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Dear athletes, coaches, parents, volunteers, and supporters of Modern Pentathlon:

On behalf of the USA Pentathlon, the National Governing Body of Modern Pentathlon in the United States of America, I would like to welcome you all to the 2009 National Championships (Masters, Senior, Junior, Youth) and 2009 NORCECA Men's and Women's (Senior, Junior, and Youth A/B) Championships and Open Competition being held from June 4 to June 7, 2009 in Palm Springs, California.

This is the first time that these Championships are being held in the United States in 2009 and I would like to take this opportunity to thank the organizers for their hospitality and hard work in preparing to give all athletes a well organized and exciting competition.

For many of you, this might be your first international competition. Others will be renewing acquaintances and friendships made at other pentathlon competitions. I hope that you will all leave this competition inspired and motivated for the rest of the season.

On behalf of USA Pentathlon and the local organizing committee, West Coast Pentathlon, I wish all athletes a great competition and an enjoyable time in Palm Springs!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Atif Siddiqi".

Atif Siddiqi  
President, USA Pentathlon  
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