



TO: Board of Directors and Members of USA Team Handball 1/15/18

I wanted you all to know I'll be stepping down from the Presidency of USA Team Handball at the upcoming Board of Directors meeting. It's been a 4 year run and obviously an interesting time. As you may know, I took on the presidency with the suggestion of many former players and others from my USOC tenure as well as those involved in the '84 Games. Mike Lenard, Bob Djokovich, team members from the Academies, Mike Cavanaugh and others have been helpful in rebuilding the federation from what was a scattered organization into a responsible and effective body.

USA Team Handball has accomplished a lot these past years, and I thank ALL who have helped to bring handball to a better place. I leave it to others to list the many accomplishments achieved these past 4 years, but special thanks to all the volunteers across America who continue to contribute to our sport at every level. The important thing going forward is for our governing body to be prepared for future competitions including Olympic Games in 2020, 2024, and 2028. I believe it's best to now bring in new leadership including capable board members to meet the challenges ahead.

Our plan is for Bob Djokovich to step in as acting president for a 60 day period during which a new president would be selected and Board seats are filled. I've truly enjoyed these past years especially the time spent with our athletes, coaches and others. I believe Handball can put forward a winning program with adequate funding and great leadership. Financial support remains the single biggest challenge to the organization.

Again, my thanks to all those that have made these past years so special.

Harvey



Member, U.S. Olympic Committee