In the matter of the Canadian Anti-Doping Program;

And in the matter of an anti-doping rule violation by Christine de Bruin asserted by the Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport;

File Outcome Summary

Summary

- 1. The Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport (CCES) conducted an Out-of-Competition Sample collection session on August 28, 2022, in Calgary, AB.
- 2. Ms. Christine de Bruin (the "Athlete") was selected for Doping Control. The Sample provided by the Athlete returned an Adverse Analytical Finding (AAF) for SARM LGD-4033, a non-specified Prohibited Substance.
- 3. Following receipt of the CCES' Notice of Charge, asserting an anti-doping rule violation (ADRV) for the presence and Use of the Prohibited Substance SARM LGD-4033, the Athlete signed an Early Admission and Acceptance Form thereby admitting the ADRV, waiving her right to a hearing and accepting all applicable Consequences.

Jurisdiction

- 4. The CCES is an independent not-for-profit organization incorporated under the federal laws of Canada that promotes ethical conduct in all aspects of sport in Canada. The CCES also maintains and implements the CADP, including providing anti-doping services to national sport organizations and their members.
- 5. As Canada's national anti-doping organization, the CCES is in compliance with the World Anti-Doping Code (Code) and its mandatory International Standards. The CCES has implemented the Code and its mandatory International Standards through the CADP, the domestic rules which govern this proceeding. The purpose of the Code and of the CADP is to protect the rights of Athletes to fair competition.
- 6. The Athlete is a member of Bobsleigh Canada Skeleton (BCS). According to Part C, Rule 1.3 of the CADP, the CADP provisions apply to all members of, and participants in the activities of, sport organizations adopting it. The CADP was adopted by BCS on December 30, 2020. Therefore, as a member of BCS and/or as a participant in BCS sport activities, the Athlete is subject to the Rules of the CADP.

Doping Control

- 7. On August 28, 2022, the CCES conducted an Out-of-Competition Doping Control session in Calgary, AB. Testing was conducted on bobsleigh athletes as part of the CCES' domestic test distribution plan, all pursuant to the CADP.
- 8. The Athlete was notified that she had been selected for Doping Control and, together with the doping control officer (DCO) from the CCES, completed the Sample collection process. The Athlete's Sample code number was 4623136.

9. On August 30, 2022, the Athlete's Sample was received by the INRS Centre Armand-Frappier Santé Biotechnologie (INRS), a World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) accredited laboratory for analysis, in Laval, QC.

Results Management

- 10. The AAF was reported to the CCES by the INRS on September 20, 2022. The certificate of analysis indicated the presence of SARM LGD-4033.
- 11. SARM LGD-4033 is classified as a non-specified Prohibited Substances on the 2022 WADA Prohibited List.
- 12. The CCES commenced an initial review into the Athlete's AAF and issued a notification of a potential ADRV on September 27, 2022.
- 13. On September 28, 2022, the Athlete accepted a voluntary Provisional Suspension.
- 14. On October 3, 2022, in response to the CCES' Notification letter, the Athlete requested the opening of her B-Sample. On October 9, 2022, the INRS reported, through a certificate of analysis, that the Athlete's B-Sample confirmed the presence of SARM LGD-4033, therefore confirming the Athlete's A-Sample.
- 15. On October 18, 2022, the CCES formally issued a Notice of Charge, asserting an ADRV against the Athlete for the presence and Use of SARM LGD-4033.
- 16. In accordance with CADP Rule 10.2.1, the standard sanction for an anti-doping violation involving the presence of a Prohibited Substance, is a four (4) year period of Ineligibility. The CCES asserted the standard four (4) year period of Ineligibility within its Notice of Charge of October 18, 2022.

Confirmation of Violation and Sanction

- 17. In accordance with CADP Rule 10.8.1, which was specifically referenced within the Notice of Charge, the CCES informed the Athlete on October 18, 2022, that should she exercise her option to sign the Early Admission and Acceptance Form, she would receive a one (1) year reduction in the four (4) year period of Ineligibility asserted by the CCES.
- 18. On October 21, 2022, the Athlete signed and submitted an Early Admission and Acceptance Form thereby admitting the ADRV, waiving her right to a hearing and accepting all applicable Consequences.
- 19. Therefore, the sanction for this violation is a three (3) year period of Ineligibility which commenced on September 28, 2022, (the date the Athlete accepted a Provisional Suspension) and concludes on September 27, 2025. Further, in accordance with CADP Rule 10.10, any competitive results obtained by the Athlete, from date of Sample collection, must be Disqualified.
- 20. The CCES now considers this case closed.

Dated at Ottawa, Ontario this 4th day of November 2022.

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