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MEDIA RELEASE

Doping Control Test Numbers Up in 2003

(Ottawa, Ontario – April 7, 2004) – Canada's Doping Control Program again raised the bar for effective deterrence in 2003, with a record number of 1,556 unannounced tests. The Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport (CCES), the administrator of the program, also reported record high numbers of domestic tests and of tests on Canadian athletes. Nine infractions resulted.

The core of the program is a planned distribution of tests among athletes from sports across the nation. In 2003, the CCES conducted 2,106 tests in its domestic program, a 30% increase over 2002. Jeremy Luke, Senior Manager of the Doping Control Program, said that "the CCES plans to further increase its number of domestic tests for the year 2004 to ensure that Canadian athletes continue to benefit from a world-leading doping control program."

The CCES provides fee-for-service testing for international events held in Canada, this year doubling the number of tests to 528. Other fee-for-service work totalled 41 tests. The organization also supported the World Anti-Doping Agency's (WADA) out-of-competition program with 237 tests, and conducted 37 tests on behalf of other national anti-doping organizations and international federations. These tests included a significant portion of foreign athletes.

A blood sampling pilot project drew a total of 56 samples in 2003, 17 of them for WADA. Blood sampling will be an integral part of the new Canadian Anti-Doping Program when it comes into effect on June 1, 2004.

Nine doping infractions were reported: four in the sport of bodybuilding, two in boxing, and one each in wrestling, bobsleigh and college football. One was a second infraction, resulting in a lifetime suspension.

Results of further analysis of approximately 200 urine samples in December for the substances modafinil and/or tetrahydrogestrinone (THG) were negative.

The CCES is an independent, national, non-profit organization. Our mission, to promote ethical conduct in all aspects of sport in Canada, is carried out through research, promotion, education, detection and deterrence, as well as through programs and partnerships with other organizations.

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*For more information, please see the attached "2003 Doping Control Statistics" or contact
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2003 DOPING CONTROL STATISTICS

Canadian Athletes Tested by Sport

Sport	U	A	Total	Infrac-tions
Alpine Ski	4	8	12	
Archery	6	10	16	
Athletics	73	74	147	
Badminton	24	0	24	
Baseball	12	6	18	
Basketball	30	3	33	
Biathlon	4	10	14	
Bobsleigh	31	31	62	1
Bodybuilding	9	48	57	4
Boxing	26	6	32	2
Canoe-Kayak	37	29	66	
CIS: Basketball	32	10	42	
CIS: Field Hockey	6	0	6	
CIS: Football	140	6	146	1
CIS: Ice Hockey	57	6	63	
CIS: Soccer	21	0	21	
CIS: Swimming	12	0	12	
CIS: Track & Field	21	4	25	
CIS: Volleyball	27	0	27	
CIS: Wrestling	8	4	12	
CCAA: Basketball	27	4	31	
CCAA: Football	54	8	62	
CCAA: Soccer	0	8	8	
CCAA: Volleyball	28	12	40	
Cross Country Ski	8	10	18	
Curling	3	13	16	
Cycling	56	52	108	
Diving	10	11	21	
Equestrian	9	12	21	
Fencing	6	8	14	
Field Hockey	45	10	55	
Figure Skating	14	8	22	
Freestyle Ski	0	7	7	
Goalball	0	2	2	
Gymnastics	23	17	40	

U Unannounced

A Announced

Sport	U	A	Total	Infrac-tions
Hockey	22	14	36	
Inline Hockey	10	0	10	
Judo	62	30	92	
Junior Football	64	16	80	
Karate	6	8	14	
Lacrosse	0	2	2	
Luge	2	2	4	
Powerlifting	0	3	3	
Racquetball	3	0	3	
Rhythmic Gymnastics	5	5	10	
Ringette	0	10	10	
Rowing	61	26	87	
Rugby	21	6	27	
Shooting	9	13	22	
Snowboarding	17	0	17	
Soccer	25	0	25	
Softball	26	11	37	
Speed Skating	33	50	83	
Squash	6	12	18	
Swimming	73	66	139	
Synchro Swim	25	6	31	
Table Tennis	10	9	19	
Taekwondo	7	30	37	
Team Handball	11	0	11	
Ten Pin Bowling	1	0	1	
Tennis	9	0	9	
Triathlon	21	11	32	
Volleyball	48	0	48	
Waterpolo	30	1	31	
Water Ski	5	10	15	
Weightlifting	36	13	39	
Wheelchair Basketball	6	4	10	
Wheelchair Rugby	0	4	4	
Wrestling	44	20	64	1
Yachting	5	0	5	
Total	1,556	819	2,375	9

Infractions

Athlete	Gender	Sport	Infraction Date	Reinstatement Date
Befas, Nicholas	M	Bodybuilding	August 9, 2003	August 9, 2007
Berlingeri, Dante	M	Wrestling	May 3, 2003	May 3, 2007
Gottfried, Derrick	M	Bodybuilding	October 3, 2003	October 3, 2007
Grano, Robert	M	Bodybuilding	August 9, 2003	August 9, 2007
Herbert, Kendra	F	Bobsleigh	November 8, 2003	February 8, 2004
Kirkpatrick, Brenda	F	Bodybuilding	July 5, 2003	July 5, 2007
Medler, Derek	M	CIS: Football	November 8, 2003	November 8, 2007
Walchuk, Michael	M	Boxing	May 10, 2003	May 10, 2007
Walchuk, Michael	M	Boxing	July 22, 2003	lifetime suspension