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#### THE APPEAL FILED BY HIGH JUMPER ANNA CHICHEROVA DISMISSED BY THE COURT OF ARBITRATION FOR SPORT (CAS)

*Lausanne, 6 October 2017* – The Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) has dismissed the appeal filed by the Russian high jumper Anna Chicherova against the decision issued by the Disciplinary Commission of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) dated 4 October 2016.

As from 2015, the IOC started the re-analysis of stored samples from the Olympic Games Beijing 2008 and London 2012 which led to various disciplinary proceedings. Re-analysis of Chicherova's samples from Beijing 2008 resulted in a positive test for the prohibited substance dehydrochlormethyltestosterone (turinabol), an anabolic steroid. As a consequence of such process, Anna Chicherova has been disqualified from the Olympic Games Beijing 2008, in which she ranked third and was awarded the bronze medal.

Pursuant to the CAS decision, the IOC Disciplinary Decision in which the athlete was found to have committed an anti-doping rule violation at the 2008 Beijing Olympic Games is confirmed and the athlete is disqualified from the Women's high jump event in which she placed 3<sup>rd</sup>.