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ARTISTIC GYMNASTICS WOMEN'S FLOOR EXERCISE

THE CAS AD HOC DIVISION PARTIALLY UPHOLDS THE APPLICATION CONCERNING ANA MARIA BĂRBOȘU AND DISMISSES THE ONE CONCERNING SABRINA MANECA-VOINEA (ROU)

Paris, 10 August 2024 - The Ad hoc Division of the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) registered the following procedures, for which it issued the final decision today:

CAS OG 24/15 Federation Romanian Gymnastics and Ana Bărbosu v. Fédération Internationale de Gymnastique (FIG) and Donatella Sacchi

CAS OG 24/16 Federation Romanian Gymnastics and Sabrina Maneca-Voinea v. Fédération Internationale de Gymnastique (FIG) and Donatella Sacchi

Applications were filed by the Romanian Gymnastics Federation and gymnasts Ana Maria Bărbosu and Sabrina Maneca-Voinea (the Applicants) in relation to the decision issued by the International Gymnastics Federation (FIG) Women's Artistic Gymnastics Technical Committee on 5 August 2024 (the Challenged Decision) in response to the inquiry submitted on behalf of Ms Jordan Chiles (USA) (the Inquiry) during the final of the Women's Artistic Gymnastics Floor Exercise competition. The Romanian Olympic and Sports Committee, Ms Jordan Chiles, the United States Olympic & Paralympic Committee, USA Gymnastics and the International Olympic Committee (IOC) were involved in the arbitration procedure as interested parties.

The Applicants sought a ruling from the CAS Ad hoc Division concluding that the Inquiry was filed beyond the 1-minute deadline specified in art. 8.5 of FIG 2024 Technical Regulations (i.e. 1 minute and 4 seconds) and dismissing the Inquiry as untimely, thereby upholding the initial score of 13.666 and adjusting the final ranking accordingly. The Applicants also sought a conclusion that the penalty of 0.1 for execution imposed on Ms Sabrina Maneca-Voinea was given without basis, thereby increasing her score to 13.800, and that the final ranking be adjusted accordingly. Subsidiarily, the Applicants requested a ruling adjusting the ranking of Ms Ana Maria Bărbosu, Ms Sabina Maneca-Voinea and Ms Jordan Chiles by placing all three athletes in 3rd position and the allocation of medals to all three athletes.

The applications were consolidated and the following panel of arbitrators was constituted to decide the matter: Dr Hamid G. Gharavi (FRA/IRI), President, Prof. Philippe Sands KC (GBR/FRA/MRI) and Prof. Song Lu (CHN). The Panel heard the parties at a hearing this morning.



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The arbitral Panel ruled as follows:

In CAS OG 24/15:

1. The application filed by Federation Romanian Gymnastics and Ms Ana Bărbosu on 6 August 2024, in its amended version of 8 August 2024, is partially upheld.
2. The inquiry submitted on behalf of Ms Jordan Chiles in the Final of the women's Floor exercise was raised after the conclusion of the one-minute deadline provided by article 8.5 of the 2024 FIG Technical Regulations and is determined to be without effect.
3. The initial score of 13.666 given to Ms Jordan Chiles in the final of the women's Floor exercise shall be reinstated.
4. The Fédération Internationale de Gymnastique shall determine the ranking of the Final of the women's Floor exercise and assign the medal(s) in accordance with the above decision.
5. All other requests are dismissed.

In CAS OG 24/16:

1. The application filed by Federation Romanian Gymnastics and Ms Sabrina Maneca-Voinea on 6 August 2024, in its amended version of 8 August 2024, is dismissed.