To the members of FIFA and the confederations

Circular no. 1175

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Amendments to the FIFA Disciplinary Code

Dear Sir or Madam,

We wish to draw your attention to the following amendments that were made to the FIFA Disciplinary Code (FDC) during the FIFA Executive Committee meeting in Tokyo on 20 December 2008.

Among minor adaptations to the previous version of the text, the most significant amendment to the 2009 edition of the FDC concerns the rules governing the fight against doping.

The new article 63 of the FDC makes express and direct reference to the new FIFA Anti-Doping Regulations (ADR), which came into force on 1 January 2009 and include all provisions that were laid down in articles 64 to 70 of the previous version of the FDC.

As a consequence of the above-mentioned amendments, both the definition of doping and the sanctions applicable in case of anti-doping rule violations are now clearly indicated in the ADR.

The new FIFA Disciplinary Code took effect on 1 January 2009.

Thank you for your kind attention to the foregoing.

Yours faithfully,
FIFA

Jerome Valcke
Secretary General

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