

INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE

**IOC DISCIPLINARY COMMISSION
DECISION**

**REGARDING TEAM POLAND,
CROSS COUNTRY SKIING, WOMEN 4x5 KM RELAY**

(Rule 23.2.1 of the Olympic Charter)

1. On 25 February, 2010, the Women Polish Team (hereinafter "**the Polish team**") 4x5 KM relay, composed of Kornelia Marek, Justyna Kowalczyk, Paulina Maciuszek and Sylwia Jaskowiec, competed in the Women 4x5 KM relay event in Whistler on the occasion of the Vancouver 2010 Olympic Winter Games, where the team ranked 6th.
2. By its decision dated 29 April 2010, the IOC Disciplinary Commission concluded that Kornelia Marek had committed an anti-doping rule violation upon the occasion of her competing the above mentioned Women' 4x5km relay team event.
3. Pursuant to Article 9.1 of the *IOC Anti-Doping Rules applicable to the XXI Olympic Winter Games in Vancouver, 2010* (hereinafter the "*Rules*"), if one or more team members have committed an anti-doping rule violation during the Period of the Olympic Games, the team may be subject to disqualification, and/or other disciplinary action as provided in the applicable rules of the International Ski Federation (FIS), in particular its Anti-Doping Rules (in their 2010 edition, hereinafter the "*FIS Rules*").
4. As a direct consequence of the violation of the *Rules* by Kornelia Marek, and despite the fact that Justyna Kowalczyk, Paulina Maciuszek and Sylwia Jaskowiec have not been found to have personally committed any anti-doping rule violation, the team, consisting of Kornelia Marek, Justyna Kowalczyk, Paulina Maciuszek and Sylwia Jaskowiec, shall also be disqualified in compliance with Article 9.1 of the *Rules* and Article 11.1 of the *FIS Rules*.

CONSIDERING the above, pursuant to the Olympic Charter and, in particular, Rule 23.2.1 thereof, and pursuant to the *IOC Anti-Doping Rules applicable to the XXI Olympic Winter Games in Vancouver, 2010* and, in particular, Article 9 thereof, as well as pursuant to the *FIS Rules*, in particular Article 11.1 thereof:

Following the disqualification of Kornelia Marek because of an Anti-Doping Rule Violation,

**THE DISCIPLINARY COMMISSION OF THE
INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE
DECIDES**

- I. The Polish team, composed of Kornelia Marek, Justyna Kowalczyk, Paulina Maciuszek and Sylwia Jaskowiec;
 - (i) is disqualified from the Women 4x5 km relay event in which it had placed 6th;
 - (ii) the diplomas awarded to the members of the team in the above-noted event shall be withdrawn;
- II. The International Ski Federation (FIS) is requested to modify the results of the above-mentioned events accordingly and to consider any further action within its own competence.
- III. The NOC of Poland is ordered to inform the members of the team and to return to the IOC, as soon as possible, the diplomas awarded to the above-mentioned athletes in relation to the above-noted event.
- IV. This decision shall enter into force immediately.

Dubai, 29 April 2010

The IOC Disciplinary Commission

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