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To all ISDA Board members,

The Council of the International Sheep Dog Society (ISDS) has been informed that the ISDA Board is not fully complying with the requirements laid out in the letter dated 26<sup>th</sup> October 2018. In particular, it appears that:

- 1. No attempt has been made to liaise and co-operate with ISDS and SISD members, or currently banned members in regard to the appointment of an independent arbitrator. This appointment needs to be made before agreeing to the date and venue for the EGM. This is necessary in order to ensure that the date and venue agreed are acceptable to whoever is appointed to be the arbitrator.
- 2. The date and venue for the EGM appears to have been finalised without consultation and the prior agreement of the other interested parties. This was not what council directed and is therefore unacceptable.
- 3. The ISDA letter notifying the date, venue and details of the EGM has not been shared with and communicated to SISD, the ISDS members or ISDA banned members as requested. Currently this information only appears on the ISDA website and Facebook page. Council asked that this information was to be circulated to all interested parties, including the above mentioned, immediately after the arbitrator has been appointed and the date and venue agreed by everyone.

Council wishes to emphasise to the ISDA Board that the protocols outlined in their previous communications must be adhered to without deviation. Any attempt to evade or ignore Council's wishes will result in further sanctions, that may include the non-renewal of ISDS memberships being applied to all Board members, and the Associate status may be rescinded.

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## Response to ISDA President, Len van der Velden Pinto's letter of 31<sup>st</sup> October 2018: -

The ISDS is not concerned with the internal problems and disputes between the various factions in Italy. Its only concern is that the ISDS Associate Society in Italy is managed democratically by a properly elected Board. Council has already stated that failure to meet this expectation will result in the severest sanctions being applied. Please communicate only officially, in writing by post or email, to the office and not to any individual. <u>Office@isds.org.uk</u>

Yours sincerely

Matthew Pemberton ISDS Executive Manager

- 1. Len van de Velden Pinto, ISDA President
- 2. Samuele Manzi, ISDA Vice President
- 3. Daniele Taglioni, Chairman of SIDS
- 4. Carla Bassani, SIDS
- 5. Luca Fini, Founder of SIDS
- 6. Laura Piperno, Past President and co-founder of ISDA
- 7. ISDS members in based in Italy