



**Press Release
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2011 DEAFLYMPICS REINSTATED BY THE ICSD

MONTREAL, QC – July 26, 2010 – The Board of Directors of the Canadian Deaf Sports Association are pleased to announce the 2011 Deaflympics in High Tatras, Slovakia have been reinstated, after recently being cancelled by the International Committee for Sports for the Deaf.

The 2011 Deaflympics will be held February 18- 26, 2011 in High Tatras, Slovakia. The CDSA is anticipating a full team component for the S2011 Games with representation in hockey, curling, alpine skiing, snowboarding.

Kathy Russell, Chef de Mission for Team Canada states, *“This is great news for all Deaf Canadians who have been training hard to compete at the 2011 Deaflympics. We are honored to be able to participate and I am excited to continue planning for this prestigious event”*.

The Executive Director of the CDSA stated early today, *“The CDSA is relieved that all deaf Canadian athletes are being given the opportunity to participate at the Deaflympics in Slovakia. We are pleased both groups have come to terms and look forward to representing Canada at the highest level”*, Kim Rizzi added.

Fall training camps are already planned in the sports of hockey and curling. Both national teams have had their selection camps earlier in the 2010. Alpine Skiing and Snowboarding athletes will be selected in a national selection camp in the late fall/winter.

For more information on the 2011 Deaflympics in Slovakia, please see their updated website at: <http://www.deaflympics2011.com>

For more information about the CDSA and our programs, please contact our website at www.assc-cdsa.com.

The Canadian Deaf Sports Association (CDSA) is a non-profit, private corporation recognized by the International Committee of Sports for the Deaf (ICSD). The CDSA delivers programs that will bring awareness to Canadians, elite athletes including send teams to the Pan American Games for the Deaf and Deaflympics. The CDSA empowers the individuals with hearing loss of 55 db in each of both ears at all levels of sports.

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