



Date: May 22, 2024

From: The Board of the Swedish MMA Federation (SMMAF)

To: Mr. Jason Brown, Mr. Kerrith Brown, and Mr. Densign White

Subject: Reply to Your Urgent Notice of Investigation and Immediate Compliance Demand, and Termination of Membership

**Dear Mr. Brown, Mr. Brown, and Mr. White,**

Article 9, section 8 specifically mentions membership in other international federations and nothing else. The phrase "engaging in activities" is not mentioned in the stated paragraph. Even if it were, SMMAF has not participated in any such activities.

Ms. Fagerlind, without any involvement from SMMAF, has practiced her profession. As previously mentioned, according to Swedish law, SMMAF cannot prevent anyone from practicing their profession. Additionally, as a referee, one must remain completely neutral and does not represent one's country.

Furthermore, even if we wanted to, we couldn't remove Ms. Fagerlind from her position as she is elected by the Annual General Meeting.

It is common knowledge that both competitors and coaches from several countries have participated in both IMMAF's and GAMMA's championships. These are national team assignments where individuals represent their federation and country. What IMMAF is now demonstrating in its contact with SMMAF is a remarkable double standard. Treating members equally is an absolute prerequisite for a democratic federation.

It is tragic to see how the ideals that formed the foundation of IMMAF have been completely eroded and how it has steadily declined over a longer period. For a long time, SMMAF has found IMMAF's actions undemocratic and reprehensible, and now we have had enough.

The Swedish MMA Federation hereby withdraws from IMMAF with immediate effect.

Sincerely,

**The SMMAF Board**