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THE COURT OF ARBITRATION FOR SPORT (CAS) REGISTERS THE APPEAL OF AL HILAL

Lausanne, 30 October 2015 – Al Hilal football club of Saudi Arabia has filed an appeal with the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) against a decision issued by the Appeal Committee of the Asian Football Confederation (AFC) on 29 October 2015 in which its appeal concerning the eligibility of the player Oussama Assaidi, fielded by its opponent, Al Ahli Club of the United Arab Emirates, in the second leg of the semi-final of the 2015 AFC Champions League on 20 October 2015, was dismissed.

In its appeal to the CAS, Al Hilal seeks to overturn the AFC Appeal Committee decision in order to have its protest against Al Ahli Club upheld and a sanction of a 3-0 loss to Al Ahli applied to the match. This would allow Al Hilal to proceed to the next round of the 2015 AFC Champions League, namely, i.e. the 2015 AFC Champions League Final.

An expedited procedure is in progress, with a final decision expected to be issued no later than 3 November 2015.