

IN THE DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE VOLTA REGIONAL FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

VRFA/DC/037/23

PANEL

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AGBOZUME UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB VRS ALKE FC PROTEST IN RESPECT OF 2022/2023 VOLTA REGIONAL DIVISION TWO LEAGUE MATCH PLAYED AT SOSEC 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 Agbozume United Football Club (hereinafter referred to as "**The Petitioner**"), Alke FC (hereinafter referred to as "**The Respondents**") with supporting attachments, and match reports from match officials.

SUMMARY OF FACTS

STATEMENT OF CASE OF AGBOZUME UNITED F/C

The Petitioner lodged a protest against **Alke FC** for fielding unqualified players.

The Petitioner claims that the Respondent fielded unqualified players by names Samuel Otitsuami Buer (1) Michael Annan Amedzorku (25) Ben Adu (5) Adowah Abraham (10)

Kuzagbe Kossi Idriss (7), Muktar Hamidu (12), Godfred Kwateng 22, Mensah Theophilus11, Ide Abdul Fatawu14, Ashehu Ganyo Derrick 18 and Abdul Razak Ali that were not registered by the GFA for the Respondent before the said match between the Petitioner and the Respondent during the Volta Regional Division Two League match Day 4 played on 4th March,2023 at Sosec Park, contrary to Article 33(1)(e), 33(2), 28(2)(a), 15(4) 25(3), 26(4)(d) of the GFA Regional Football Associations (RFAs) Leagues Regulations and that the captain of the Respondent did not sign the team sheet,

In support of their case, The Petitioners state Articles 26(4)(d) 28(1)(d) 28 (2)(c) 33(1)(e), 33(2), 33(a)(b) and 33(5)(b), seek relief that the match be declared null and void and that 3 points and 3 goals be awarded to The Petitioner.

The Petitioner attached the following in evidence to their case:

1. Team sheet of the Respondent for the said match in this case.

2. A document from FIFA Connect System indicating the registration details of the said players.

3. The photograph of the said players in this case.

DEFENSE OF ALKE FC

The Respondent in defense stated that all the said players were duly registered

FINDINGS OF THE COMMITTEE AND GROUNDS OF DECISION

The Committee at its sittings makes the following findings

1. That the 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 33(4) of Regional Football Associations (RFAs) League Regulations.

3. That the said players Samuel Otitsuami Buer,MichaelAnnanAmedzorku,Ben Adu,AdowahAbraham,,Muktar Hamidu, Godfred Kwateng,Mensah Theophilus,Ide Abdul Fatawu14,Ashehu Ganyo Derrick and Abdul Razak Ali were approved after the said match therefore not eligible to play the said match. 4. That the said players Samuel Otitsuami Buer, Michael Annan Amedzorku, Ben Adu and Adowah Abraham were approved on 16/03/2023 and therefore not eligible to play the said match.

5. That the said players Abdul Fatawu and Abdul Razak Ali were approved on 27/03/2023 and 24/03/2023 therefore not eligible to play in the said match.

6. That the said players Kuzagbe Korsi Idriss and Ashelu Ganyo Derrick were not registered by the Respondent for the 2022/2023 league season therefore not eligible to play the said match.

7. That the said match ended 0-0.

DECISION

It is the decision of The Committee that;

1. The Petitioners' case is hereby upheld and that 3 points and 3 goals shall be awarded to the Petitioner, in accordance with Article 33(3)of the GFA (RFAs) Leagues Regulations.

2. The Respondent shall suffer 3 points deduction from accumulated points in all the matches the said players Samuel Otitsuami Buer, Michael Annan Amedzorku Ben Adu, Adowah Abraham, Muktar Hamidu Godfred Kwateng, Mensah Theophilus, Ide Abdul Fatawu14, Ashehu Ganyo Derrick and Abdul Razak Ali in this case featured in.

3. The Respondent is hereby fined GHC 300.00 of which 50% shall be paid to the Petitioner in accordance with Article 33(5)(b) of the GFA (RFAs) Leagues Regulations.

4. The Respondent shall pay the fine in decision Three (3) above within ten (10) days in accordance with Article 37(8) of the GFA (RFAs) Leagues Regulations

4. The Respondent 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 Four (4) above.

Ernest Yao Gaewu (Justice

Disciplinary Committee Chairman