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ECA CLUB REPRESENTATIVES JOIN UEFA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AS FULL MEMBERS

The 41st Ordinary UEFA Congress in Helsinki has today unanimously approved changes to the UEFA Statutes, which officialise the inclusion of two club representatives in the UEFA Executive Committee as full members with voting rights.

These statutory changes follow the decision of the UEFA Congress in March 2015 to ratify a proposal to allow stakeholder representation in the UEFA Executive Committee. This proposal formed part of the renewed Memorandum of Understanding between ECA and UEFA. Since September 2015, ECA Chairman Karl-Heinz Rummenigge (FC Bayern München) and ECA Executive Board Member Andrea Agnelli (Juventus) attended the UEFA Executive Committee as "co-opted" members.

Today's decision is a major achievement for ECA and a strong statement of UEFA's commitment to modern and dynamic governance models. Most importantly, it is an unequivocal acknowledgement of the clubs' importance and contribution to the European game. Moreover, it underlines and further strengthens the excellent relationship and cooperation between ECA and UEFA.

Commenting on the decision, ECA Chairman Karl-Heinz Rummenigge said:

"The inclusion of club representatives as full members in the UEFA Executive Committee is an important and fair measure that will give even more weight to European club football in the future. Clubs are the basis of football and will now be directly involved in the decision-making process within UEFA. We welcome this decision very much and look forward to a productive and serious cooperation with the representatives of UEFA."

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