

ACTION REQUIRED - Banska Bystrica Lions Club

Dear Lion Modranský,

The Legal Division has received your email below acknowledging the Banska Bystrica Lions Club will not be taking necessary action against a member engaged in behavior deemed by the International Board of Directors to be conduct unbecoming a Lion. **Therefore, the Banska Bystrica Lions Club shall be placed in status quo effective immediately for failure to comply with the purposes of the association.**

As you may be aware, Status quo is a temporary suspension of the charter, rights, privileges, and obligations of a Lions club. The Executive Administrator and divisions as designated by the Executive Administrator, acting on behalf of the International Board of Directors, has authority to place a Lions club in status quo or release it from status quo. The objective of status quo is to stop the activity of the club that is not fulfilling the obligations of a chartered club until the reason for placement into status quo is resolved or the club is cancelled. Specifically, the Board Policy Manual, Chapter V, Paragraph C.1. provides

When a club or its members are reported to have committed a serious action such as, but not limited to, the filing of litigation or failure to solve club disputes the club may be placed immediately in status quo.

a. While in status quo, the club cannot:

- (1) Conduct service activities
- (2) Conduct fund-raising activities
- (3) Participate in district, multiple district, or international functions or seminars
- (4) Participate in any voting procedures outside of the club
- (5) Endorse or nominate a candidate for district, multiple district and international office
- (6) Submit the Monthly Membership Report and other report forms
- (7) Sponsor a Lions club, or organize a Leo club or a Lioness club

b. In order for a status quo club to regain the status of good standing, the club must:

- (1) Correct the reason for which the club was placed in status quo**
- (2) Pay all outstanding balances in the district, multiple district and international accounts
- (3) Submit a completed Reactivation Report to report membership and leadership changes if needed**
- (4) The recommendation to release a status quo club shall be made at any time of the year

As the Banska Bystrica Lions Club has been placed in status quo, the Lions club is not permitted conduct any service or fundraising activities, or to vote on any matters outside of the club. Please note the Banska Bystrica Lions Club may only be returned to good standing if it complies with the prior obligations of the Lions club and either removes Pavol Mora as a member of the Lions club and confirming removal by submitting a new Membership Report on behalf of the club, or for the club to provide sufficient evidence demonstrating Pavol Mora has withdrawn the litigation filed. Failure to address this matter as required under board policy on or before October 22, 2020 will result in cancellation of the Banska Bystrica Lions Club's charter.

Please understand this email is not intended to be insensitive to the members of the Banska Bystrica Lions Club, but is required by the policies and procedures established by the International Board of Directors.

Kindest regards,

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Dear Mr. Kingsbury,

In your ACTION REQUIRED dated 17.9.2020, you are asking our club BANSKA BYSTRICA LC to terminate the membership of our lion member Pavol Mora due to an alleged violation of the rules set by the IBoD. We consider this method of communication unfortunate and issue the following opinion:

BANSKA BYSTRICA LC considers it standard in this case to hear both parties. Therefore, at our meeting of the club in October 2020, we will discuss this issue and take a position after hearing our lion member Pavol Mora MJF.

We will then inform you of the result.

Yours sincerely

Lion Marek Modransky, Club President 2020-21
BANSKA BYSTRICA LC

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