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CAS AD HOC DIVISION OLYMPIC GAMES RIO 2016

THE FIRST CASES HAVE ARRIVED AT THE COURT OF ARBITRATION FOR SPORT (CAS) IN RIO

Rio de Janeiro, 30 July 2016 – The ad hoc Division of the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) at the Rio 2016 Olympic Games has registered its first procedures. The Russian swimmers Vladimir Morozov and Nikita Lobintsev have each filed a request for arbitration against the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and the International Swimming Federation (FINA).

Both swimmers request CAS to declare the decision of the IOC Executive Board of 24 July 2016 (paragraph 2) invalid and unenforceable. Such paragraph sets out the new criteria for the admission of Russian athletes at the Olympic Games in Rio. The swimmers also request that the decision of the FINA Bureau of 25 July 2016, declaring both of them ineligible for the Olympic Games in Rio, be set aside. Furthermore, they request that the IOC validates the entries submitted by the Russian Olympic Committee (ROC) for them to compete in the Olympic Games in Rio.

A Panel of arbitrators from the CAS ad hoc Division will be constituted shortly and will determine the next steps in these two procedures.

The final decisions will be announced by media release.

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