UWW DISCIPLINARY CHAMBER

DECISION

Case:

United World Wrestling (UWW)

v.

Mr. Azat Beishebekov

Single Member of the Panel:
Mr Beltcho Goranov

Prosecutor: UWW General Secretary

I. Introduction

- 1. This is the final Decision of the UWW Disciplinary Chamber as between United World Wrestling ("UWW") and Mr. Azat Beishebekov (also referred to as the "Athlete") relating to a violation arising from the Disciplinary Procedure & Dispute Resolution Regulations ("Disciplinary Regulations") in its version of November 2003 and other relevant rules.
- 2. United World Wrestling (UWW) is the governing body for the sport of Wrestling. It is based in Corsier-sur-Vevey, Switzerland.
- 3. Mr. Beishebekov is currently a coach for the wrestling federation of Kyrgyzstan. He was a Grecoroman wrestler for the same country from 2004 until 2018.
- 4. As a holder of a UWW international licence and as an athlete regularly entered in official international sanctioned events, he is subject to the jurisdiction of UWW and bound to comply with all Regulations, rules and directives.

II. Facts

5. UWW was informed of a potential breach to the international wrestling rules through the UWW Administration, in particular the alleged commission of competition manipulation consisting in a misrepresentation of the actual age of Mr. Beishebekov in 2004 at the Cadet Asian Champ (at the age of 18, i.e. 1 year older than the authorized age) and in 2008 at the Junior Asian Championship (at the age of 22, i.e. 2 years older than the authorized age).

- 6. The information concerning his actual age was verified and confirmed through a birth certificate.
- 7. It is worth noting that Mr. Danov took the 2nd place in his category (silver medal).
- 8. On 22 January 2025, the athlete was notified of the commencement of disciplinary proceedings with respect to this violation. He was offered 10 days to submit his explanations.
- 9. On 28 January 2025, the Secretary General of the Kyrgyz national federation answered that the athlete was convened to clarify these facts, which were ultimately confirmed
- 10. All elements of the case were then forwarded to this sole judge for consideration and decision.

III. Applicable rules

- 11. From the outset, this Sole Judge notes that article 14 of the current Disciplinary Rules, and article 58 of the 2003 edition provide for a four year statute of limitation for any infringement to the rules. These disciplinary proceedings should therefore be terminated without any disciplinary consequence.
- 12. This said, the result of this violation is still effective and should not remain uncorrected. For the sake of fairness towards the other wrestlers in this category, the results of the athlete should be disqualified, with resulting consequences, i.e. the return of the medal.

IV. Decision

Considering the above and the confirmation of the violation by the athlete and his national federation; and considering fairness for other athletes and to correct the situation created by this breach, this Sole Judge rules that:

- I. The competition results of Mr. Beishebekov achieved at the Asian Championships in U17/U15 in 2004, and in U20 in 2008 are disqualified;
- II. Mr. Beishebekov is ordered to return the Bronze medal to the UWW Administration within 30 days. The medal shall be reallocated to the next athlete after modification of the results.

V. Right to Appeal

The conditions to appeal against this decision are described in the Disciplinary and Dispute Resolution Regulations.

To be notified to the Athlete (c/o the National Federation).

Beltcho Goranov Sole Member

Chairman of the UWW Disciplinary Chamber

Sofia, 3 February 2025