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To whom it may concern,

It is hereby declared that Federação Portuguesa de Escalada e Montanhismo – FPME (Portuguese Climbing and Mountaineering Federation) has collaborated with the Portuguese edition of National Geographic magazine, both as a privileged source of information on climbing and mountaineering issues, as well as in the scientific review of features produced by the North American edition, helping us to adapt the content to the terminology in use in our country.

Since 2011, FPME has been responsible for 14 scientific reviews (May 2011 - Vertical Challenge; November 2011 - High risk descent; April 2012 - K2 climb; June 2013 - Mount Everest; August 2013 - Krubera Cave; October 2013 - Antarctica indomitable; January 2014 - Climbing in Oman; August 2014 - China limestone caves; November 2014 - Accident in Nepal; Dark Star Uzbekistan March 2017; Alex Honnold March 2019; Mulu Caves August 2019; North Everest and Everest Expedition July 2020), showing from the first contact great openness and availability for the requested collaborations that, until this date, have always been gracious with the unique counterpart of including the name of the FPME in the magazine's technical file.

We emphasize the fact that FPME is currently part of the expert's panel of our team, which, on a monthly basis, seeks to reconcile the commitment to provide readers with innovative and unprecedented reports without neglecting the correct scientific dissemination of each discipline. As a result of its experience, and that of the elements that compose it, FPME has shown to be up to the challenges of contemporary dissemination of science to increasingly dispersed audiences, challenges substantiated in the need to combine rigor in the presentation of content with the interest of the materials to be disseminated and the accessibility of language and concepts.

Best Regards

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