



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

**VRFA/DC/014/26**

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| 1. Ernest Yao Gaewu, (Justice) | Chairman         |
| 2. Constant Dzakpasu           | Member           |
| 3. Eric Ekpah                  | Member           |
| 4. Otis Ahorse                 | Member           |
| 5. Kingsley Broni-Agbezuge     | Member/Secretary |

**27<sup>th</sup> February, 2026**

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**DISCIPLINARY DECISION ON LOKOE DIAMOND FC FOR MISCONDUCT**

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**SUMMARY OF FACTS AND CHARGES LOKOE DIAMOND FC**

Reference to the Match Officials Reports, the Charge Sheet in respect of Volta Regional Division Two League match to be played at the Ho Sports Stadium between Lokoe Diamond FC **and** Abutia Prestige FC on 15<sup>th</sup> February, 2026. The Secretary of the Disciplinary Committee of the RFA charged Lokoe Diamond FC (hereinafter referred to as “**The Respondent**”) on the 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2026 for misconduct and the case was referred to the Disciplinary Committee (hereinafter referred to as “**The Committee**”). **Lokoe Diamond FC** was charged for misconduct on the following counts;

1. That Lokoe Diamond FC breached Article 12 of the GFA Disciplinary Code, 2019
2. That Lokoe Diamond FC, during Volta Regional Division Two League match played at Ho Sports Stadium between Lokoe Diamond FC and Abutia Prestige FC on the 15<sup>th</sup> February, 2026 breached provisions of the GF A Disciplinary Code, 2019 for misconduct. An action which amounts to unsporting behaviour and misconduct.
3. That Lokoe Diamond FC breached Article 34(1)(b) of the GFA Regional Football Association

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4. That players of Lokoe Diamond FC were seen engaging in violence misconduct after the said match. An action which amounts to unsporting behaviour and misconduct.

5. That Lokoe Diamond FC was given up to Thursday 19th February, 2026 to respond to the charge

### STATEMENT OF DEFENSE OF LOKOE DIAMOND FC

Lokoe Diamond FC pleaded not **GUILTY** to all the charges by stating the following that;

1 The match proceedings were generally calm and tension-free, despite the Home Team's failure to provide adequate security as required.

2. That at the end of the game, while their Technical Team was preparing to escort their players to the tunnel, an unfortunate incident occurred when some supporters of the Home Team attempted to invade the pitch and attack one of their technical officials.

3. That the Respondent act of self-defense, the technical official involved sought to protect himself from the advancing supporters of Abutia Prestige FC.

4. The Home Team failed to provide security for the match, contrary to the special rules which mandate the Home Team to ensure adequate security arrangements.

5. That Lokoe Diamond FC is a law-abiding club and has no intention of engaging in any conduct that would bring the Association into disrepute.

6. The said player of Lokoe Diamond FC Maxwell Agbagba, sustained a serious injury and bled during the chaos that erupted after the said match day.

7. That the RFA Disciplinary Committee should thoroughly investigate this matter, as there is no

evidence of their supporters invading the pitch.

8. That had their supporters been present in significant numbers, the situation could have escalated further, which would not have been in the best interest of Association football.

9. That in line with their commitment to restructuring and maintaining good faith with the Volta FA, the Respondents have taken the decision to temporarily ban their supporters from accompanying the team to match venues while stricter internal measures are implemented to address past concerns affecting the club.

10. That the Respondent did not participate in the acts that led to the chaos, rather they were victims of the unfortunate incident, as some supporters of the Home Team attempted to assault their players before their departure.

## **FINDINGS OF THE COMMITTEE AND GROUNDS OF DECISION**

The Committee at its sittings makes the following findings

1. That in accordance with article 34(1)(b) of the GFA Regional Football Associations Leagues Regulations, the Disciplinary Committee is satisfied with the evidence before it that the conduct of the Respondent amounts to a breach of the Regulations and shall accordingly apply the necessary sanctions against Lokoe Diamond FC.

2. That it must be noted that the situation caused by Lokoe Diamond FC affects the image of the Division Two League and Volta Football.

3. That the failure of Lokoe Diamond FC to control team officials and players led to the violence and misconduct by the team officials and players of the club after the said match


4. That Lokoe Diamond FC misconduct were unnecessary and served to undermine the integrity of the Volta Regional Division Two League.

5. This Committee finds Lokoe Diamond FC **guilty** of the charges.

## DECISION

It is the decision of The Committee that; having satisfied itself that the evidence adduced before it supports the charges of misconduct against the Respondent and hereby finds Lokoe Diamond FC guilty of all charges in accordance with Article 12 of the GFA Disciplinary Code (2019) 34(1)(b) of the GFA Regional Football Associations Leagues Regulations and therefore makes the following decisions;

1. That the Respondent Lokoe Diamond FC is hereby fined GHC 500.00 (Five Hundred Ghana Cedis) to be paid to the RFA within fourteen (14) days upon receipt of this ruling.
2. That Lokoe Diamond FC shall be liable to the consequential effect of Article 37 (1)(b) and 37 (8)(c) of the GFA Regional Football Associations Leagues Regulations if the club fails to pay the fine imposed on the club in decision One (1) above within the period specified in decision One above.
3. That Lokoe Diamond FC is warned to be of good behavior in subsequent matches, failing of which a more severe punishment will be imposed.



Ernest Yao Gaewu (Justice)  
Disciplinary Committee Chairman