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Dear presidents, Dear friends

It is with great sadness and deception that I have to communicate to you that the CD COM Committee, in their meeting held yesterday, has analysed the situation of the evolution of the COVID 19 pandemic in Portugal and throughout Europe and has decided to cancel the organisation of the 2021 World Show in Santarem, Portugal

For me as the COM President it is the worst moment of my mandate in the COM, i have a feeling of deception, since somehow i feel responsible for failing to ensure this so important annual moment for all those that belong to the COM!

We thank all those that have supported this project.

We would also like to inform you that, as agreed with the Turkish federation, the World show planned for Istanbul in January 2022 will be anticipated and organised from the 28th November to 5th December 2021m and this to allow for the organisation of the 2022 World Show in Valencia in January.

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This COM Intercontinental World Show has as main objective to allow for the participation of the breeders and birds coming from all those countries who are not UE members and that for the moment have important restrictions when coming to the World Shows organised in the EU countries.

Of course the participation in this World Show is completely open to all countries,. Including the EU ones and I ask for your full cooperation in this project: it will be essential for the future unity as a world organisation!

The CD COM will engage in the next months in the planning of this event in the months and also in that of the Southern Hemisphere World Show to be held in Chile in July.

We will also study the possibility of accepting birds ringed with 2020 rings in certain sections and classes, with the objective of limiting the impact of the absence of a 2021 World Show in January.

We kindly thank the Turkish federation TKKF and their managers for the their behaviour and understanding in this process.

As a consequence of this decision, all the solemn moments previewed for January 2021 will be held during the Istanbul World >Show in December, including the COM statutory Congress 2021, in respect of article 21 of the COM statutes.

We have also the objective of organizing in Istanbul the OMJ technical Congress for all Comsections, and we will update you on the details in the following months.

The COM Intercontinental World Show in Istanbul must be a moment of renovation and reborn for all of us after these dreadful times of pandemic!

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It is with undisguised sadness but with trust in the future and assuring you our absolute commitment to our Confederation and its objective's that I send you best compliments from all the members of the COM and OMJ Committees.

Vive la COM!

Le Président Général, Carlos Fernando RAMÔA,