



**IN THE DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE  
VOLTA REGIONAL FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION**

**VRFA/DC/020/23**

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**PANEL**

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| 1. Ernest Yao Gaewu, (Justice) | Chairman  |
| 2. Constant Dzakpasu           | Member    |
| 3. Felix Seloame               | Member    |
| 4. Kingsley Broni-Agbezuge     | Secretary |

**10<sup>th</sup> May, 2023**

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**AVEDZI FC VRS ABUTIA PRESTIGE FC**

**PROTEST IN RESPECT OF 2022/2023 VOLTA REGIONAL DIVISION TWO  
LEAGUE MATCH PLAYED AT HO SPORTS STADIUM**

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**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 (hereinafter referred to as “**The Committee**”) considered the deposition from Avedzi United FC (hereinafter referred to as “**The Petitioner**”), Abutia Prestige FC (hereinafter referred to as “**The Respondents**”) with supporting attachments, and match reports from match officials.

**SUMMARY OF FACTS**

**STATEMENT OF CASE OF AVEDZI FC**

The Petitioner lodged a protest against The Respondent for failing to produce players licenses for inspection and fielding unqualified player during the Volta Regional Division Two League match played on 12<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at Ho Sports Stadium, contrary to article 33(1)(a) , 33(2) (a), 28(2)(a) of the GFA Regional Football Associations (RFAs) League Regulations.

The Petitioners claim that, The Respondents fielded an unqualified players Obikyere Julius (1), Adzei Mark(10), Hodo Selase (11), Antwi Romeo B (16), Tuekpe Richmond (7) Mbona Atanga Mules (12), Doku Raphael (3), Famous Glamii (16), Dickson Deh (3), Darkey Bright (8), Kpovi Bright (6), Alifo Maxwell (9), Fred Kormey (5), Awumey Desmond (12), David Obikyere (13) and Lordd Elormu (15),

In support of their case, The Petitioners state Articles 16(5)(a), 34(2)(5) 34(b)(a)(b)(a) seek relief that the match be declared null and void 3 points 3goals be awarded to The Petitioners

The Petitioners attached the photography of the said players, the team sheet of the Respondent and a letter from RFA for player consideration for only match day One as evidence in support of the case.

#### **DEFENSE OF ABUTIA PRESTIGE FC**

The Respondent in defense stated the following.

1. That the Respondent has not violated any of the provision stated by the Petitioner.
2. That there is no correlation between the provision stated and the Petitioner's case.
3. That the said players in this case had been approved before the said match.
4. That the Disciplinary Committee should verify in the FIFA Connect System.
5. That the Petitioner did not attached photographs of the alleged players in this case.

The Respondent attached soft copies of list of players registered and approved players in the FIFA Connect System for the Respondent.

#### **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 GFA 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) League Regulations.
3. That Petitioner did not attach pictorial evidence to their case and the provisions stated have no correlation to the case.

4. That the said, players in this case were duly registered before the said match therefore eligible to play. The last date of approval in the system of the Respondent was 28/02/2023
5. That the said match ended 2-1 in favour of the Respondent.

## **DECISION**

It is the decision of The Committee that;

1. The case of the Petitioner is hereby dismissed the results of the match still stands.
2. The 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) 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) the GFA Regional Football Associations (RFAs) Leagues Regulations if the club fails to pay the fine imposed on the club in decision Two above within the period specified in decision Three (3) above.



Ernest Yao Gaewu (Justice)  
Disciplinary Committee Chairman