# INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION

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Case No. 03/2012

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# **DECISION**

# of the

# **ISU Disciplinary Commission**

Panel: Volker Waldeck, Chair

Dr. Egbert Schmid Susan Petricevic

## In the matter of

**International Skating Union**, Chemin de Primrose 2, 1007 Lausanne, Switzerland, represented by its Legal Advisor, Dr. Béatrice Pfister,

- Complainant -

against

**Mr. Kirill Golubev,** c/o The Russian Skating Union, Ms. Olga Chupina, General Secretary, Office 230, Luzhnetskaya nab. 8, Moscow 119991, Russia,

- Alleged Offender -

and

The Russian Skating Union,

Ms. Olga Chupina, General Secretary, Office 230, Luzhnetskaya nab. 8, Moscow 119991, Russia,

- Interested Member -

# I. History of the procedure

On March 27, 2012, the ISU filed a complaint against the Alleged Offender, together with two exhibits. On April 10, 2012 the Alleged Offender and the Interested Member were invited by the ISU Disciplinary Commission to file a statement of reply within 21 days upon receipt of the complaint. Neither the Alleged Offender nor the Interested Member filed a brief.

#### **II. Procedural Matters**

According to Article 24, Paragraph 10 of the ISU Constitution 2010 and Article 8.1.1 of the ISU Anti-Doping Rules 2010 the Disciplinary Commission has jurisdiction in anti-doping cases arising out of ISU Testing or Testing at International Events or Competitions. The present case arises out of testing at the ISU World Junior Speed Skating Championships in Obihiro City, Japan, 2012, i.e. of testing at an ISU International Event. Therefore the ISU Disciplinary Commission has jurisdiction to hear and decide this case.

#### III. Facts

- 1. The Alleged Offender is a 19 year old Member of the Russian Skating Union, who competed in the ISU World Junior Speed Skating Championships in Obihiro City, JPN, on March 2-4, 2012.
- 2. On March 3, 2012 the Alleged Offender was selected for Anti-Doping testing which he first failed to attend, because he had left the ice rink before ensuring that he had not been selected. The Alleged Offender was recalled from the hotel and returned to the rink where the test was done. The test results were negative.

Evidence: Extract of the Report of ISU Medical Advisor Dr. Iliroya Sakai, dated March 7, 2012, Exhibit 1.

3. By letter of March 19, 2012, the Interested ISU Member and the Alleged Offender were informed that the case will be submitted to the ISU Disciplinary Commission.

Evidence: Letter from ISU to The Russian Skating Union dated March 19, 2012, Exhibit 2.

#### IV Motion

The Complainant filed a motion as follows:

- 1. To find the Alleged Offender guilty of violation of the ISU Anti-Doping Rules.
- 2. To issue a reprimand against the Alleged Offender.
- 3. To declare disqualification of the results obtained by the Alleged Offender in the ISU World Junior Speed Skating Championships in Obihiro City, JPN, on March 2-4, 2012.

### IV. Law

1. According to Article 2.3.1 of the ISU Anti-Doping Rules leaving the ice rink after the event in which a skater has participated without first ensuring that he or she has not been selected for Anti-Doping testing constitutes an Anti-Doping Rule violation. According to

Article 10.3.1 para 2 the sanctions set forth in Article 10.4 shall apply if testing on recall was complied with.

For a first violation Article 10.4 of the ISU Anti-Doping Rules establishes a sanction of at a minimum a reprimand and a maximum of two years' ineligibility.

Generally Article 10.4 of the ISU Anti-Doping Rules deals with cases of adverse analytical findings with respect to specified substances. In the present case no prohibited substance was found in the Alleged Offender's bodily specimen. His only mistake was to leave the ice rink before checking whether he had been selected for Anti-Doping testing. His carelessness is regrettable but cannot be considered as a gross offence against the ISU Anti-Doping Rules. Given that this is the Alleged Offender's first violation a reprimand seems to be the adequate sanction.

2. The disqualification of the results obtained by the Alleged Offender in the ISU World Junior Speed Skating Championships in Obihiro City is a compelling consequence of this violation of the ISU Anti-Doping Rules according to Article 9 of the ISU Anti-Doping Rules. For the purpose of the ISU Anti-Doping Rules this event has to be considered as one competition, given that it leads to one final result (see definition of "competition", Appendix 1 of the ISU Anti-Doping Rules).

#### Decision

- 1. Kirill Golubev is declared responsible for an Anti-Doping violation, committed on March 3, 2012 at the ISU World Junior Speed Skating Championships in Obihiro City, JPN.
- 2. Kirill Golubev is reprimanded and warned to not engage in similar conduct in the future, which conduct will cause a more severe action.
- 3. Kirill Golubev's competitive results obtained on March 2-4, 2012 at the ISU World Junior Speed Skating Championships in Obihiro City, are disqualified with all the resulting consequences including forfeiture of any medals, points and prices.
- 4. The Russian Skating Union has to reimburse the ISU for the costs of these proceedings.
- 5. The skater bears his own costs.

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The decision is sent to Kirill Golubev, c./o. Russian Skating Union, by registered mail against return receipt and to the Interested Member and to the ISU by email.

The present decision is subject to appeal to the Court of Arbitration for Sport, Avenue de Beaumont 2, CH-1012 Lausanne, Switzerland, within 21 days upon receipt of the decision, in accordance with Article 24 Paragraph 12 and Article 25 of the ISU Constitution 2010.