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CC: - Court of Arbitration for Sport

Lausanne, 28 October 2011

Regulations regarding participation in the Olympic Games - Rule 45 of the Olympic Charter

Dear Sir or Madam,

As you are probably aware, the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) recently rendered an Arbitral Award, pursuant to which CAS held that the "Regulations regarding participation in the Olympic Games - Rule 45 of the Olympic Charter" are invalid and unenforceable. (A copy of these Regulations are attached for your easy reference.)

In view of the above-noted CAS Award, the IOC will abrogate such Regulations, and they will no longer apply. That being said, the IOC intends to come back to the subject matter of these Regulations in the context of the next revision of the World Anti-Doping Code in 2013.

Yours sincerely,

Christophe De Kepper
Director General

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REGULATIONS REGARDING PARTICIPATION IN THE OLYMPIC GAMES

RULE 45 OF THE OLYMPIC CHARTER (OC)

The IOC Executive Board, in accordance with Rule 19.3.10 OC and pursuant to Rule 45 OC, hereby issues the following rules regarding participation in the Olympic Games:

1. Any person who has been sanctioned with a suspension of more than six months by any anti-doping organization for any violation of any anti-doping regulations may not participate, in any capacity, in the next edition of the Games of the Olympiad and of the Olympic Winter Games following the date of expiry of such suspension.
2. These Regulations apply to violations of any anti-doping regulations that are committed as of 1 July 2008. They are notified to all International Federations, to all National Olympic Committees and to all Organising Committees for the Olympic Games.

Athens, 27 June 2008

On behalf of the IOC Executive Board:

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