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Dear Jeanette,

Thank you for your letter of 27 May.

You are quite correct that all member clubs are subject to the terms of the Scottish FA's Articles as a consequence of that membership.

In response to your various queries I can advise you as follows:-

- 1) As per the terms of Scottish FA Article 35, all clubs in full or associate membership shall comply with the requirements of club licensing.
- 2) A UEFA Licence is not transferrable and this is highlighted in the UEFA Regulations at Article 14 para 3 which states unequivocally " A Licence cannot be transferred".
- 3) All clubs are required to provide financial information for a 3 year period as per the terms of 8.1.2 of the National Criteria. All clubs are assessed against the terms of the criteria and it is then a matter for the Licensing Committee to determine compliance or otherwise.
- 4) Yes. The process of providing UEFA with any changes in the corporate structure for one of our members would fall to the Scottish FA. Annex 1 of UEFA FFP at Section B para 4 highlights the process to be followed.
- 5) We would provide the facts of the case to UEFA as per the terms of Annex 1 as referred to above. Any decision in relation to UEFA Article 12 is then a matter for UEFA to determine.
- 6) The UEFA and National licensing systems both apply to all SPL member clubs. The process for us to follow in determining whether a licence may be granted involves an assessment of any member club against the terms of the criteria and a decision via the Licensing Committee (LC). The LC is the body that determines whether a club meets the terms of the criteria taking all matters in to account at that time.
- 7) No. There is one licensing process that applies for both licences.
- 8) I am assuming that you refer to a National Licence rather than a UEFA one. In such a scenario it will be for the SPL to determine and apply its own rules. There are of course a number of financial provisions within the SPL rules which closely resemble those set out by UEFA.
- 9) As previously confirmed, all member clubs are bound by the Scottish FA Articles. Not all Article breaches bring with them suspension or withdrawal of membership however.

Yours faithfully

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE

