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For the attention of  
the President and the General Secretary

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### **Entry to the UEFA Europa League (UEL) season 2020/21 - domestic cup winners**

Dear Sir or Madam,

Further to the adoption of the "*Guidelines on eligibility principles for UEFA Club Competitions – Covid 19*" (Guidelines) by the UEFA Executive Committee last week - which were communicated to you via Circular Letter No. 24/2020 on 24 April 2020 - and in light of the fact that the *Regulations of the UEFA Europa League (2020/21 season)* (UEL Regulations) will come into force on 1 May 2020, the UEFA Executive Committee took today the following decision to address the scenario whereby a National Association is not able to complete a domestic cup and, therefore, cannot determine a domestic cup winner that would enter the 2020/21 UEL:

1. For entry into the 2020/21 UEL, should a National Association prematurely terminate for legitimate reasons (such as those outlined in the Guidelines) a domestic cup and, as a consequence, not be able to determine a domestic cup winner on sporting merit – in application by analogy of Article 3.04 of the UEL Regulations – the highest ranking non-qualified domestic championship club qualifies for the 2020/21 UEL at the stage initially reserved for the lowest ranking top domestic championship representative and, consequently, each representative of the domestic championship then enters the competition at the stage initially reserved for the domestic championship representative ranked immediately above it. The Access List for the 2020/21 UEFA Club Competitions shall be adjusted accordingly.
2. The entry to the 2020/21 UEL in situations where the domestic cup competition has been completed either in its original or with another format and the qualification of the relevant club(s) is obtained with sporting merit, remains unaltered.

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3. The admission process to the 2020/21 UEL and respective criteria as outlined in Article 4 of the UEL Regulations remain valid in all cases.

Yours faithfully,

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Theodore Theodoridis  
General Secretary

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