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INVESTIGATIONS

Brazil

Brazilian Soccer Player Tried in Match-Fixing Case

In Brazil, a football player who was sitting trial for his alleged involvement in match-fixing, was found not guilty. The investigation was led by Brazil's Parliamentary Investigation Commission (CPI) and the Brazilian Football Confederation (CBF).

Source: 29 October 2023, *Online Casinos*

<https://www.online-casinos.com/news/sport/brazilian-soccer-player-tried-in-match-fixing-case.html>

Germany

Verdacht der Wettmanipulation in Regionalliga: Jetzt laufen die Ermittlungen auf Hochtouren!

In Germany, the Football Regionalliga Südwest is conducting investigations into suspected match manipulation involving the game between two clubs, with both fourth tier clubs expressing full cooperation. The Bundesinnenministerium received indications of possible manipulation from a betting provider, prompting legal and sports judicial proceedings, and an independent special investigator will be appointed to examine the case.

Source: 21 October 2023, *TAG 24*

Football

<https://www.tag24.de/sport/fussball/verdacht-der-wettmanipulation-in-regionalliga-jetzt-laufen-die-ermittlungen-auf-hochtouren-2989200>

Spain

Una red internacional radicada en España amañó apuestas con el retraso en la retransmisión del Mundial de Qatar

An international network based in Spain manipulated bets by exploiting delays in the broadcast of the Qatar World Cup. The operation, known as "Operación Mursal," involved a cartel that allegedly fixed matches in table tennis and infiltrated four Spanish football stadiums, taking advantage of delays in live broadcasts to place winning bets based on insider information obtained through signal piracy.

Source: 18 October 2023, *El Mundo*

<https://www.elmundo.es/deportes/futbol/2023/10/18/652e72a2e9cf4a3b2f8b45a3.html>

SENTENCES/SANCTIONS

Canada

NHL issues first sports betting ban to Ottawa Senators star Pinto

In Canada, The National Hockey League (NHL) suspended a player from one of the league's Eastern Conference teams'. The player was allegedly involved in activities that violated the league's policy on sport betting.

Source: 27 October 2023, *iGaming Business*

<https://igamingbusiness.com/social-responsibility/sports-integrity/nhl-sports-betting-ban-ottawa-senators-pinto/>

Italy

Sandro Tonali banned for 10 months in illegal betting case

In Italy, a Premiere League football player was handed a 10-month ban by the Italian Football Federation (FIGC) following his connection to an illegal betting investigation. The player, who is from Italy, was involved in a network of illegal bets on matches for Milan.

Source: 26 October 2023, *The Limited Times*

Football

<https://newsrnd.com/sports/2023-10-26-sandro-tonali-banned-for-10-months-in-illegal-betting-case.ByYyW8uMa.html>

ODDS AND ENDS

Global

Integrity Report Q3 2023

The International Betting Integrity Association (IBIA) released its third quarter report of 2023. The publication captures global and regional trends and reports global betting alerts impacting various sports.

Source: 18 October 2023, *International Betting Integrity Association*

https://mcusercontent.com/2a0b859d1d1b078b51ab0969e/files/4be06ac6-4100-0547-b4b6-acafaef8b771/IBIA_Q3_2023_Integrity_Report_Final.pdf

MATCH FIXING

China

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A Super Basketball League star from China is implicated in match-fixing allegations, leading the Chinese Taipei Basketball Association to revoke his player registration and prohibit all affiliated teams and leagues from hiring him, as stated in a press release.

Source: 18 October 2023, *CBC*

Basketball

https://news.ebc.net.tw/news/sport/387474?utm_source=yahoonews&utm_medium=yahoo&utm_campaign=marketing