



FIDE ETHICS COMMISSION

The Ethics Commission (hereafter called the ETH), sitting in the following composition -

Chairman: Mr Francois Strydom
Members: Mr Willy Iclicki
Mr Ion Serban Dobronauteanu
Mr Pedro Dominguez Brito
Mr Rajesh Hari Joshi

during the meeting held in Athens on 12th - 15th of December 2014, made the following -

DECISION

Case n. 6/2014: “Complaint of the Romanian Chess Federation concerning the cheating case of the Dutch player, Mr Wesley Vermeulen in the 2014 Iasi Open, Romania”

1. The ETH **reaffirms** that the case is receivable against Mr Wesley Vermeulen, for an alleged violation of par. 2.2.5 of the FIDE Code of Ethics, as previously decided at the ETH meeting in Athens, June 2014.
2. The ETH **finds** that Mr Wesley Vermeulen, made himself guilty of cheating in his game against GM Vladislav Nevednichy during the Iasi Open on 15 May 2014 by using chess software installed on his mobile phone for analysis of the game in progress.

3. The ETH unanimously **rules** that:
 - 3.1 Mr Wesley Vermeulen violated par. 2.2.5 of the FIDE Code of Ethics.
 - 3.2 Mr Wesley Vermeulen is sanctioned with a worldwide ban of one (1) year, from 1 January until 31 December 2015. During this period Mr Vermeulen is prohibited from participating in a chess competition, or any in any chess-related activity as a player, arbiter, organiser or representative of a chess federation.
4. The ETH **requests** the FIDE Secretariat to communicate the decision to Mr Wesley Vermeulen, the Romanian and Dutch Chess Federations and the relevant FIDE Commissions and to publish the decision on the FIDE website.

DATED ON THIS THE 15th DAY OF DECEMBER 2014

F P Strydom

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