

## PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF DISPOSITION OF ANTI-DOPING MATTER UNDER RULE 14.3.2 - RANDOLPH ROSS (USA)

- 1. On 27 June 2022, the AIU notified the Athlete of a potential Whereabouts Failure that occurred on 18 June 2022, the Athlete's potential third Whereabouts Failure in the twelve-month period beginning on 14 April 2022. The AIU invited the Athlete to provide his explanation by no later than 1 July 2022.
- Between 29 June 2022 and 11 July 2022, the Athlete provided his explanation for the potential Whereabouts Failure on 18 June 2022, together with various supporting documents, including a copy of a system generated e-mail allegedly confirming an update made to his Whereabouts information for the relevant period ("the <u>System Generated E-mail</u>").
- 3. The AIU conducted a review of the Athlete's explanation and instigated an investigation into the supporting documents that he provided, in particular, the authenticity of the System Generated E-mail. The AIU concluded having done so that the System Generated E-mail was likely to have been altered/manipulated by the Athlete in an attempt to avoid responsibility for a potential Whereabouts Failures violation on the eve of the 2022 World Championships in Eugene, Oregon.
- 4. On 14 July 2022, the Athlete attended an interview with AIU representatives and immediately admitted that he had altered the System Generated E-mail during the Results Management process for the third potential Whereabouts Failure, constituting a Tampering violation under Rule 2.5 of the World Athletics Anti-Doping Rules ("ADR").
- 5. On 16 July 2022, the AIU formally notified the Athlete of the Rule 2.5 Anti-Doping Rule Violation ("ADRV") and imposed a Provisional Suspension.
- 6. Following completion of the Results Management process for the potential 18 June 2022 Whereabouts Failure, including confirmation that this constituted the Athlete's third Whereabouts Failure in the twelve-month period beginning on 14 April 2022, on 10 November 2022, the AIU charged the Athlete with a Rule 2.4 ADRV and a Rule 2.5 ADRV (together "the ADRVs").
- 7. On 28 November 2022, the Athlete admitted the ADRVs.
- 8. The AIU, the Athlete and the World Anti-Doping Agency (collectively referred to as "the <u>Parties</u>") subsequently entered into a Case Resolution Agreement in accordance with Rule 10.8.2 ADR pursuant to which:
  - 8.1. the Athlete acknowledges to have committed ADRVs under Rule 2.4 and Rule 2.5 ADR;
  - 8.2. the Parties agree that the Athlete is to be sanctioned with a period of Ineligibility of three (3) years;
  - 8.3. taking into consideration the promptness of the Athlete's admission of the ADRVs and time served by virtue of the Athlete's Provisional Suspension since 16 July 2022, the Parties agree that the period of Ineligibility shall commence on the date that the last ADRV was committed, i.e., the Rule 2.5 ADRV, on 1 July 2022, pursuant to Rule 10.8.2.



Therefore, the period of Ineligibility shall be in effect until, and including, <u>30 June 2025</u>; and

- 8.4. in accordance with Rule 10.10 of the ADR, the Athlete's competitive results from 18 June 2022 (the date that the Rule 2.4 ADRV is deemed to have been committed) until and including the date of the Provisional Suspension viz. 16 July 2022 are Disqualified with all resulting consequences, including forfeiture of any medals, points and prize money/prizes.
- 9. The disposition of the Athlete's case is now final under the ADR and is published in accordance with Rule 14.3.2 ADR.

Monaco, 12 December 2022