

**INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE**

**IOC DISCIPLINARY COMMISSION  
DECISION**

**REGARDING IGOR RAZORONOV  
BORN ON 25 MARCH 1970, ATHLETE, UKRAINE, WEIGHTLIFTING**

(Rule 23.2.1 of the Olympic Charter)

1. On 18 August 2008, Mr Igor Razoronov (hereinafter the "Athlete") competed in the Mens' 105kg Weightlifting event in Beijing, in which he placed 6<sup>th</sup>.
2. The Athlete was requested, in the evening of 18 August 2008 in Beijing, immediately following the completion of his participation in the Mens' 105kg Weightlifting event, to provide a urine sample for a doping control.
3. Pursuant to Article 7.2.1 of the *IOC Anti-Doping Rules applicable to the Games of the XXIX Olympiad in Beijing in 2008* (the "*Rules*"), Patrick Schamasch, as representative of the Chairman of the IOC Medical Commission, was informed at about 00:10 hours on 22 August 2008, by the Head of the WADA Accredited Laboratory in Beijing, of an adverse analytical finding on the A sample of the above-noted urine.
4. Pursuant to Article 7.2.2 of the *Rules*, Patrick Schamasch determined that the above-noted A sample belonged to the Athlete, and verified that it did in fact give rise to an adverse analytical finding. He also determined that there was no apparent departure from the International Standards for Testing or the International Standards for Laboratories that undermined the validity of the adverse analytical finding.
5. Pursuant to Article 7.2.3 of the *Rules*, Patrick Schamasch immediately informed the IOC President, Dr Jacques Rogge, of the existence of the adverse analytical finding and the essential details available to him concerning the case.
6. Pursuant to Article 7.2.4 of the *Rules*, the IOC President, by letter dated 22 August 2008, immediately set up a Disciplinary Commission, consisting of:
  - Thomas Bach (Chairman)
  - Denis Oswald
  - John Coates

The IOC President also informed the Disciplinary Commission that, pursuant to Rule 23.2.4 of the Olympic Charter and Article 7.1.4 of the *Rules*, the decision of the Disciplinary Commission in this case would constitute the decision of the IOC.

The IOC President has in this case decided that the procedure may be extended beyond the 24 hour time limit as per Article 7.2.13 of the *Rules*.

7. Pursuant to Article 7.2.5 of the *Rules*, by letter dated 22 August 2008 notified to the Athlete, to the Chef de Mission of the NOC of Ukraine, Nina Umanets, to the International Weightlifting Federation and to the Head of the Independent Observers' Programme, the IOC President advised of, among other things, the above-mentioned adverse analytical finding and of the time, date and place of the hearing of the Disciplinary Commission regarding this case.

The analytical report of the laboratory analysis of the A sample, prepared by the Head of the WADA Accredited Laboratory in Beijing and attached to the above-mentioned letter

- dated 22 August 2008, indicated the presence of the prohibited substance Nandrolone at a concentration of 12.6 ng/ml, above the reporting threshold of 2.9 ng/ml.
8. The Athlete did not request the analysis of the B sample.
  9. The Disciplinary Commission held a hearing on 22 August 2008 at around 13:15 hours, at the Beijing Hotel, IOC Executive Board Meeting Room, 18<sup>th</sup> Floor, 33 East Chang An Avenue in Beijing, in the presence of a delegation of the NOC of Ukraine (hereinafter the "Delegation") comprised of:  
  
Volodymyr Gerashchenko, NOC Secretary General  
Nina Umanets, Chef de Mission  
Yaroslav Kruchek, Official
  10. The International Weightlifting Federation was represented at the hearing by Tamas Ajan, President.
  11. Also attending the hearing were:  
  
Patrick Schamasch, IOC Medical Director  
Howard Stupp, IOC Director of Legal Affairs  
Christian Thill, IOC Doping Control Administrative Coordinator  
  
François Carrard, IOC Counsel  
  
Travis Tygart, representative of the Independent Observers' Programme.
  12. The Delegation had been informed of the results of the laboratory analysis of the A sample, which, according to the analysis report prepared by the Head of the WADA Accredited Laboratory, indicated the presence of the prohibited substance Nandrolone at a concentration of 12.6 ng/ml, above the reporting threshold of 2.9 ng/ml.
  13. The Delegation did not have any objection as to the conduct of the disciplinary procedure with respect to the alleged anti-doping rule violation, in accordance with Article 7 of the *Rules*.
  14. The Delegation apologised for the situation and explained to the Disciplinary Commission that the Athlete had injuries and had undergone surgery for his knee and for his elbow on two occasions, approximately 6 months ago and one and a half year ago. The surgery occurred in a clinic and was not performed by sports doctors. The Delegation indicated that the use of medication to treat the Athlete may explain the presence of the prohibited substance in the Athlete's body and that the NOC of Ukraine had set up a special commission to investigate the circumstances of the case.  
  
Nina Umanets reported that the Athlete had told her on the phone that he had not taken any prohibited substance.
  15. Upon questioning from the Disciplinary Commission, Patrick Schamasch indicated that it was unlikely that a medical treatment would have lead to the presence of Nandrolone in the Athlete's body. In any case, no Therapeutic Use Exemption had been received for this Athlete.
  16. The Delegation indicated that it would provide to the Disciplinary Commission a detailed report on the results of the investigation from its special commission on this matter.

17. After hearing the Delegation and the arguments it put forward, the Disciplinary Commission retired in order to deliberate.
18. The Disciplinary Commission unanimously concluded that the Athlete had committed an anti-doping rule violation pursuant to Article 2.1 of the *Rules* in that there was the presence of the prohibited substance Nandrolone in his body, above the reporting threshold of 2.9 ng/ml.

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 Games of the XXIX Olympiad in Beijing in 2008* and, in particular, Articles 2.1 and 8 thereof

THE DISCIPLINARY COMMISSION OF THE  
INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE  
DECIDES

- I. The athlete Igor Razoronov, Ukraine, Weightlifting:
  - (i) is disqualified from the Mens' 105kg Weightlifting event, where he had placed sixth;
  - (ii) is excluded from the *Games of the XXIX Olympiad in Beijing in 2008*;
  - (iii) shall have his diploma in the above-noted event withdrawn;
  - (iv) shall have his Olympic identity and accreditation card immediately withdrawn and cancelled.
- II. The International Weightlifting Federation is requested to modify the results of the above-mentioned event accordingly and to consider any further action within its own competence.
- III. The NOC of Ukraine is ordered to return to the IOC, as soon as possible, the diploma awarded to the Athlete in relation to the above-noted event.
- IV. The NOC of Ukraine and BOCOG shall ensure full implementation of this decision.
- V. The NOC of Ukraine is requested to inform the IOC and the International Weightlifting Federation of the results of the investigation of the special commission set up by the NOC of Ukraine.
- VI. This decision shall enter into force immediately.

Beijing, 23 August 2008

The IOC Disciplinary Commission

Thomas BACH  
Chairman

Denis OSWALD

John Coates