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### FOOTBALL

#### FC NANTES / CARDIFF CITY FC / EMILIANO SALA

#### CARDIFF CITY FOOTBALL CLUB FILES AN APPEAL AT THE COURT OF ARBITRATION FOR SPORT (CAS)

*Lausanne, 5 December 2019* – The Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) has registered the appeal filed by Cardiff City Football Club against Football Club de Nantes in relation to the decision issued by the Bureau of the FIFA Players' Status Committee on 30 October 2019 (the Challenged Decision). In such decision, Cardiff City FC was ordered to pay EUR 6,000,000 to FC Nantes in relation to the transfer between the clubs of the player Emiliano Sala.

Cardiff City FC seeks to have the Challenged Decision set aside and requests the CAS to declare that no amount shall be payable by Cardiff City FC to FC Nantes.

In accordance with the Code of Sports-related Arbitration, the rules governing CAS procedures, an appeal arbitration procedure has been opened. The counsels for Cardiff City FC and for FC Nantes have agreed to set an *ad hoc* procedural calendar. A hearing is likely to be fixed in spring 2020. A final award is not expected before June 2020.

CAS will not comment any further on the ongoing proceedings.