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Passing of WT Vice President, Gen. Ahmed Fouly

Dear Colleagues,

I am deeply saddened to inform you that Gen. Ahmed Fouly, vice president of World Taekwondo, has passed away.

Today, we lost a great man of Taekwondo. Since 2001 when he became a member of the WT Council, and especially since 2004 when I appointed him as vice president of World Taekwondo, Gen. Fouly dedicated his life to elevating our beloved martial art and sport to what we are today – one of the best governed Olympic and Paralympic international sport federations in the world.

In his capacity as president of Taekwondo Africa, Gen. Fouly oversaw the meteoric rise of Taekwondo in the region. Five medals from Africa under his leadership at the Rio 2016 Olympic Games truly demonstrated the universality of Taekwondo to the world. Taekwondo is now one of the most popular sports in Africa, and continue to produce champions on and off the mat.

But perhaps more importantly, for those of us who know Gen. Fouly personally, we have lost a great friend and brother. Throughout my presidency and especially in my personal life, Gen. Fouly was one of the most trusted, trustworthy, and supportive friends that anyone could have had. I was truly blessed to have met Gen. Fouly and to have called him my brother.

Our brother may be gone, but his contributions to Taekwondo will never be forgotten. My memories of Gen. Fouly and love for him as my brother will never be forgotten.

Till we meet again, my brother, rest in peace.

Sincerely yours,

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