



## **HOLDING STATEMENT (asap after confirmation of incident)**

We are aware of reports/we are getting reports of a serious incident at [xxxxxx]. We are in direct communication with the organising committee and the local authorities. At this stage, our only concern is for the safety and welfare of all those who are at the event, including our horses. A further statement will be provided as soon as we have additional information.

## **SECOND STATEMENT - 30/40 minutes**

### **Statement from FEI President or Secretary/General:**

We have learned, with the deepest regret, that there have been a number of fatalities and injured people and horses following the very serious incident at [xxxxx]. All of our thoughts are with the loved ones of those who have died and also with those who have been involved in the incident. We continue to be in close contact with the organising committee and the local authorities, and are supporting the organising committee in every way that we can.

(If emergency number available): We understand that the police in [xxxx] have issued an emergency number to call, so if you are concerned about a loved one at the event please dial this number [xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx]

We will keep you updated as soon as we have further information.

### **Notes to Editors:**

The [xxx] event has been a part of the international calendar for [xx] years. The [x] day event began on [xx/xx/xx].