



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 Rajesh Hari Joshi
Secretary: Ms Elli Sperdokli (non-voting)

during the hearing held in Madrid on 9 April 2017, made the following -

DECISION

Case no. 8/2015: - “Allegations of cheating against Mr Ivan Tetimov (BUL) in Benidorm, 2014

1. The ETH **notes** the absence of its member, Mr Pedro Dominguez Brito, but **confirms** that the four members present constitute a quorum.
2. The ETH **finds** that the case is receivable against Mr Ivan Tetimov, for an alleged violation of par. 2.2.5 of the FIDE Code of Ethics.
3. The ETH **notes** the contents of the report received from the Investigatory Chamber nominated by the FIDE Presidential Board for this case and the IC’s recommendation of a two year suspension.
4. The ETH **notes** the e-mail remarks of Mr Tetimov addressed to the ETH concerning the Chief Arbiter’s report.

5. The ETH **notes** that Mr Tetimov was invited to attend the hearing and/or to make written submissions in mitigation of any sanction to be imposed, but Mr Tetimov elected to be absent from the hearing and not to make any written submissions.
6. The ETH **notes** the written reports of Prof. Ken Regan and Dr. Mark Watkins in regard to the statistical evidence of computer assistance in this case as well as their oral testimony at the hearing.
7. The ETH **finds** that Mr Ivan Tetimov has made himself guilty of cheating during rounds 1 - 9 in the tournament XIII Gran Torneo Internacional Aficionados "A" Sub-2300, held in Benidorm, Spain during the period 28.11.2014 - 07.12.2014 by benefiting from illegal computer assistance.
8. The ETH unanimously **rules** that:
 - 8.1 Mr Ivan Tetimov violated par. 2.2.5 of the FIDE Code of Ethics.
 - 8.2 Mr Ivan Tetimov is sanctioned with a worldwide ban of 2 years to take effect from 18 April 2017 and to end on 17 April 2019. During this period Mr Tetimov is prohibited from participating as a player in any rated chess competition or any chess-related activity as an arbiter, organiser or representative of any chess body.
9. The ETH **undertakes** to furnish its written motivation with full reasons for the above-mentioned decisions within one (1) month hereof.
10. The ETH **requests** the FIDE Secretariat to communicate the decision to Mr Ivan Tetimov, the Bulgarian Chess Federation, the Investigatory Chamber per IA Klaus Deventer and the Anti-Cheating Commission and to publish the decision on the FIDE website.

DATED ON THIS THE 18th DAY OF APRIL 2017

F P Strydom

CHAIRMAN

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