

# IN THE DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE VOLTA REGIONAL FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

#### VRFA/DC/018/23

#### PANEL

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26<sup>th</sup> July, 2023

# ADIDOME UNITY STARS FOOTBALL CLUB VRS AVEYIME SOCCER WONDERS FC PROTEST IN RESPECT OF 2022/ 2023 AFE LOTO VOLTA FA CUP MATCH PLAYED AT AVEYIME PARK.

Secretary

#### PROCEEDINGS

In accordance with Article 56 of the G.F.A Statutes (2019) and 35(9) of the Regional Football Association (RFAs) Leagues Regulations, this Disciplinary Committee (hereinafter referred to as "**The Committee**") considered depositions from **Adidome Unity Stars Football Club** (hereinafter referred to as "The **Petitioner**"), and Aveyime Soccer Wonders **FC** (hereinafter referred to as "The Respondent") together with the supporting attachments from both parties, records from the RFA secretariat, and match reports from match officials.

#### SUMMARY OF FACTS

# STATEMENT OF CASE OF ADIDOME UNITY STARS F/C

The Petitioner lodge a protest against Aveyime Soccer Wonders **FC** for using unqualified player in the Afe Lotto Volta FA Cup match played on the  $2^{nd}$  July, 2023 at Aveyime Park. The Petitioner claims that the Respondent fielded Norgbordzi M Dela (1) who was shown a straight red card in the round 32 of the ongoing Afe Lotto FA Cup match played against Galaxy FC.

The Petitioner further stated that the Respondent failed to pay the fine of GH 50.00 within the ten days before playing against the Petitioner in violation to Article 37(8) and Article (a)(c) of the GFA/RFA Leagues Regulations.

The Petitioners seek relief that the match is declared null and void and that 3 points and 3 goals be awarded to The Petitioner

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

### STATEMENT OF DEFENSE

The Respondent in response to the case stated the following.

1.That the player Norgbordzi M Dela served the required number of the matches he was supposed to miss therefore qualified to play in the said match.

2. That RFA owes the Respondent so the Respondent notified the RFA long ahead before the said match in order to use part of the said amount to pay the fine.

3. That the RFA still owes the Respondent GH C 150.00

# FINDINGS OF THE COMMITTEE AND GRO UNDS 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 33(4) of Regional Football Associations (RFAs)League Regulations

3. That, from the Committee's check the said player, Norgbordzi M Dela received red card in the Round of 32 of Afe Lotto Volta FA Cup match between Aveyime Soccer Wonders FC and Galaxy Stars FC and has served the required ban.

4. That, the Respondent paid the fine before the said match between the Respondent and the Petitioner played on 2<sup>nd</sup> July.2023 therefore Norgbordzi M Dela was eligible to play in the said match in this case.

5. That, from the Committee's check The Respondent informed the RFA long ahead on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2023 about the RFA's indebtedness to the club before the said match and also asked

the RFA to use part of the money to pay the fine owed by the Respondent as a result of the red card.

- 6. That, RFA still owes the Respondent GH  $\ensuremath{\mathbb C}$  150.00.
- 7. That the said match ended 2-3 in favour Aveyime Soccer Wonder FC

#### DECISION

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

Ernest Yao Gaewu (Justice)

Disciplinary Committee Chairman