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For the attention of
the President and the General Secretary

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2006/2007 UEFA Champions League: Solidarity scheme for youth development in clubs

Dear Sir or Madam,

We are pleased to inform you that the 2006/2007 UEFA Champions League solidarity payments to the top leagues of UEFA's member associations are now available and will again be of a minimum amount of EUR 166'700, as was the case last season (CHF 272'700).

In total, the following amounts will be distributed for the 2006/2007 season:

- a) **Leagues with** participants in the 2006/2007 UEFA Champions League (group matches): **EUR 36.0 million**. See Enclosure 1 for distribution.
- b) **Leagues without** participants in the 2006/2007 UEFA Champions League (group matches): **EUR 7.2 million**. See Enclosure 2 for distribution.

With regard to the calculation of the payments, we would kindly ask you to refer to circular letter no. 42 of 12 July 2000 that explains the calculation procedure.

Payments to the league are made through the respective national association, which is required to transfer the full amount to its recognised top league. The league is responsible for distributing the amount in question to its clubs, together with an appropriate acknowledgment of the source of funding. It is suggested that the following information be included in any letter/communication accompanying payments to individual clubs:

“This payment is being made as part of the solidarity scheme associated with the UEFA Champions League. It is aimed at supporting youth development activities in professional football. It complements other UEFA initiatives such as club licensing and the introduction of rules on locally trained players.”

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The associations that have no recognised league (as defined in the official UEFA list of professional league organisations) are responsible for the distribution of the money to the clubs – in such cases, the same conditions apply to the national associations as for the leagues.

To receive the payment, the following four conditions must be fulfilled and all pieces of information sent to UEFA, for the attention of Alex Phillips, Head of Professional Football Services:

1. A copy of the decision of the competent league body (or of the competent association body if there is no league) in one of UEFA's three official languages (English, French, German), specifying the distribution method (equal shares or the quality-related criteria applied) and the validity of the decision (e.g. current season or several seasons).
2. A confirmation that the ultimate payees are solely clubs which:
 - a) comply with, as a minimum, the requirement of an approved youth development programme according to the national club licensing manual accredited by UEFA, and
 - b) did not take part in the 2006/2007 UEFA Champions League (first group stage onwards).
3. A payment request from the national association **before 31 December 2007**, indicating the amount in Euros and the name, position and signature of the competent person in the national association.
4. Information on the exact distribution of the solidarity payments (as a minimum: names of beneficiary clubs, division, amount per club; as a courtesy: indication of overall youth budget for each club):
 - a) for the 2005/2006 season: please confirm that you have used the 2005/2006 monies as decided (as per Enclosure 3 – this enclosure only needs to be completed if it differs from the form you submitted last year);
 - b) the planned distribution for the 2006/2007 season (as per Enclosure 4).

It is up to the competent body of the league (or association) concerned to decide:

- a) If payments should be made to all clubs which are members of the league (e.g. first and/or second division clubs) or only to the clubs which belong to the top division;
- b) If all clubs should receive the same amount or if payments should be graded according to quality-related criteria;
- c) If specific rules should be issued to ensure that this money is used for the purposes required by UEFA.

However, as stated under Point 2 above, the requirement of an approved youth development programme according to the national club licensing manual accredited by UEFA must be fulfilled as a minimum. There should also be an appropriate acknowledgment of the source of funding.

If a request is made by UEFA, the national leagues or national associations must be able to provide the UEFA Administration with evidence at any time that the money has been transferred properly and used appropriately. Please note that, in order to ensure an efficient



system (with no claims dating back from previous seasons), if your submission has not been approved by the UEFA Administration by **30 June 2008** then **the funds in question may no longer be available**.

It may be the case that we wish to communicate the success of this solidarity mechanism to relevant parties (e.g. listing the clubs that have benefited from payments in UEFA publications, etc.). Therefore, as a courtesy, we inform you that we may use some of the information contained within the documents that you have sent to us. Obviously, we would never publish potentially sensitive information such as amounts paid to individual clubs.

Should you have any questions on this circular, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Alex Phillips, Head of Professional Football Services (alex.phillips@uefa.ch).

We would like to thank you in advance for your co-operation in implementing this concept to promote youth football in your clubs.

Yours faithfully,

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David Taylor
General Secretary

Enclosures

- amounts to leagues with UCL participants (Enclosure 1)
- amounts to leagues without UCL participants (Enclosure 2)
- information on last year's and this year's payments (Enclosures 3 and 4)

cc (with Enclosures)

- UEFA Honorary President
- UEFA Executive Committee
- UEFA Club Competitions Committee
- UEFA Development and Technical Assistance Committee
- UEFA Club Licensing Committee
- European members of the FIFA Executive Committee
- FIFA
- European Premier Professional League Organisations



UEFA Champions League, season 2006/07
Solidarity payments to Leagues for youth development in clubs

Amounts to the Leagues with participants in UCL Group Stage

England	EUR	6'515'000
Italy	EUR	6'465'000
Germany	EUR	4'056'000
Spain	EUR	3'861'000
France	EUR	3'409'000
Netherlands.....	EUR	2'670'000
Greece.....	EUR	1'441'000
Turkey.....	EUR	1'318'000
Scotland.....	EUR	1'160'000
Denmark.....	EUR	1'043'000
Belgium.....	EUR	991'000
Portugal.....	EUR	848'000
Romania.....	EUR	642'000
Russia.....	EUR	584'000
Ukraine.....	EUR	542'000
Bulgaria.....	EUR	455'000
Total	EUR	36'000'000



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Amounts to the Leagues without participants in UCL Group Stage

Norway.....	EUR	351'500
Austria.....	EUR	340'800
Poland.....	EUR	308'300
Switzerland.....	EUR	307'200
Sweden.....	EUR	282'900
Israel.....	EUR	243'000
Iceland.....	EUR	225'200
Ireland.....	EUR	224'700
Hungary.....	EUR	218'200
Czech Republic.....	EUR	198'500
Cyprus.....	EUR	195'900
Albania.....	EUR	192'100
Croatia.....	EUR	189'800
Serbia.....	EUR	187'000
Slovenia.....	EUR	180'700
Finland.....	EUR	180'200
Georgia.....	EUR	174'800
Malta.....	EUR	174'300
Slovakia.....	EUR	171'800
Bosnia-Herzegovina.....	EUR	171'700
Kazakhstan.....	EUR	170'500
Armenia.....	EUR	170'300
Macedonia.....	EUR	170'000
Belarus.....	EUR	168'700
Azerbaijan.....	EUR	168'100
Moldova.....	EUR	167'200
Estonia.....	EUR	167'000
Latvia.....	EUR	167'000
Lithuania.....	EUR	167'000
Andorra.....	EUR	166'700
Faroe Islands.....	EUR	166'700
Liechtenstein.....	EUR	166'700
Luxembourg.....	EUR	166'700
Northern Ireland.....	EUR	166'700
San Marino.....	EUR	166'700
Wales.....	EUR	166'700
TOTAL.....	EUR	7'201'300

