



**INTERNATIONAL JUDO FEDERATION
DISCIPLINARY COMMISSION**

CASE: n°2021-12

Mr. Losseni KONE

COMMISSION COMPOSITION:

- Mr. Envic GALEA	President
- Mr Franco CAPELLETTI	Member
- Mr. Dick D. JOHANSSON	Member

CONCERNED PERSON:

- **Mr. Losseni KONE**
Athlete, Germany

FACTS AND PROCEDURE:

During the Junior World Championships Mixed Teams event, after a bronze medal fight between Ukraine and Germany, on October 10th 2021 in Olbia, Italy, the German judoka Mr. Losseni KONE started running and jumping on the tatami. The IJF Education and Coaching Director Mr. Mohamed MERIDJA went to the German coach as well as the judoka and talked to them and reminded them that the judo values and code of ethics need to be respected at all times.

On November 10th 2021, the International Judo Federation General Secretary informed Mr. KONE that a disciplinary procedure was open against him and asked him to choose between the written procedure and the hearing.

On November 16th, 2021, Mr. KONE, who has chosen a written procedure, gave the following explanation:

“I had meanwhile the opportunity to watch the video myself and was deeply shocked myself by the effect of the images. – I am a young, extroverted and very emotional person. In my joy and still young career over my first medal during a Judo World Championships, I missed to control my joy as it would have been necessary and appropriate in the situation on the Tatami. – My behavior was definitely inappropriate ostentatious but to no times it was my intention to violate the rules of the IJF or go against the values of the Judo Sport. – I already had a very serious talk with my trainers and further representatives of the German Judo Federation and I herewith promise that such behavior will not be repeated in the future. I will control myself much better and maintain the necessary discipline on and off the Tatami. Moreover I will honor, observe and stand up for the pedagogical and ethical values of the Judo Sport. – In consideration of this statement and apology I hope that the sanction will be as lenient as possible.”

The IJF Disciplinary Commission has seen the video from the event.

REGARDING THE CASE FILE:

It is very clear that Mr. Kone failed to control his emotions on the tatami after the victory and his behaviour is a clear breach of the Code of Ethics and against the spirit of Judo.

ON THESE GROUNDS, THE IJF DISCIPLINARY COMMISSION:

Pronounces against Mr. Losseni KONE a warning.

- **Says that this decision shall be communicated to:**

- Mr. Marius VIZER, IJF President
- Mr. Jean Luc ROUGÉ, IJF General Secretary
- Mr. Sergey SOLOVEYCHIK, EJU President
- Mr. Mohamed MERIDJA, IJF Education and Coaching Director
- Mr. Vladimir BARTA, IJF Head Sport Director
- Dr. Lisa ALLAN, IJF Events Director
- German Judo Federation President
- Mr. Losseni KONE

Informs Mr. Losseni KONE that this decision is subject to appeal with the Court of Arbitration for Sport. The time limit for appeal shall be twenty-one days from the receipt of the decision appealed against.

Paris, November 22, 2021

President
Mr. Envic GALEA

Member
Mr. Dick D. JOHANSSON