Forwarding ALERT:

Summer and Winter Paralympics Games (9 medals) and Marathon Superstar **Tatyana McFadden** is among the scheduled guests for Thursday's 10:30 a.m. USOC "trackwriters" press conference for this weekend's major **U.S. Olympic Committee** event HERE... Other multiple Paralympics medalists scheduled are Lex Gillette and Jerome Singleton. See USOC release below.

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Note: Although I am happy to provide assistance (as LOC chair), Katie Branham of the USOC is handling media relations for this event. She will be on site as of Wednesday afternoon.

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MEDIA ADVISORY: Pre-event Press Conference for U.S. Paralympics Tra-Field National Championships

The 2014 U.S. Paralympics Track & Field National Championships will be hosted by the College (Mateo, Friday, June 20 – Sunday, June 22. Please see below for important media updates.

WHAT:

Press Conference: A pre-event press conference will be held at the College of San Mateo track field press box on **Thursday**, **June 19 at 10:30 a.m.**

WHO:

Athletes attending the press conference include:

- **Tatyana McFadden** (Clarksville, Maryland) 10-time Paralympic Games medalist in track & field and 2014 Sochi Paralympic Winter Games silver medalist in cross-country skiing, 14-time IPC athletics world champion, 10-time major marathon winner, including grand slam of Boston, London, Chicago and New York victories in 2013.
- Lex Gillette (Chula Vista, California) Three-time Paralympic Games silver medalist in F11 long jump, 2013 IPC Athletics world champion in F11 long jump, current world record holder for F11 long jump
- **Jerome Singleton** (Irmo, South Carolina) Two-time Paralympic Games medalist, six-time IPC athletics world championships medalist, member of the men's 4x100-meter team that was named the USOC's 2013 Paralympic Team of the Year.

The press conference is open to all working members of the media; event credentials are not necessary. Audio of the press conference will be available to those unable to attend. If you would like to receive the audio file, please email Katie.Branham@usoc.org

WHERE:

College location: 1700 West Hillsdale Blvd., San Mateo (North on West Hillsdale exit f rom Highway 92)

Campus directions: Take the first college entrance off West Hillsdale (College Heights Drive). Turn right immediately onto East Perimeter Road. After the first crest (with stop signs), continue down the Perimeter Road towards athletic facilities. Continue past the first lower parking (Stadium) lot (which is next to tennis courts). Continue uphill and take the next right -- downwards to the stadium. This is the Athletic Loop service road (between the tennis courts on your right and the softball field above you to the left).

Parking: You may park in staff spaces at trackside. For those with handicapped permits, there are several handicap parking spaces next to the press box and also at trackside.

Credentials: You may pick up your requested credentials at the College of San Mateo track facility June 20-22 during competition hours and beginning one hour before competition each day. Follow the signs for packet pick-up upon arriving to the facility. Late credential requests may be submitted to Katie.Branham@usoc.org.

Schedule: Five sessions are scheduled:

Friday, June 20: Saturday, June 21:
 Morning Session
 Afternoon Session

 8:00 a.m. – noon
 3:00-6:00 p.m.

 10:00 a.m. – noon
 3:00 -6:00 p.m.

Sunday, June 22: 9:00 a.m. – noon

Preliminary schedule of events is <u>available to download</u>. An updated schedule will be available online and emailed to all credentialed media on Thursday, June 19th.

Athletes Entries: The latest list of entrants is <u>available online</u>. Start lists will be emailed to all credentialed media on Thursday, June 19th.

Live Results: www.RecordTiming.com

Media Inquiries: Looking to set up an athlete interview? Looking for ideas for feature stories related to the championships? Please direct all media inquiries and photo requests to Katie.Branham@usoc.org

For more information, please contact Katie Branham, U.S. Paralympics, at 719-237-9407 or <u>Katie.Branham@usoc.org</u>