



WPA Athletes  
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**Re.: 2023 CBSA CHINESE BILLIARDS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP IS NOT  
SANCTIONED BY THE WPA**

Dear Pool Athletes,

As you may be aware, the Chinese Billiards & Snooker Association (CBSA) has announced that they will host the 2023 CBSA Chinese Billiards World Championship in Yushan County, Shangrao City, Jiangxi Province from 2 to 16 December.

You may have been invited to participate, maybe you already have announced your participation in the event, maybe you are still considering whether you will enter the tournament, or not? Irrespective of which, please be advised that this event has not been sanctioned by the WPA. Whilst it is advertised as a Billiards event, the discipline being played is better known as Chinese Pool, or as it is officially called by the WPA, Heyball.

The fact that it is an international Pool event which requires sanctioning by the WPA, that is reinforced by the CBSA referring to the tournament as a World Championship.

In addition, please be advised that this event does not have the support or endorsement of the Asian Confederation of Billiard Sports (ACBS), the WPA member and the governing body for Pool in Asia, nor is it sanctioned by the WPA directly. It is therefore important that you are aware that your participation in the tournament will be in breach of your WPA players license and may result in you being unable to play in WPA sanctioned events in the future.

We are writing to you to ensure that you are making informed choices.

Yours Sincerely,

**JORGEN SANDMAN**  
WPA General Secretary