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## 2020 World Travel Championship Postpones April 17<sup>th</sup> Start Date

**Los Angeles, USA – 2 March 2020** – The 2020 edition of *The Global Scavenger Hunt*, the annual around the world event that crowns *The World's Greatest Travelers™* in the world travel championship, has postponed its April 17<sup>th</sup> start date.

“Due to increased concerns and uncertainty regarding the coronavirus multiplying around the world, and our lack of clarity looking forward towards our April 17<sup>th</sup> start date, we have sadly had to take the precautionary measure of postponing the 16<sup>th</sup> edition of The Global Scavenger Hunt,” Event Director, William Chalmers, said Monday.

The world travel championship around the world event, known since 2000 as *The Global Scavenger Hunt*, was set to take place between April 17 and May 9, 2020, with teams ready to begin the event in Mexico City and finish in Toronto after visiting 10 secret countries in between while circumnavigating the globe. The annual event takes savvy adventurers on *A Blind Date with the World™*.

“A sad day for us,” continued Chalmers, “As well as for our 15-teams of international globetrotters who were poised and eager to begin the event; but the environment of uncertainty is just too much for us, and our travelers, to endure. We will postpone the event until the dust settles and we can better see the future and where this global virus is headed.”

“We will attempt to reschedule our 2020 event this fall, depending on the pandemic’s spread and the various governmental responses to it.” Stated William Chalmers, the events creator and author, “But today, there is simply too much uncertainty and worry with cancelled flights, border entry issues, event and venue closures, let alone general panic and media hysteria, for us in good conscious to proceed in less than 60-days’ time. The health and well-being of our travelers has to be our number one priority. Sadly, this event is all about meeting interesting people and *trusting strangers in strange lands...*and this two-month old outbreak is beginning to make that itself a less possible outcome.”

The annual event is limited to 15 teams of two travelers; the \$25,000 per team entry fee includes: all international airfare, First Class hotels, 40+% of meals, and special event travel gear. Travelers are interviewed for suitability and single travelers are welcome to apply.

Aside from the free trip around the world, *The World's Greatest Travelers™ trophy* and bragging rights as the first place prize, teams also travel a million kilometers to help raise funds for charities that provide micro-loans and build co-ed elementary schools in nations like: Kenya, Niger, Sri Lanka, Sierra Leone and Ecuador.

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