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To: FAI CIVL

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Dear Sirs,

Certified Gliders and Competitions

Last year we wrote to you on this subject stating that the member states that signed the letter would not permit CIVL Competitions in their respective countries unless they were flown on EN Certified gliders alone. This was to be the situation whilst CIVL worked towards a means of governance of competition to ensure a satisfactory level of safety.

As we all know, there has been significant work undertaken towards achieving this goal and the members of the EHPU applaud this work.

However, the EHPU meeting held on 2^{nd} February 2013 considered the proposals contained in Annex 19 of the agenda for your Plenary meeting scheduled for 13 - 17 February 2013 in respect of a competition class of glider, and particularly the contents of Annex 19c.

At this stage the members of the EHPU do not consider that these proposals will provide the satisfactory level of safety that was sought in our letter dated 14th February 2012.

As a result, the members of the EHPU maintain, for the meantime, their position set out in the previous letter and will only permit CIVL competitions to take place within their countries if they are flown on EN Certified gliders alone.

We encourage CIVL to continue the work towards our mutual objective of safe competitions and look forward to hearing from you in due course.

Maarten Van Eck

President EHPU