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Dear all,

I am hugely disappointed to announce that after numerous discussions with the R&A, North Berwick Golf Club, our sponsors and Buckingham Palace, it is with huge regret that we have decided to cancel this year's Duke of York Young Champions Trophy.

As I'm sure you are all aware, an enormous amount of work and money goes into staging the tournament and over the years, we feel that we have built a very strong mixed event of which The Duke and the team are all very proud of. Despite our strong ranking, our overriding aim has always been to promote junior golf, for both boys and girls, from as many countries around the world as possible. With different nations at different stages of the coronavirus pandemic and the uncertainty surrounding travel (particularly UK quarantine), social distancing and other possible measures, it has become clear that it is unlikely that the tournament would be able to go ahead in its full form. Our main sponsor and each constituent part of our whole set up felt strongly that if we were forced to compromise by having to put on a significantly scaled down event, we should not stage it at all. Of course, the circumstances, although highly unlikely, may be normal by September but the financial and planning implications of taking that risk are simply too high to bear.

It is hugely disappointing for all concerned but I hope you understand that the continued uncertainty all over the world has put us in an impossible position. Next year's tournament is due to take place at Royal Liverpool and we will send further details out in due course. In the meantime, we hope you stay safe and well and we look forward to seeing you all again in 2021.

Kind regards,

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--Best regards,

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