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Sadly, it has come to my attention that emails sent to IAAF Race Walking Committee Chairman Maurizio Damilano are bouncing back, presumably due to a filter put in place to ensure that he is not bothered by our opinions!

But there are plenty of other people we should be contacting, even if he is unwilling to listen to us

Add these two to your email send list – nothing like going straight to the top

"IAAF President Sebastian Coe" <[sebastian.coe@iaaf.org](mailto:sebastian.coe@iaaf.org)>  
"IAAF competition director Paul Hardy" <[Paul.hardy@iaaf.org](mailto:Paul.hardy@iaaf.org)>

Continue to send to Maurizio Damilano, even if they bounce back, and include a couple more members of the IAAF Race Walking Committee (add Jane Saville if you are Oceania based)

"Chairman, IAAF Race Walking Committee" <[m.damilano@mapitalia.it](mailto:m.damilano@mapitalia.it)>  
"Sr Luis Saladie - IAAF Race Walking Committee" <[organaziones@rfea.es](mailto:organaziones@rfea.es)>  
"Jane Saville - IAAF Race Walking Committee" <[jsaville74@ozemail.com.au](mailto:jsaville74@ozemail.com.au)>

Add in the Athletics Australia President if you are Australian based

"President, Athletics Australia" <[phil.jones@athletics.org.au](mailto:phil.jones@athletics.org.au)>

The message remains the same – this is being done in secrecy and the IAAF is unwilling to respond and let the wider walking community know the details of the proposed changes. It is being done in the middle of an Olympic cycle without due regard to the impact it will have on our top walkers currently training for 2020.

On a positive note, the online petition is now about to hit the 2000 signatures mark and is rising quickly. Check it out at <https://www.change.org/p/ioc-iaaf-keep-the-50km-race-walk-in-the-olympics>

Forward this to your friends and invite them to send their own emails and sign the petition. The tide has to be of such a volume that our voices cannot be ignored.

Yours in walking

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