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THE COURT OF ARBITRATION FOR SPORT (CAS) DISMISSES THE APPEAL FILED BY THE GAMBIA FOOTBALL FEDERATION

Lausanne, 20 June 2019 – The Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) has dismissed the appeal filed by the Gambia Football Federation (GFF) against the Confédération Africaine de Football (CAF) and the Fédération Togolaise de Football concerning a protest filed by the GFF in which it disputed the eligibility of a Togolese player to participate in 2019 Africa Cup of Nations qualifying round matches that took place in October 2018.

The GFF's protest was first dismissed by the CAF Disciplinary Board in January 2019. The CAF Appeal Board confirmed such decision in February 2019. The GFF then filed an appeal at CAS against the CAF Appeal Board's decision seeking to have the two previous decisions overturned.

The CAS initiated an arbitration procedure and held a hearing from the CAS headquarters in Lausanne, Switzerland on 14 June 2019 with participants either physically present or participating by video-conference.

At this time, only the decision has been issued. The full award, with the grounds for the Sole Arbitrator's decision, will be issued at a later date.