

# INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION

## Communication No. 1725

### Decision of Court of Arbitration for Sport

Further to ISU communication N° 1706, concerning the decision of the ISU Disciplinary commission dated October 10, 2011 and the appeals filed by Mr. Thibault Fauconnet and by the ISU at the Court of Arbitration for Sports on the case of Mr. Thibault Fauconnet (FRA), the CAS rendered its Arbitral Awards on April 19, 2012. The CAS ruled:

1. The appeal filed by Mr. Thibault Fauconnet on 21 October 2011 is dismissed.
2. The appeal filed by the International Skating Union on 31 October 2011 is upheld.
3. Mr. Thibault Fauconnet is declared ineligible for a period of eighteen months, starting on December 12, 2010.
4. Mr. Thibault Fauconnet's competitive results obtained from December 12, 2010, to date, including but not limited to, (i) his results obtained at the 2011 ISU European Championships in Heerenveen (14. - 16.01.2011); (ii) his results obtained at the ISU World Cup 2010/2011 in Moscow (11. - 13.2.2011); (iii) his results obtained at the ISU World Cup 2010/2011 in Dresden (18. - 20.2.2011); and (iv) his results obtained at the 2011 ISU World Short Track Championships in Sheffield (11. - 13.3.2011), are disqualified with all the resulting consequences including forfeiture on any medals, points and prizes.
5. Competitive results obtained by any Short Track Team in which Mr. Thibaut Fauconnet competed as a member of the team from December 12, 2010 to date, including but not limited to, the 6<sup>th</sup> place reached by the French team at the ISU European Championships in Heerenveen (14. - 16.01.2011), in 5'000 meter relay, the second place reached by the French team at the ISU World Cup 2010/2011 in Moscow (11. - 13.2.2011) in 5'000 meter relay and the 8<sup>th</sup> places reached by the French team at the ISU World Championships in Sheffield (11. - 13.3.2011) are disqualified with all the resulting consequences including forfeiture of any medals, points and prizes.
6. This award is pronounced without costs, except for the Court Office fee already paid by the parties, to be retained by the Court of Arbitration for Sport.
7. Each party will bear its own costs.
8. All other requests for relief are rejected.

As the decision of the Disciplinary Commission was stayed through a CAS decision between November 28, 2011 (with effect November 29, 2011) until April 19, 2012 (with effect April 20, 2012), i.e. four months and 21 days and taking into account that according to the CAS Award the period of ineligibility starts on December 12, 2010 it will run until November 1, 2012.

In addition, considering the period of stay during which Mr. Thibault Fauconnet competed, his competitive results obtained from November 28, 2011 to April 19, 2012, including but not limited to (i) his results obtained at 2012 ISU European Championships in Mlada Boleslav (27. -

29.01.2012); (ii) his results obtained at the ISU World Cup 2011/2012 in Moscow (3. - 5.2.2012); (iii) his results obtained at the ISU World Cup 2011/2012 in Dordrecht (10. - 12.2.2012); (iv) his results obtained at the 2012 ISU World Short Track Championships in Shanghai (9. – 11.3.2012) are disqualified with all the resulting consequences including forfeiture on any medals, points and prizes.

The full decision is published on the ISU website.

Milano,  
May 4, 2012  
Lausanne,

**Ottavio Cinquanta**, President

**Fredi Schmid**, Director General