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ATHLETICS – ANTI-DOPING

TEN-YEAR PERIOD OF INELIGIBILITY IMPOSED ON TATYANA TOMASHOVA (RUS) FURTHER TO MULTIPLE ANTI-DOPING RULE VIOLATIONS

Lausanne, 3 September 2024 – The Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) has issued its decision in the arbitration procedure between World Athletics (WA) (formerly the International Association of Athletics Federation (IAAF)) and the Russian middle-distance runner Tatyana Tomashova (the Athlete) concerning the re-tests of out-of-competition doping controls that the Athlete underwent on (i) 21 June 2012 and (ii) 17 July 2012 (the 2012 Samples) which were established by the Athletics Integrity Unit (AIU) in December 2021 to contain substances (anabolic steroids) prohibited on the 2012 World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) Prohibited List.

The Sole Arbitrator in charge of the matter found to her comfortable satisfaction that Ms Tomashova committed an Anti-Doping Rule Violation (ADRV) in relation to the 2012 Samples through violations of Rule 2.2 of the 2021 WA Anti-Doping Rules (WA ADR) (Use or Attempted Use of a Prohibited Substance or a Prohibited Method). Turning to the sanction, taking into account a previous ADRV committed by Ms Tomashova in 2008, the Sole Arbitrator determined the appropriate sanction applicable to multiple ADRVs to be the imposition of a ten-year period of ineligibility, commencing on this day, the date of the CAS decision, as well as the disqualification of all competitive results obtained by Ms Tomashova from 21 June 2012 until 3 January 2015, with all resulting consequences, including the forfeiture of any titles, awards, medals, points and prize and appearance money.

The CAS acted as first instance decision-making authority for this matter, substituting for the Russian Athletics Federation, currently suspended by WA.