

IN THE DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE VOLTA REGIONAL FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

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28th May, 2023

NUGATA FOOTBALL CLUB VRS ILEAD FC

PROTEST IN RESPECT OF 2022/ 2023 VOLTA REGIONAL DIVISION TWO LEAGUE MATCH PLAYED AT AKATSICO 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 (hereinafter referred to as "**The Committee**") considered the deposition from NUG ATA FOOTBALL Club (hereinafter referred to as "**The Petitioner**") Ilead FC (hereinafter referred to as "**The Respondents**") with supporting attachments, and match reports from match officials.

SUMMARY OF FACTS

STATEMENT OF CASE OF NUGATA FC

The Petitioner lodged a protest against Ilead FC for fielding unqualified Coach during the Volta Regional Division Two League match played on 20th May, 2023 at Akatsico Park, contrary to Article 33(1)(e) of the GFA Regional Football Associations (RFAs) Leagues Regulations.

The Petitioners claim that, The Respondents fielded an unqualified Coach by name Stephen Awledor and claim that the Coach was registered as a player in the FIFA Connect System for Home Stars FC.

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

The Petitioner attached photographs and the team sheet of the Respondent as evidence in support of the case.

DEFENSE OF ILEAD FC

The Respondent stated the following in defense

- 1. That the Respondent had registered a player (Stephen Awledor) with FIFA ID 1D0G1554 in the 2017.
- 2. That the player was released to Home Stars FC in 2018 and since then had not registered or released to other clubs.
- 3. That Ilead SC registered him as Coach with RFA and on the team sheet of the Respondent.

The Respondent attached a copy of RFA Club official Registration from and the Transaction ID 22072062889 for the payment of License 'D' coaching course 2nd Batch Training.

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 GFA Regional Football Associations (RFAs) Leagues Regulations.

3. That the said Coach Stephen Awledor was registered as a player of the Respondent in 2017 and transferred to Home Stars FC in 2018 from the Committee's in the FIFA Connect System.

4. That the said Coach Stephen Awledor did not play or registered for another club since 2018 from the Committee's check from RFA secretariat the Respondent paid for the said Coach Stephen Awledor to participate in license "D" coaching course hereby known to the RFA therefore qualified to sit on the bench of the Respondent in the said match in this case.

5. That the said match ended 2-0 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. That Petitioner is hereby fine 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) of the GFA Regional Football Associations (RFAs) Leagues Regulations if the club fails to pay the fine imposed on the club in decision Two (2) above within the period specified in decision Three(3) above

Ernest Yao Gaewu (Justice)

Disciplinary Committee Chairman