

ISSAM TAWEEL FOUND GUILTY OF MATCH-FIXING OFFENCES BY INDEPENDENT ANTI-CORRUPTION HEARING OFFICER

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Egyptian tennis player Issam Taweel has been found guilty of match-fixing and other corruption offences under the Tennis Anti-Corruption Program (TACP).

Mr Taweel, 29, was found guilty of three charges, including attempting to contrive the outcome of a match, failing to report a corrupt approach and failing to disclose knowledge of the corrupt activity of another party.

Independent Anti-Corruption Hearing Officer (AHO) Jane Mulcahy QC considered the case at a Hearing held in London on 26 February 2019, following an investigation by the Tennis Integrity Unit.

Having been found guilty of all charges, the player will be sanctioned at a future date to be determined by AHO Mulcahy. Details of the Decision on disciplinary sanctions will be made public when received.

Until that time Mr Taweel has been provisionally suspended and is prohibited from competing in or attending any event sanctioned or authorised by the governing bodies of tennis.

He is currently ranked 1175 in ITF World Tennis Tour singles and has no ATP ranking.

The breaches of the TACP which he has been found guilty of are:

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.

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.

Section D.2.a.ii - In the event any Player knows or suspects that any other Covered Person or other individual has committed a Corruption Offense, it shall be the Player's obligation to report such knowledge or suspicion to the TIU as soon as possible.

Ends

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