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The direction of the Bairrada Adventure Club (CAB), gathered to assess the current state of the COVID-19 pandemic and the possible influence on the organization of the races undertaken by the Club, decided to cancel the OriTrail Rogaine race on February 5th and the event BOM MTBO 2022 on March 12th and 13th.

The decision was based on the following principles:

- the Club CAB is responsible for defending the well-being and health of its members as well as all those who may come to participate in the organized events;
- the worst-case scenario predicted by the health authorities puts as a possible number 130,000 daily cases of COVID-19 infections at the end of January, just some days away from one of the races;
- that the decisions taken may not severely affect the participants, because in a pandemic process, today's right is tomorrow's wrong and uncertainty in the procedures and attitudes of authorities is constant;
- the possible consequences for those involved in organizing and participating in the events including resident populations should be fully reduced;
- the country's external and internal environment caused by the pandemic is not propitious to travel;
- as the MTB race of the World Ranking, of the World Ranking of Veterans and Youth, we want to avoid as much as possible the embarrassment of a possible cancellation of the race closer to the date, as participants have already booked flights, accommodation and car rental knowing all the inconvenience that could cause;
- the prevention of health risks is an essential factor in minimizing the consequences of our actions;
- the indefinición of advances and setbacks is affecting the quality and planning of events;
- the image of the Club CAB, the parishes involved, the partner entities, supervisors, the FPO and the IOF cannot be called into question by possible late decisions.

We conclude by saying that other opportunities will come and that we will do everything to continue carrying out the events with the quality already recognized by you.

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