

MEDIA RELEASE

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Tennis player Alexandros Jakupovic found guilty of breaches of the Tennis Anti-Corruption Program

Greek tennis player Alexandros Jakupovic has been found guilty of offenses under the Tennis Anti-Corruption Program (Program) in a Decision issued today.

Mr Jakupovic, 33, was found guilty of five Charges* laid under Section D of the 2013 and 2014 editions of the Program. He will be sanctioned at a later date, yet to be determined, and is suspended from competition with immediate effect, pending a final Decision on sanctions.

Independent Anti-Corruption Hearing Officer Jane Mulcahy QC considered the case at a Hearing held in London on 29 September 2015, following an investigation carried out by the Tennis Integrity Unit.

*The five Charges laid and proven against Mr Jakupovic include:

- Charge one: Section D.1.d: No Covered Person shall, directly or indirectly, contrive or attempt to contrive the outcome or any other aspect of any Event
- Charge two: Section D.1.e: *No Covered Person shall, directly or indirectly, solicit or facilitate any Player to not use his or her best efforts in any Event*
- Charge three: Section D.1.g: *No Covered Person shall, directly or indirectly, offer or provide any money, benefit or Consideration to any other Covered Person with the intention of negatively influencing a Player's best efforts in any Event*
- Charges four and five: breaches of Section D.2.a.i: In the event any Player is approached by any person who offers or provides any type of money, benefit or Consideration to a Player to (i) influence the outcome or any other aspect of any Event, or (ii) provide Inside Information, it shall be the Player's obligation to report such incident to the TIU as soon as possible

Sanctions against the player will be announced in due course, but consistent with the confidentiality of the Anti-Corruption Hearing process, no further details of the Hearing or Decision will be made public.

The Tennis Integrity Unit is an initiative of the Grand Slam Board, the International Tennis Federation, the ATP World Tour and the WTA, who are jointly committed to a zero tolerance approach to corruption in tennis.

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Note to editors:

The Tennis Anti-Corruption Program is the code of conduct which applies to all professional tennis players and associated Covered Persons. A copy can be downloaded from the TIU website at <u>www.tennisintegrityunit.com</u>

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