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To whom it may concern

Introducing a new vision for ITF World Tennis Tour tournaments in Slovenia

As the governing body that sanctions international professional tennis tournaments on the ITF World Tennis Tour, the ITF has been proud of and inspired by the significant growth of tournaments by Tenis Slovenija in recent years. During my visits to various tennis venues across Slovenia (Portoroz, Loper, Otocec, Maribor), I have been impressed by the quality and calibre of the tennis infrastructure supporting these professional events.

From the absence of ITF World Tennis Tour events in 2019, and then expanding to three tournaments in 2021, 11 in 2022, 13 in 2023, and now an impressive 20 tournaments in 2024—with a total prize fund of \$485,000—Slovenia has allied growth in tournaments to an unwavering commitment to excellence. Consistently high standards, positive feedback from players, and Tenis Slovenija's vision, make the ITF and Tenis Slovenija important partners.

The objectives of the ITF and Tenis Slovenija are closely aligned. Together, we have worked to provide essential tournaments for elite female players, including the \$60,000 events in Maribor and Koper, while strategically scheduling tournaments during summer to minimise player costs. For the men, Tenis Slovenija has organised two \$25,000 tournaments in Branik and ŽTK Maribor, the pinnacle of the men's competitive season in Slovenia. We support Tenis Slovenija in its aim for higher level tournaments.

In this context, we were particularly excited to learn about Tenis Slovenija's innovative initiative to extend its World Tennis Tour project by hosting tournaments along Slovenia's railway network. This concept not only brings significant environmental and sustainability benefits—an increasingly crucial aspect of tennis—but also offers a creative solution to reducing costs for players while presenting a unique marketing opportunity. The ITF fully endorses this business plan, which has the potential to be a model for other countries.

We would greatly value your support in advancing this project. I sincerely hope we have the opportunity to discuss this further and meet in your city next year.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Andrew Moss', with a horizontal line underneath.

Andrew Moss
Executive Director, ITF World Tennis Tour and Data Rights