



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

VRFA/DC/029/23

PANEL

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

10th

May, 2023

ROBERTO FC VRS MK HEROES FC

**PROTEST IN RESPECT OF 2022/2023 VOLTA REGIONAL DIVISION TWO
LEAGUE MATCH PLAYED AT WAFA 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 Roberto FC Football Club (hereinafter referred to as “**The Petitioner**”) Mafi Kumase Heroes FC (hereinafter referred to as “**The Respondents**”) with supporting attachments, and match reports from match officials.

SUMMARY OF FACTS

STATEMENT OF CASE OF ROBERTO FC

The Petitioner lodged a protest against The Respondent for fielding unqualified player during the Volta Regional Division Two League match between the Petitioner and the Respondent played on 19th March 2023 at WAFA Park, contrary to article 33(1)(a), 33(2)(a), 28(2)(a) of the GFA Regional Football Association (RFAs) Leagues Regulations.

The Petitioners claim that, The Respondents fielded unqualified players by names Richard Ackam and Enock Adjei and claim the said players were not registered in the FIFA Connect System of the Respondent.

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

The Petitioners referred the Disciplinary Committee to the GFA FIFA Connect System of the Respondent and attached the team sheet of as evidence in support of the case..

DEFENSE OF MK HEROES FC

The Respondent in response stated the following

1. That the said players were duly registered by the Respondent in the FIFA Connect System of the Respondent.
2. That there was a spelling error in the name of the said player Richard Ackam was written as Richard Akabu.
3. Pleads with the Disciplinary Committee to cross check with a print out of the registration license of the said player in FIFA Connect System.

The Respondent attached photocopies of the said players cards and photograph of the players in the said match.

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)League 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 the said players Richard Ackam and Enock Adjei in the FIFA Connect System of Respondent in case were duly registered before the said match therefore eligible to play.
4. That from the Committee's check from the FIFA Connect System, Richard Ackam's registration renewal was approved on 04/02/2023 and card printed on 05/02/2023 and therefore eligible to play the said match in this case.

5. That from the Committee's check from the FIFA Connect System, Enock Adjei's registration renewal was approved on 16/02/2023 and card printed on 21/02/2023 and therefore eligible to play the said match in this case.


6. That The Committee's check on the team sheet of the Respondent in previous matches and evidence provided by the Respondent shows that it was a clerical error on the part of the Respondent for wrongly spelling the Surname of the said player as Akabu instead of Ackam.

7. That it is evidently clear that the player who actually played the said match is same player registered as Richard Ackam in the FIFA Connect System of the Respondent.

8. That the said match ended

DECISION

It is the decision of The Committee that the case of the Petitioner is hereby dismissed and that the results of the match shall stand, with no cost effect to either party.



Ernest Yao Gaewu (Justice)
Disciplinary Committee Chairman