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Tennis Integrity Unit response to release of Q4 ESSA report

Responding to the publication of ESSA's Q4 integrity report today, a Tennis Integrity Unit spokesman said:

ESSA is one of the organisations that has a Memorandum of Understanding with the Tennis Integrity Unit (TIU).

All information supplied by betting operators is analysed by the TIU. This analysis includes many other factors that can influence results, including player fitness, fatigue, form, playing conditions and personal circumstances. If the analysis suggests suspicious activity, the TIU moves to investigation which includes interviewing players, taking phones and laptops.

An alert can be an indicator of suspicious activity. But it is not proof or evidence that corruption has taken place.

On its own, betting data is not sufficient to bring forward a successful prosecution; it has to be considered, assessed and verified along with the TIU's many other sources of intelligence.

Statistics of the kind released today by ESSA must be considered in that light.

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