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INVESTIGATIONS

Brazil

Sports betting: 18 football matches are under suspicion of match-fixing

In Brazil, several cases of sports result manipulation at the state level have recently been reported, and police have already begun investigations to understand the origin and prevent this type of problem in sports. The Civil Police of Sao Paulo is currently investigating eighteen cases of sports result manipulation in state football. Eleven police investigations are currently ongoing involving seventeen football matches in the women's Brasileiro, Copa Paulista, Série B (the state's fourth division), and Campeonato Paulista under-20.

Source: 13 September 2022, iGaming Brazil

<https://igamingbrazil.com/en/sports-betting-en/2022/09/13/sports-betting-18-football-matches-are-under-suspicion-of-match-fixing/>

Ireland

Operation Brookweed – Day of Action in relation to Match-Fixing in the League of Ireland – 15th September 2022

The Garda National Economic Crime Bureau (GNECB) of An Garda Sochána's Anti-Bribery & Corruption Unit conducted a day of action in relation to alleged match-fixing in the League of Ireland. As part of the planned operation, two males (in their 30s) were arrested in the Dublin Region on suspicion of conspiracy to defraud contrary to common law and are currently detained at a Garda station in South Dublin under Section 4 of the Criminal Justice Act 1984. Local Garda resources from both Regions are assisting with today's operation. Officers from INTERPOL's Match-Fixing Task Force have also traveled from INTERPOL's headquarters in Lyon, France, to assist with the operation.

Source: 15 September 2022, An Garda Siochana

<https://www.garda.ie/garda/en/about-us/our-departments/office-of-corporate-communications/press-releases/2022/september/operation-brookweed-day-of-action-in-relation-to-match-fixing-in-the-league-of-ireland-15th-september-2022.html>

SENTENCES/SANCTIONS

Bangladesh

BFF suspends Uttar Baridhara and Karwan Bazar Pragati in fixing scandal

In Bangladesh, two Premier League football clubs have been demoted by two tiers as they were found guilty of live betting, spot and match fixing in professional football leagues

Source: 8 September 2022, The Daily Star

Football

<https://www.thedailystar.net/sports/football/news/bff-suspends-uttar-baridhara-and-karwan-bazar-pragati-fixing-scandal-3114521>

Zambia

Match fixing comments hands Mutapa 3 match ban

The Football Association of Zambia (FAZ) Disciplinary Committee has imposed a three-match ban on the head coach of NAPSA Stars. His suspension follows allegations of match fixing during a National Division One week 23 match in February.

Source: 13 September 2022, Zambian Football

Football

<https://zambianfootball.co.zm/match-fixing-comments-hands-mutapa-3-match-ban/>



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BETTING

Philippines

11 basketball players nabbed for illegal gambling in Balamban

In the Philippines, police surprised basketball players in western Cebu and confirmed apprehending 11 people who were playing basketball while also illegally gambling and betting. Those arrested were caught in the act of illegal gambling and basketball betting. Enforcers seized cash believed to be bet money, as well as one basketball scorecard.

Source: 7 September 2022, Cebu Daily News

<https://cebudailynews.inquirer.net/462863/11-basketball-players-nabbed-for-illegal-gambling-in-balamban#ixzz7ewb4XHMT>

ODDS AND ENDS

Basel Institute of Governance

Money laundering through the gambling industry

The Basel Institute has released a quick guide that sets out how criminals abuse the gambling industry to launder illicit funds. It includes numerous recent case studies to illustrate different ways of laundering money in casinos, online gambling websites, bars and clubs, as well as physical and online sports betting services. The guide also looks at what gambling businesses and public authorities can do to better prevent and detect money laundering in this industry.

Source: 8 September 2022, Basel Institute on Governance

<https://baselgovernance.org/sites/default/files/2022-09/QG28%20gambling.pdf>

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FATF and INTERPOL intensify global asset recovery

The Financial Action Task Force (FATF) and INTERPOL have joined forces to deprive criminals of their dirty money, marking a turning point in global efforts to recover illicit assets. While asset recovery should be a key component of a country's approach to combating money laundering and terrorist financing, the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime estimates that countries intercept and recover less than 1% of global illicit financial flows. Stolen assets are frequently moved quickly out of countries and channeled to or through multiple countries, making asset recovery complex and requiring lengthy international cooperation.

Source: 13 September 2022, INTERPOL

<https://www.interpol.int/News-and-Events/News/2022/FATF-and-INTERPOL-intensify-global-asset-recovery>

MATCH FIXING

Brazil

Two footballers in Brazil sacked for alleged match fixing after 'ugly' own goal

In Brazil, an apparent video of a midfielder purposefully shooting the ball into his own net just before the final whistle has been released. When he received a pass back from a teammate, he turned and casually lofted the ball past his goalkeeper, who made no attempt to block the strike from passing him by.

Source: 7 September 2022, GIVEMESPORT

<https://www.givemesport.com/88057300-two-footballers-in-brazil-sacked-for-alleged-match-fixing-after-ugly-own-goal>

Ecuador

Ecuador face being kicked out of the World Cup as Sportsmail reveal new evidence of fake passports, multiple identities and an apparent cover-up... with audio and documents confirming Byron Castillo WAS born in Colombia

Ecuador could be banned from taking part in the World Cup after one of their players admitted to using a false birth certificate in a confession which was at first covered up by the Ecuador Football Federation (FEF).

Source: 12 September 2022, Daily Mail

Football

<https://www.dailymail.co.uk/sport/sportsnews/article-11203773/Ecuador-face-kicked-World-Cup-new-evidence-Byron-Castillo-Colombian.html>

