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THE CAS DENIES JURISDICTION TO HEAR THE APPLICATION OF THE IRISH RIDER DENIS LYNCH

London, 29 July 2012 – The *ad hoc* Division of the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) has dismissed the application filed by the Irish horse rider Denis Lynch who requested to compete for Ireland in the individual equestrian show jumping event at the 2012 London Olympics.

A CAS Panel composed of Mr Alan Sullivan (Australia), President, Mr Sharad Rao (Kenya) and Mr Stuart McInnes (UK) held a hearing last night from 8pm to 1am. Denis Lynch, his counsel, and representatives for Horse Sport Ireland (HSI), the Olympic Council of Ireland (OCI), the IOC, the FEI and for Cian O'Connor attended the hearing.

The CAS Panel ruled that it lacked jurisdiction to deal with the application of Denis Lynch considering that:

- 1) the decision of the OCI/HSI Monitoring Group of 10 July 2012 to consider Denis Lynch as ineligible for selection for the 2012 Olympic Games was not subject to appeal before the CAS, and
- 2) the dispute did not arise during the period of jurisdiction of the CAS *ad hoc* Division, which started on 17 July 2012.

The full decision with the grounds is published on the CAS website (www.tas-cas.org).