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STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT - J. GLATZ / TURF TAPPER**

BALAKLAVA - RACE 6 - 14 AUGUST 2019

Stewards concluded an inquiry on Tuesday, 23 February 2021 into the analysis of a post-race urine sample taken on Wednesday, 14 August 2019 from the racehorse **Turf Tapper**, which was presented to race in and won Race 6 the Terminus Hotel Balaklava Benchmark 60 Handicap run over 1050 metres at the Balaklava Racecourse. Analysis of the sample disclosed the presence of *Arsenic*, at a level in excess of the threshold set for *Arsenic* under the rules of racing, being 0.30 mg/L (0.3 milligrams per Litre).

Evidence was taken from Mr. J. Glatz, the Trainer of **Turf Tapper**, Veterinary Surgeon, Dr. R. Haensel and Racing Analytical Services Limited Laboratory Scientific Manager, Mr. P. Zahra. Stewards also considered the findings of a study conducted in Australia. Stewards noted, having regard for this study, that in certain circumstances, where there is evidence of a horse being exposed to ingestion of Chromated Copper Arsenate (CCA) treated wood fencing, it is possible for such horse to disclose elevated levels of Arsenic. Notwithstanding these findings, after considering the evidence, Stewards charged Mr. J. Glatz under AR240(2) (a strict liability rule), the particulars being that as a licensed trainer and the trainer of the racehorse **Turf Tapper** at all relevant times leading up to and including Wednesday, 14 August 2019, he did bring the said racehorse to the Balaklava Racecourse where it competed in and won Race 6 the Terminus Hotel Balaklava Benchmark 60 Handicap run over 1050 metres, after which a urine sample taken from the horse disclosed upon analysis the substance *Arsenic* at a level of 0.59 mg/L in urine which is above the threshold declared under the rules of racing of 0.30 mg/L in urine (a prohibited substance under the rules of racing). Mr. Glatz pleaded guilty to the charge.

In determining penalty Stewards had regard for the circumstances in this case, including the likely exposure of **Turf Tapper** to, and ingestion by the gelding of CCA treated wood fencing. Consequently, Stewards imposed no penalty. The effect of this determination means that Stewards recorded a conviction without penalty.

Acting under AR240(1), Stewards determined that **Turf Tapper** be disqualified from Race 6 the Terminus Hotel Balaklava Benchmark 60 Handicap run over 1050 metres on 14 August 2019 at the Balaklava Racecourse.

Consequently, the new result of the race is:

1 st	Sand Cat
2 nd	He is Golden
3 rd	Sophina Diva
4 th	Crystal Moment
5 th	Rushwa

Mr. Glatz was informed of his right of appeal.

**J. PETZER
CHAIRMAN OF STEWARDS
23 February 2021**