



**To: African Boxing Confederation (AFBC) – All National Federations\***

Lausanne, 29 May 2025

### **Appointment as members of the AFBC Normalisation Committee**

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Dear AFBC President and respected members of the continent,

Further to communication cascaded out this week regarding Normalisation Committee business, we write to formally confirm the composition of the committee for the African Boxing Confederation (AFBC), following the decision made by the Board of Directors of the International Boxing Association (IBA). All outcomes and decisions are based on the results of the most recent mail votes, through which the Board approved the formation of this newly established Committee.

### **Composition of the AFBC Normalisation Committee**

1. Ms Pearl Dlamini (IBA Director) – Chairperson
2. Mr Abdulmutalim Abakarov (IBA Vice President) – Vice Chairperson
3. Mr Chris Roberts OBE (IBA Secretary General & CEO)
4. Mr Dian Gomes (IBA Director)
5. Mr Gabriel Xavier Da Barca Junior (President of Mozambique Boxing Federation)
6. Mr Moses Muhangi (President of Uganda Boxing Federation)
7. Mr David Pina (ex-Chairman of the AFBC Ethics Committee)
8. Vacant position (awaiting candidate proposal from AFBC President's office)

As you are aware, there has been significant instability within the AFBC, creating an urgent need for intervention. In its responsibility to restore lawful governance and stability to the Confederation, the IBA has established the Normalisation Committee to address and resolve these issues. The Committee's key mandate is to ensure compliance with both the IBA and AFBC Constitutions, facilitate the organisation of new, legitimate elections, and to restore effective governance within the AFBC.

The *Regulations on AFBC Normalisation Committee (NC) for AFBC* have been established by the IBA to guide the work of the Normalisation Committee. These regulations are binding on all AFBC officials, AFBC National Federations, and associated members. It is essential that all parties comply with these regulations to ensure the smooth and effective restoration of stability and governance.

As we further move forward with this work, there will be some opportunity for subject matter expertise with those individuals who hold respective knowledge across AFBC, and who could be in a position to support development and output needs.

The deep knowledge of both African and boxing related business relations makes this committee an extremely strong proposition in managing the current issues – we are confident that with careful and considered planning, along with respective consultation, that the mission of this committee will redefine



AFBC in an extremely positive way.

We look forward to further communication from the committee, that will indeed help to revitalise the African Boxing Confederation and strengthen the IBA's global boxing community.

End of message.

Yours sincerely,



**Chris Roberts OBE**

IBA Secretary General & CEO

For and on behalf of IBA President

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- President/Vice President and Secretary General\* – African Boxing Confederation (AFBC) } please forward on to all AFBC National Federations (and BoD members) within area of responsibility

