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FOOTBALL – CAF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE FINAL 2018/2019

THE COURT OF ARBITRATION FOR SPORT (CAS) ANNULS THE DECISION OF THE CAF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Lausanne, 31 July 2019 – The Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) has issued its (partial) decision in the appeal arbitration procedures filed by Wydad Athletic Club (Morocco) and Espérance Sportive de Tunis (Tunisia) concerning the decision issued by the Executive Committee of the African Football Confederation (CAF) on 5 June 2019 in which they were ordered to replay the second leg of the CAF Champions League Final 2018/2019 on neutral ground.

The CAS Panel in charge of this matter has considered that the CAF Executive Committee did not have jurisdiction to order that the second leg of the final be replayed and has decided to annul the decision challenged. The appeals of both clubs are therefore partially upheld for that reason.

It is now for the competent CAF authorities to review the incidents which occurred in the Radès stadium on 31 May 2019, to order the appropriate disciplinary sanctions, if any, and accordingly to decide whether the second leg of the CAF Champions League Final 2018/2019 shall be replayed or not. The CAS Panel having annulled the decision of the CAF Executive Committee for formal reasons, it has decided to refer to the competent CAF bodies the questions of the replay of the final's second leg and of the disciplinary procedure, which is currently pending before the CAF and which does not fall within the CAS jurisdiction in the present arbitration procedure.

A more detailed media release is available on the French side of the CAS website.