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Natalie Walker	Independent Observer (via Zoom)

GROUP WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS SELECTION MEETING

All participants introduced themselves to open the meeting.

The Overall Goal of the World Championships was reviewed together (Statement of Principles).

The selection criteria was reviewed step-by-step (I.C.2.):

a. Selection of the Group

- *The top-ranked Group at the 2022 World Selection Event will be named to the 2022 World Championships team:*

Members of the top-ranked Group who competed during the Championships:

- *Gergana Petkova*
- *Hana Starkman*
- *Emily Wilson*
- *Karoline Saverino*
- *Katrine Sahknov*
- *Maria Bolkhovitinova*
- *Nicole Khoma*

b. Selection of the Group's Athletes

Groups are comprised of six (6) athletes, five (5) of whom compete on each of the Group's two events. More than six (6) athletes may be

training with a Group; therefore, once the Group has been selected, the six (6) athletes who will be named to the 2022 World Championships team will be identified by the Group's Head Coach at the conclusion the 2022 USA Gymnastics Championships for approval by the ASC. In making this determination, the criteria outlined in Section II. will be evaluated.

The Discretionary criteria was reviewed (II.B.):

- *Readiness to compete—current health status and physical preparedness of each gymnast: Margarita's notes: **Khoma competed very well, she is still returning to full readiness following injury recovery; Sakhnov was managing ankle pain.***
- *Ability to contribute to the Group dynamic: **Margarita's notes: in the training Petkova, Starkman, Wilson, Saverino, Sakhnov are the most consistent.***
- *Consistency/hit routines at USA Gymnastics Championships
 - A "hit" routine: all Difficulty elements are completed without loss or fall (**Margarita's notes: improvements, still needing further consistency across the board**)*
- *Results from the 2022 USA Gymnastics Championships*
- *Previous proven international and national results in 2022: **Margarita's notes: in competition, Petkova, Starkman, Wilson, Saverino, Sakhnov have been most consistent thus far internationally.***
- *World Class presentation: the strength, endurance, technical execution standard and artistic components commensurate with World and Olympic presentation: Margarita's notes: **all gymnasts demonstrate strengths and weaknesses here***

Recommended World Team (1st-5th): Petkova, Starkman, Wilson, Saverino, Sahknov

Discussion regarding competing with 5 gymnasts in both events with the 6th as a replacement or competing with 6: the final team composition is foreseen as 5 with continued analysis of training and competition (Pan American Championships and Romania). Per the procedure requirement, six will be named. Discussion about naming the 6th athlete.

Margarita's notes: there is not enough current competitive performances to decide with certainty. Given the timing of this meeting, the following will be named:

6th: Bolkhovitinova

Kohma remains in training and is part of the pool of athletes eligible to serve as a replacement per the procedures.

Noted: per the Selection Procedures I, C, 3, b: The final line-up determination will be made by the Group's Head Coach prior to the final FIG registration deadline and may include five or six competing athletes.

Per the procedures:

Approval by the ASC members