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THE COURT OF ARBITRATION FOR SPORT (CAS) UPHOLDS IN PART THE APPEAL FILED BY RYAN NAPOLEON

THE THREE MONTH BAN IS MAINTAINED WITH A RETROACTIVE START ON 15 JUNE 2010; IT WILL COME TO AN END TODAY

Lausanne, 14 September 2010 - The Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) has issued its decision in the arbitration between the Australian swimmer Ryan Napoleon and the International Swimming Federation (FINA).

The decision reads as follows:

- 1. The appeal filed by Ryan Napoleon on 2 September 2010 against the decision of the FINA Doping Panel of 20 August 2010, decision 03/10, is partially upheld.*
- 2. The decision of the FINA Doping Panel of 20 August 2010, decision 03/10, is partially set aside.*
- 3. Ryan Napoleon is sanctioned with a three-month period of ineligibility commencing on 15 June 2010.*
- 4. All competitive results obtained by Ryan Napoleon from 16 November 2009 up to and including 28 January 2010 shall be disqualified, with all of the resulting consequences including forfeiture of any medals, points and prizes.*

On 2 September 2010, Ryan Napoleon filed an appeal with the CAS against the decision issued by the FINA Anti-doping Panel imposing a three-month period of ineligibility following a positive doping test for the substance Formoterol (Beta-2 agonist/specified substance) on 16 November 2009. The CAS conducted an expedited procedure in light of the fact that Ryan Napoleon was selected to represent Australia at the upcoming Commonwealth Games in New Delhi/India. The parties were heard by a CAS Panel composed of Mr Stuart McInnes (United Kingdom), President, Mr Malcolm Holmes (Australia) and Mr Olivier Carrard (Switzerland) by video conference on 10 September 2010.

The full award with the grounds will be issued at a later date.

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