

Damian Collins MP for Folkestone and Hythe, Founder New FIFA Now

Marc Tarabella MEP and Co-President of the European Parliament Sports InterGroup

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Dear Mr Collins and Mr Tarabella

It is with regret that I write to inform you, with my most sincere apologies, for now not being able to join you in Brussels on Wednesday as planned.

As you know, your event has undergone a number of changes of date, venue, make up and participants. At each juncture, I have cooperated and remained with you because I have always encouraged full, open and frank debate.

However, I have been advised that the event as now planned may well constitute a breach of FIFA election rules and I understand that one of the three candidates not participating has made a complaint to the Ad Hoc Electoral Committee.

Gentlemen, I am keen to debate publicly and with all candidates on an even platform. However, under the continuing changing circumstances, I have decided to remain in Paraguay at the COMNEBOL Executive Committee meeting, where other candidates are now also gathering.

Therefore, I trust that you will understand and accept my apologies for the short notice of my decision.

With respectful greetings,

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Ali Al Hussein







