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B.3	IRL	The agreed EEF proposal is for a maximum of 200 starters per day. It was agreed that above this number it would be impossible to have any control over the ride irrespective of the number of officials available. 200 starters means a potential 1200 people in a crewing area + 200 horses + officials.

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B.3	NED	<p>It is unclear whether combinations are supposed to start individually or in groups at a set time or if they can start at their own convenience. This should be clarified. There is a risk that combinations will strategically start late and 'hunt' for the combinations who started earlier. When they catch up, they will be sure of a shorter ride time and higher classification.</p> <p>This would lead to high speeds (especially in the beginning of the course) and risks to horse welfare. A safer alternative would be to divide the starters in groups, each with their own classification and mass start.</p>
B.3	NED	Normally this shouldn't be a problem. With the participation of more and more Asian countries at Championships, what will the FEI do with the maximum number of starters if over 40 countries will participate at the World Championship?
B.3	NOR	We think that 400 starter per day are too much, suggest only 200 starters per day.
B.3	NZL	<p>This proposed rule change would have no impact in New Zealand as we never have that many entries. In general, we believe it would be beneficial to horse welfare internationally. If there is that level of demand to compete in a class, then qualifying criteria should be introduced so that the most experienced horses and riders compete at that level. If there is still further demand then we suggest that more classes be offered over a longer period of time e.g. a 3-4 day competition and that some classes (even at the same distance or rating) would be more prestigious.</p> <p>This would still give other combinations the opportunity to qualify and enable trainers to bring horses through the qualifying criteria. We support this rule change.</p>
B.3	OMA	NF agree with this proposals
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B.3	POR	Portuguese NF doesn't agree with the ETC proposal and suggest that FEI force OC's to have more officials in order the competition take place according to regulations.
B.3	RSA	No problem with rule change
B.3	RUS	WE AGREE WITH THIS PROPOSAL
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