



SEATTLE SOUNDERS FC ALLIANCE COUNCIL STATEMENT ON YATES REPORT

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The Seattle Sounders Alliance Council was dismayed and disheartened to read the results of the Yates investigation referencing the rampant and systematic failure to protect and respect NWSL players. As fans of the beautiful game in all its forms at all levels we find these behaviors unacceptable and those responsible for this ongoing abuse need to be held accountable for their actions. Despite the MLS Commissioner's recent disappointing comments, we believe there is more work to be done.

We stand behind the players as they speak out against these findings, respect, and applaud their bravery in sharing deeply traumatic experiences, and join our voices to those seeking specific and immediate changes across these organizations. Additionally, we'd task all US Soccer organizations, including our own Sounders, to review any policies currently in place to ensure the safety and security of all athletes and staff at all levels of play and to immediately put measures into place where they are currently lacking.

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