To the members of FIFA and the confederations

Circular no. 1155

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Amendments to the FIFA Disciplinary Code

Dear Sir or Madam,

We wish to draw your attention to the following amendments and additions that, among others, were made to the FIFA Disciplinary Code (FDC) during the FIFA Executive Committee meeting in Sydney on 27 May 2008:

Art. 38 par. 2 of the FDC governing the carrying-over of match suspensions was slightly adapted in order to reflect the jurisprudence of the FIFA Disciplinary Committee.

Art. 52 of the FDC governing team misconduct was also changed in the sense that a fine may now be imposed where the referee sanctions at least five members of the same team during a match, whether by means of a caution or expulsion (and not only by means of a caution as provided for in the previous version of the FDC). Furthermore the fine for team misconduct is no longer limited to a maximum of CHF 15,000.

An updated version of the provision governing the fight against racism is also provided for under art. 58 of the FDC.

Finally, the recent establishment of the Early Warning System in the fight against irregular betting led to the modification of art. 76 of the FDC.

The new provisions take effect on 1 August 2008.

Thank you for your kind attention to the foregoing.

Yours faithfully,
FIFA

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