



## MEDIA RELEASE

### ASIAN GAMES 2018 JAKARTA PALEMBANG

#### THE COURT OF ARBITRATION FOR SPORT (CAS) HAS OPENED ITS TEMPORARY OFFICE IN JAKARTA

*Lausanne, 16 August 2018* – The Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) has opened a temporary office in Jakarta, on the main site of the XVIII Asian Games. It will operate every day until the games close on Sunday, 2 September 2018.

Around 12,000 athletes are expected to participate in the Asian Games which will begin on 18 August 2018 and last for 16 days. The temporary CAS office in Jakarta has been created to ensure that participants have free access to justice rendered within time limits that keep pace with the competitions.

In accordance with the Arbitration Rules for the Asian Games, the ICAS, an independent body under the *aegis* of which the CAS operates, elected its member Michael Lenard (USA) to serve as President of the Division and selected six CAS arbitrators to form the tribunal: Jahangir Beglari (Iran), Xianhue Bai (China), Idwan Ganie (Indonesia), Enrico Ingles (Philippines), Anthony Lo Surdo (Australia) and Yuri Yagi (Japan). The office in Jakarta will be headed by the CAS Secretary General, Matthieu Reeb.

Any participant or sports entity wishing to refer a dispute to the *ad hoc* Division must submit an application form to the temporary CAS Office in Jakarta. The President of the *ad hoc* Division will then appoint a panel composed of either one or three arbitrators and a hearing will be rapidly convened. During the hearing all parties, witnesses and potentially affected third parties are invited to express their legal arguments and produce evidence. The *ad hoc* Division generally renders its decisions within 24 hours. This is made possible by the specially designed logistics and organizational structures put in place.

The CAS office in Jakarta will be operational from 14 August to 2 September 2018:

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The CAS is a permanent arbitration institution founded in 1984 and specialized in the resolution of sports law disputes. It has its headquarters in Lausanne, Switzerland. It has nearly 400 arbitrators coming from 90 countries and handles approximately 600 cases per year.