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(Montreal) – The interim ADRsportRED program has just completed its first 8 months of operation. During that period, ADRsportRED settled 8 cases pertaining to the selection of athletes and coaches wishing to participate in Major Games.

The ADRsportRED Steering Committee presents a report on Major Games selection cases. This report takes stock of the 8 cases handled and states a number of observations and recommendations for improving the program and, indirectly, the Canadian sports system. This report was developed through the valuable collaboration of the Steering Committee members, the two Co- Chief Arbitrators, Richard H. McLaren and L. Yves Fortier and numerous members of the Canadian sports community, including program users. This independent national program for alternate resolution of disputes that arise in amateur sport was launched under the auspices of the Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport (CCES) and under a partnership between Sport Canada, the Canadian Olympic Association, AthletesCAN and the Commonwealth Games. The Steering Committee wishes also to thank Canadian Heritage and the Secretary of State (Amateur Sport), the Honourable Paul DeVillers, for their financial contribution.

The ADRsportRED program is presently at an interim stage of development and is composed of an independent arbitration and mediation tribunal, a Disputes Secretariat (court office) to administer the hearings, and a resource and documentation centre to assist members of the sports community with using the program. The ADRsportRED program officially opened on January 18, 2002.

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