia as those Member Associations unable to take their place. Replacement teams have yet to be announced.

The TOTAL BWF Thomas and Uber Cup Finals 2020 is scheduled for 3-11 October.

BWF's highest priority remains the health and safety of all players and personnel participating in upcoming international tournaments.

This includes implementing a bubble system to create a safe badminton ecosystem for all involved.

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ABOUT BWF

The Badminton World Federation (BWF) is the international governing body of the sport of badminton, recognised by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and the International Paralympic Committee (IPC). It was originally the International Badminton

Federation (IBF) which was founded on 5 July, 1934, before being rechristened the Badminton World Federation in 2006.

The purpose and objectives of BWF include regulating, promoting, developing and popularising the sport of badminton throughout the world and organising, conducting and presenting international events at the highest level.

The BWF's vision is to make badminton a leading global sport accessible to all – giving every child a chance to play for life. Its mission is to lead and inspire all stakeholders; to deliver entertainment through exciting events to drive fan experience; and to create innovative, impactful and sustainable development initiatives.

BWF has its headquarters in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, with 196 Member Associations worldwide.

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