

CASE: n° 2018-1 Mr. Renat SAIDOV

COMMISSION COMPOSITION:

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President Vice-President Member

CONCERNED PERSON:

- Mr. Renat SAIDOV; Russian Athlete

FACTS AND PROCEDURE:

The IJF Disciplinary Commission received, on the 14th November 2018 an incident report regarding Mr. Renat SAIDOV during the 2018 Grand Prix of Tashkent regarding an incident that happened on the 11th November 2018.

"Allegations/Established Facts

On last day of the competition of the Grand Prix of Tashkent 2018, during his semi-final fight against Bekmurod (UZB), Renat SAIDOV +100 kg from Russia, had a disrespectful attitude towards the referee described as follows:

-He refused to comply with an instruction from the referee to put his judogi in order,

-At the end of the fight, SAIDOV got close to the referee and scornfully was clapping his hands. -When the referee was leaving the tatami; the Russian athlete approached the Referee and shouted at him in Russian language; A language the referee (BRA) does not understand. It is suspected that the judoka did not use appropriate language.

I decided to set up immediately an ad hoc commission to address this issue. It was composed of Mr Vladimir Barta, Mr Jan Snijders, Mr Armen Bagdasarov and myself.

Just afterwards we called the athlete and asked him to give grounds for his behaviour that does not meet the requirements of the moral code of judo.

During the preliminary hearing, the commission emphasized that the behaviour of the athlete is against IJF Ethics rule. The event is on live streaming and it took place in front of a large audience. The commission told him that he should act at all times as a role model in compliance with judo values.

As a transition measure the commission decided to disqualify the athlete from his bronze fight scheduled at 17:00.

The athlete was given the opportunity to apologise but did not. He rather wanted to comment the referee's decisions which he considers as unfair.

He was reminded by the commission that there are procedures he could follow in order to see again his fight and make any comments.

The coach was not present during the hearing as he had to accompany some of his athletes back to the hotel. However, before the start of the final block he approached the members of the commission

and apologised for the attitude of his athlete which he considers as unacceptable. He reported that the athlete never caused any trouble in the past.

Conclusion:

The attitude of the athlete is against the spirit of judo and current Ethics Code. It also occurred in front of a large audience and caused prejudice to judo image.

Recommendation:

Send the report to the General Secretariat to call for a disciplinary Session.

P/O ad hoc Commission Mr Mohamed MERIDJA IJF Education Director Tashkent 11/11/2018 "

Mr. Renat SAIDOV was heard after the incident and could express his observations. The report was sent to Mr. Renat SAIDOV.

REGARDING THE CASE FILE,

Mr. Renat SAIDOV did not contest his misconduct during the 2018 Grand Prix of Tashkent and did not apologise for his action.

This misconduct which is against the judo moral code and especially the principle of control of oneself, respect and politeness and against the IJF Code of Ethics, took place on the tatami, during a public and broadcasted competition, and damaged the International Judo Federation and judo in general image.

IJF can't accept that athletes contest referees' decision.

This particularly behaviour is not acceptable from a top level athlete who has to set a good example and respect specially the referees in all circumstances.

ON THESE GROUNDS, THE IJF DISCIPLINARY COMMISSION:

- Confirms the disqualification of Mr. Renat SAIDOV of the Grand Prix of Tashkent 2018.
- Pronounces against Mr. Renat SAIDOV a 3 months suspension from all competitions organized or authorized by International Judo Federation and its Unions,
 - Specifies that the sanction against Mr. Renat SAIDOV is suspended totally.
 - Specifies that the remission shall be revoked in case of any new sanction concerning Mr. Renat SAIDOV within 3 years of this decision.
- Says that this decision shall be communicated to :
 - Mr. Marius VIZER, IJF President ;
 - Mr. Jean Luc ROUGE, IJF General Secretary;
 - Mr. Sergey SOLOVEYCHIK, EJU President;
 - Mr. Mohamed MERIDJA, IJF Education and Coaching Director;
 - Mr. Vladimir BARTA, IJF Head Sport Director;
 - Russian Judo Federation;
 - Mr. Renat SAIDOV;
- Informs Mr. Renat SAIDOV that this decision is subject to appeal with the IJF Disciplinary Commission within one calendar month from the incident date, an appeal will not delay the sanction.

Paris, the 23rd November 2018

Vice-President Mr. Hirofumi OTSUJI

President Mr. Envic GALEA