IN THE MATTER OF AN APPEAL UNDER ARTICLE 14 OF THE IFA ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

Between

EAST BELFAST FC

Appellant

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IFA FOOTBALL COMMITTEE

Respondent

APPEALS COMMITTEE

Rachel Best KC (Chair)

David Lennox

Carley Shields

INTRODUCTION

1. By agreement, the issue in this appeal was whether the lodging an appeal, to a disciplinary challenge decision, had the effect of staying the sanction pending the outcome of the appeal.

DECISION

2. It is the decision of the IFA Appeals Committee that as with any disciplinary challenge decision there is a right of appeal under Article 14 of the Articles, as provided for in Article 35 of the Disciplinary Code. The lodging of such appeal, once deemed to be in order, does have the effect of staying the sanction pending the outcome of the appeal. This is in line with the established practice of the IFA Appeals Committee.

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