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**To**  
**All WFIS Member Associations**

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*Dear brothers and sisters in Scouting,*

*As another year draws to the end, it's time to look back on the fun that has been had throughout the past 12 months, on Big camps in our regions around the world with a lot of happy Scouts and Guides, training courses in the various WFIS regions, support for members in several countries, Train the Trainer Courses and lots more organized by the various Regional Councils and the World Council.*

*Some new scout associations from all over the world have joined our federation and some more joined us as prospective members, we welcome them all into our worldwide Scouting Family.*

*Regional Councils host their General Assemblies and elections of the Steering Committees. The WFIS World Council appreciate the outstanding good work of the various Regional Councils and we wish the new elected Steering Committee members and lot of strength and passion for their future work,*

*In 2018 we will celebrate several highlights – the PANJAM of the WFIS Americas Region, the Eurocamp of the WFIS Europe Region and an International WB Training in India per example. We look forward to seeing you at one of these events.*

*Some internal issues will take our attention and need to be discussed between our Member Associations, the Regional Councils and the World Council.*

*Sad news reached us during this year; some Scout Brothers passed away, good old Scouters from our World Scout Family who are seriously sick stay in hospital and political conflicts around the globe which affect our scouting life.*

*Now, at a very busy time of year, may the message of Christmas fill your life with joy and peace. Please take a little time to do a prayer for our members who stay in hospital and think of those who has lost a family member. Look after our own association, your group, your Guides and Scouts, your families and remember the spirit of Scouting given to all of us by our founder Lord Baden Powell.*

*Thank you for being part of our Worldwide Scouting family.*

*In the name of the WFIS Council, we wish you, your family and your members*

## *A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year*

*Yours in traditional Scouting for the WFIS World Council*

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