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Protecting Integrity of Football Remains a Priority for CONCACAF

Wednesday, May 14, 2014 - Miami -- Protecting the integrity of the game was top of mind during a joint FIFA-INTERPOL Workshop, officially opened by CONCACAF President and FIFA Vice President, Jeffrey Webb.

"Having recently signed an MoU with INTERPOL, we remain committed to educate, identify, prevent and provide appropriate disciplinary sanctions to all professionals involved in any unethical and unlawful behaviour that would undermine the game," said the CONCACAF President.

The workshop, entitled '*Train the Trainer for Football Players and Referees*' will be delivered over a 3-day period by INTERPOL's Integrity in Sport Programme Manager, Julie Norris. The course, which is aligned with INTERPOL's Guide for Effective Training to ensure consistency of standards globally, has over 25 participants from a cross section of areas within CONCACAF, and a Major League Soccer Representative.

"Interpol is pleased to help enhance CONCACAF's capacity and that of its Member Associations in training targets of match-fixers to recognize, resist and report approaches, to ultimately preventing match-fixing," said Dr. Norris.

Upon completion of the course, participants will be able to facilitate the recognition of match fixing propositions and specifically address issues of corruption.

"This is the fourth workshop on sports integrity in our region since 2012, and we embrace the opportunity to share this knowledge with key stakeholders, to keep the sanctity of our game intact," added Webb.