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THE COURT OF ARBITRATION FOR SPORT (CAS) REGISTERS THE APPEAL FILED BY THE INTERNATIONAL BOXING ASSOCIATION (IBA)

Lausanne, 15 June 2023 – The Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) has registered the appeal filed by the International Boxing Association (IBA) against the decision taken by the Executive Board of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) on 7 June 2023 to recommend to the IOC Session to withdraw the recognition of the IBA.

The IOC Executive Board noted that the IBA had failed to fulfil to the IOC's satisfaction the conditions set by the IOC in its decision communicated to the IBA on 9 December 2021 for the lifting of the suspension of the IBA's recognition, and recommended that the IOC Session withdraw the IOC's recognition of IBA, in accordance with Rule 3.7 of the Olympic Charter. The IOC Executive Board also resolved to recommend to the IOC Session to decide that the IBA should not organise the Olympic Games LA28 boxing tournament, but that in the interest of the boxing athletes and the sport of boxing, boxing be maintained on the sports programme of the Olympic Games Paris 2024, in accordance with the IOC Executive Board's decisions taken on 24 June, 8 September and 6 December 2022. Finally, the IOC Executive Board and the IOC President decided to convene an IOC Extraordinary Session to be held remotely on 22 June 2023.

The IBA seeks the annulment of the decision to recommend the withdrawal of the IOC's recognition of IBA. Together with its appeal, the IBA filed an urgent request to stay the execution of the recommendation until the Arbitral Panel renders its final award.

The arbitration procedure has commenced. Written submissions are being exchanged between the parties and the Arbitral Panel is being constituted. The President of the Appeals Arbitration Division, or her Deputy, will issue an Order on Provisional Measures with respect to the request to stay the execution of the Challenged Decision on or before 21 June 2023.