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Dear President,

Congratulations on the excellent initiative to hold the first ever World Orienteering Day on 11 May 2016. Your ambitious programme will put orienteering on the map. Most importantly, you will inspire young people around the world with the values of sport and healthy lifestyles.

The activities that the International Orienteering Federation is organising on this occasion are well aligned with a key objective of Olympic Agenda 2020: engaging youth through sport. The strong focus on involving schools and teachers around World Orienteering Day is an innovative way to combine sport and education.

Let me wish you much success in your quest to establish a new record in participant numbers on World Orienteering Day. It is thanks to such efforts and using the power of sport to bring people together that orienteering will have a bright future.

The IOF has been a member of the Olympic Movement since 1977, and the International Olympic Committee looks forward to continuing the collaboration between our two organisations to promote the practice of sport and make it available to everyone, everywhere.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to be "Thomas Bach".