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ATHLETICS – CASE OSCAR PISTORIUS V/ IAAF

THE CAS HEARING IS OVER – FINAL DECISION EXPECTED AT MID-MAY

Lausanne, 30 April 2008 – The hearing in the CAS arbitration between Oscar Pistorius (South Africa) and the IAAF is over. The hearing started on Tuesday 29 April 2008 and went on until today. During these two days, the CAS Panel has heard the parties, their counsels as well as 6 witnesses and experts.

The hearing took place at the CAS Headquarters in Lausanne/Switzerland.

The CAS Panel will deliberate in the next days and will deliver a final decision in about 2 or 3 weeks. The Panel of arbitrators in charge of this matter is composed of Professor Martin Hunter (President of the Panel) from London, England, Mr Jean-Philippe Rochat, Attorney-at-law in Lausanne, Switzerland and Mr David W. Rivkin, Attorney-at-law in New York, USA. A brief profile of each arbitrator can be found on the CAS website (www.tas-cas.org/arbitrators-genlist).

Oscar Pistorius filed an appeal with the Court of Arbitration for Sport in early February 2008 against the decision rendered by the IAAF Council stating that his ‘cheetah’ prosthetics constitute a ‘technical device’ pursuant to Rule 144.2 (e) of the IAAF Competition Rules that provides the user with an advantage over an athlete not using such a device. The IAAF Council considered therefore that Mr Pistorius did not comply with the conditions required to participate in competitions held under IAAF Rules.

The final award (and a press release) will be published on the CAS website when available.