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Dear friends, lovers of canoe slalom,

Czech Canoe Union is proud that the next European Championships in canoe slalom will be held in Prague in June 2018.

We are preparing carefully the program which will be distributed to all European federations soon. We have one big problem: due to ICF decision to cancel C2 men category from Olympic program we are afraid that such an exciting category disappears into the canoe cemetery.

We, Czech Canoe Union (CCU) as more than 100 years old federation, don't want to be the one which definitely kills C2 men. We hope that Prague will not be their last official event and we would like to organize the ECA Championships with all the respect to them.

According of such an attitude of CCU we prefer to stay with our proposed schedule including C2 men for semi-final and final and organize finals of this category together with other events to be part of the TV Broadcast. We believe that there will be enough boats for some semi-final and 10 boats for the final. To achieve these numbers, we are asking ECA officials to do their best to call their member federations to bring theirs C2 men boats to Prague.

Maybe for the last time (I hope not) we show support and respect for the top athletes and lovers of C2 in Prague during the ECA Championships. We really hope that all strong European federations with long history of C2 will support our attitude.

Best regards,

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Chairman of wild water section of CCU