



## **Athletics Integrity Unit statement regarding the provisional suspension of two Ukrainian athletes**

**3 August 2017, Monaco:** The Athletics Integrity Unit (AIU) announces the provisional suspension of two female Ukrainian athletes, Olesya Povkh and Olha Zemlyak.

Both athletes were entered to compete at the IAAF World Championships London 2017. Olesya Povkh was entered in the Women's 100 Metres and 4x100 Metres Relay events, and Olha Zemlyak in the Women's 400 Metres and 4x400 Metres Relay events.

The provisional suspensions have been imposed following each athlete being charged with an Anti-Doping Rule Violation (ADRV) for the use of a prohibited substance. Each athlete is now afforded the right to a hearing to determine the charge in accordance with IAAF Rules.

The two athletes shall remain provisionally suspended until the outcome of their respective cases.

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### **NOTES TO EDITORS**

#### **About the Athletics Integrity Unit**

The Athletics Integrity Unit (AIU) is the independent body that manages all doping and non-doping integrity-related matters for the sport of athletics. The remit of the AIU includes anti-doping, the pursuit of individuals engaged in age or competition results manipulation, investigating fraudulent behavior with regards to transfers of allegiance, and detecting other misconduct including bribery and breaches of betting rules. It is the AIU's role to drive cheats out of our sport, and to do everything within its power to support honest athletes around the world who dedicate their lives to reaching their sporting goals through dedication and hard work.

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