

IN THE DISCIPLINARY COMMMITTEE VOLTA REGIONAL FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

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SOGAKOPE TRINITY FOOTBALL CLUB VRS AVEYIME SOCCER WONDERS FC

PROTEST IN RESPECT OF 2022/2023 VOLTA REGIONAL DIVISION TWO LEAGUE MATCH PLAYED AT BATTOR PARK.

PROCEEDINGS

In accordance with Article 56 of the GFA Statutes (2019) and 35(9) of the Regional Football Association (RFAs) Leagues Regulations, this Disciplinary Committee (herein after referred to as "The Committee") considered the deposition from SOGAKOPE TRINITY FOOTBALL CLUB (hereinafter referred to as "The Petitioner") with supporting attachments, and match reports from match officials.

SUMMARY OF FACTS

STATEMENT OF CASE OF SOGAKOPE TRINITY ACADEMY FOOTBALL CLUB

The Petitioner lodged a protest against **AVEYIME SOCCER WONDERS FC** (herein after referred to as 'The Respondents'') for fielding unqualified player during the Volta Regional Division Two League match Day One played on 11th February 2023 at BATTOR R.C Park, contrary to Article 33(1)(e), 28(2)(I) of the GFA Regional Football Associations (RFAs) Leagues Regulations.

The Petitioners claim that, The Respondents fielded unqualified player Daniel Dela Messiah jersey number (1). The player actively registered with two different clubs bearing the same

name, date of birth and the passport size photograph. These two clubs are Top Talents F/C and Aveyime Soccer Wonders FC

In support of their case, The Petitioners state Articles 28(1)(a) 33(1)(e) 33(2)33(5)(a)(b) and seek relief that the match be declared null and void and that 3 points and 3goals be awarded to The Petitioners.

The Petitioners attached a copy of the registration details of the player in the GFA connect system of two clubs Top Talents FC and Aveyime Soccer Wonders FC

Photograph of the team sheet of Aveyime Soccer Wonders FC this case as evidence in support of their case.

DEFENSE OF AVEYIME SOCCER WONDERS FC

In response to the case, The Respondent stated that the said player was transferred from Akposokobo Victory Stars FC and was duly registered for the Respondent in the FIFA Connect System before the said match and therefore eligible to play in the said match.

The Respondent attached the player's license as evidence in support of their case.

FINDINGS OF THE COMMITTEE AND GROUNDS OF DECISION

The Committee at its sittings makes the following findings

- 1. That protest was lodged in accordance with Article 35(1)(3) of the Regional Football Associations (RFAs)Leagues Regulations
- 2. That the protest was duly served on The Respondent in accordance with Article 35(4) of The Regional Football Associations (RFAs) Leagues Regulations
- 3. That the said player Norgbodzi Daniel Dela Messiah was first registered by Top Talents FC transferred to Tema Wonders FC and was further transferred to Akporsorkubo Victory Stars FC and currently transferred to Aveyime Soccer Wonders FC
- 5. That from the Committee's check in the FIFA connect System the said, player Norgbodzi Daniel Dela Messiah in this case was duly registered before the match and therefore was eligible to play in the match in this case.
- 6. The said player Norgbodzi Daniel Dela Messiah's transfer was approved and card printed on the 5th February 2023
- 7. That the said match ended 4-0 in favour of The Respondent.

DECISION

- 1. It is the decision of The Committee that the Petitioners' case is hereby dismissed and that the result of the match shall stand.
- 2. That Petitioner is hereby fined GHC 300.00 for misleading The Committee in legal relations.
- 3. The Petitioner shall pay the fine in decision Two (2) above within ten (10) days in accordance with Article 37(8)(a) of the GFA Regional Football Associations (RFAs) Leagues Regulations
- 4. The Petitioner shall be liable to the consequential effect of Article 37(1)(b) and 37(8)(c) if the club fails to pay the fine imposed on the club in decision Two (2) above.

Ernest Yao Gaewu (Justice)

Disciplinary Committee Chairman