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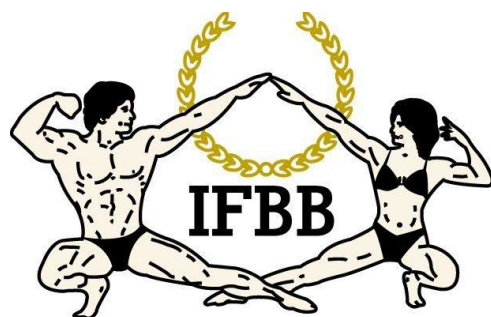
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ARNOLD AMATEUR IFBB INTERNATIONAL BODYBUILDING, FITNESS AND FIGURE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Dear friends in sport:

For the International Federation of Bodybuilding & Fitness is a great honor to be associated through the Arnold Amateur IFBB International Bodybuilding, Fitness and Figure Championships to the program of the prestigious multisport Arnold Classic Weekend.

Arnold Schwarzenegger, the bodybuilding icon, inspired the creation of a dense sport program that, year by year, incorporates new activities to the weekend, promoting new sport talents. Jim Lorimer, and his son Bob, are the master minds behind this renowned success.

The IFBB, in close joined cooperation with our IFBB Vice President for North America, Jim Manion, NPC and Arnold Classic Weekend organization, have settled this championship available for amateur bodybuilding, fitness and bodyfitness competitors.

This championships give unique opportunities to our best international athletes to play an active protagonist role on this weekend, having as well the opportunity to enjoy the dynamic tradeshow, visiting many sport venue sites, and enjoy, in the best spirit of solidarity, a great sport celebration; inspired and encouraged by the successful sport career and life achievements of Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger.

Looking forward to meet all of you in Columbus, Ohio, next February 28th,

With my very best regards,

Your friend,

Rafael Santonja
IFBB President

IN SPORT, THERE ARE NO LIMITATIONS, NO BARRIERS OF RACE, RELIGION, POLITICS OR CULTURE. IN SPORT, WE ARE IN TOUCH WITH EACH OTHER. BODYBUILDING IS IMPORTANT FOR NATION BUILDING."
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From left to right: Dr Rafael (IFBB President) with Mr. Jim Lorimer (Arnold Classic CEO) and Mr. Jim Manion (IFBB Vice-President for North America and Chairman of the IFBB Pro-league)