

## Court of Arbitration for Sport

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## FOOTBALL – UEFA NATIONS LEAGUE

## THE COURT OF ARBITRATION FOR SPORT (CAS) REGISTERS THE APPEAL FILED BY THE UKRAINIAN ASSOCIATION OF FOOTBALL AGAINST UEFA AND THE SWISS FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

Lausanne, 11 December 2020 - The Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) has registered the statement of appeal filed by the Ukrainian Association of Football (UAF) against the Union of European Football Associations (UEFA) and the Swiss Football Association (SFA). The appeal is directed against the decision taken by the UEFA Appeals Body on 25 November 2020 (the Challenged Decision) in which the 2020/21 UEFA Nations League match between Switzerland and Ukraine, that was scheduled to be played in Lucerne on 17 November 2020, was declared forfeited 3-0 by Ukraine, which was held responsible for the match not taking place in accordance with the special rules applicable to the league phase of the 2020/21 UEFA Nations League. On the day of the match, the health authorities in Lucerne decided to place the entire UAF delegation into mandatory quarantine, with the consequence that the match could not take place as originally scheduled.

In its appeal to the CAS, the UAF requests that the Challenged Decision be set aside and that the match in question be rescheduled or, subsidiarily, that the decision to call the match as forfeited be cancelled and that the outcome of the match be decided by drawing of lots carried out by the UEFA Administration.

The CAS arbitration procedure is in progress. The parties are exchanging written submissions and a Panel of arbitrators will be appointed within the next days.