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Dear Mr. Martinetti,

I would like to sincerely thank you for congratulating the Russian MMA Union on the recognition of MMA as an official sport in Russia. I am sure this is a significant step forward in the development of MMA in our country.

I would also like to assure you that all the necessary effort will be applied to popularize MMA on both national and international levels.

I greatly appreciate your offer to become a part of the organization you are a head of. It is truly an honor.

However, I have to bring to your attention that based on the decision of the Russian MMA Union Board, the Union has already become affiliated with the World MMA Association (WMMAA) which currently unites over 20 countries.

Concurrently, during the inaugural WMMAA congress which was recently held in Moscow, a decision was made for WMMAA to enter FIAS as an associate member.

On November 13-14 in St. Petersburg, Russia, under the auspices of WMMAA and with the direct participation of the Russian MMA Union, the European Open Amateur MMA Championship will be held. This competition will gather the best amateur MMA athletes from Europe and around the world.

I am delighted to let you know that we are always open for constructive cooperation and dialog which I hope, will lead to a valuable contribution in the development of MMA worldwide.

Yours sincerely,
Fedor Emelianenko
President