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SENTENCES/SANCTIONS

Cameroon

Cameroon suspends Geremi Njitap for five years amid feud with Eto'o

Former Cameroonian international Geremi Njitap has been suspended for five years from all football activities by the Cameroon Football Federation (Fécafoot) following a dispute during an AFCON match, a decision that sparked backlash from the Confederation of African Football (CAF) and intensified tensions with Fécafoot president Samuel Eto'o. The suspension, alongside a hefty fine, highlights deep divisions and governance issues within Cameroonian football.

Source: 18 June 2025, Cameroon Online

<https://www.cameroononline.org/geremi-njitap-handed-5-year-suspension/>

United Kingdom

Former Surrey Scorchers players given lifetime bans for match fixing in BBL

In the U.K., five former Surrey Scorchers players have been banned for their involvement in a match-fixing ring that manipulated at least six British Basketball League games during the 2022-23 season, with four receiving lifetime bans and one a 10-year suspension. The investigation, led by FIBA and British authorities, exposed serious corruption in British basketball amid the collapse of the BBL and ongoing disputes between new league operators and the British Basketball Federation.

Source: 12 June 2025, Hoopsfix

<https://www.hoopsfix.com/2025/06/former-surrey-scorchers-players-given-lifetime-bans-for-match-fixing-in-bbl/>

DOPING

United Kingdom

Mykhailo Mudryk: Chelsea winger charged by FA with anti-doping violations

In the U.K., Chelsea player Mykhailo Mudryk was provisionally suspended by the FA in December 2024 after testing positive for the banned substance meldonium, which he says was administered abroad when not on Chelsea duty, and he faces a potential ban of up to four years while maintaining his innocence and claiming possible contamination.

Source: 19 June 2025, Sky Sports

Football

<https://www.skysports.com/football/news/11668/13385596/mykhailo-mudryk-chelsea-winger-charged-by-fa-with-anti-doping-violations>

United States

Racing trainer who won €30m faces deportation after prison stint for doping charge

In the United States, a horse trainer was released early from federal prison after serving over three years for his role in a major 2020 doping scandal involving performance-enhancing drugs in horse racing. Navarro, who coordinated a covert doping scheme affecting high-profile races and horses, now faces possible deportation as a non-US citizen.

Source: 19 June 2025, Irish Mirror

<https://www.irishmirror.ie/sport/horse-racing/jorge-navarro-trainer-jail-release-35419810>

ODDS AND ENDS

Canada

Corruption unit flies in to probe Cricket Canada's involvement in betting scam

In Canada, a high-powered ICC anti-corruption team has arrived in Toronto to investigate allegations of illegal betting, match-fixing, and board interference within Cricket Canada, sparked by a damning recorded tape exposing corruption involving team selection and betting links to bookmakers. Cricket Canada has faced ongoing turmoil, including fired coaches, a captain arrested for drug possession, and governance issues, complicating efforts to maintain the sport's integrity as the team competes for a spot in the 2026 World Twenty20 Cup.

Source: 16 June 2025, MSN

Cricket

<https://www.msn.com/en-ca/sports/cricket/corruption-unit-flies-in-to-probe-cricket-canadas-involvement-in-betting-scam/ar-AA1GsQa0?ocid=BingNewsVerp>

Ghana

Young Apostles Coach Shakes Ghana Premier League with Bribery Claims

In Ghana, Young Apostles coach Afoakwa criticized Ghana Premier League referees and team owners, claiming they control the matches rather than the coaches, amid ongoing concerns about corruption and biased officiating in Ghanaian football. His comments come after Bibiani Gold Stars won the league and Young Apostles narrowly avoided relegation, likely fueling renewed calls for reform and greater accountability in the league.

Source: 13 June 2025, Footboom

<https://www.footboom1.com/en/news/football/2611188-young-apostles-coach-shakes-ghana-premier-league-with-bribery-claims>

Netherlands

Dutch authorities to stop actively detecting match fixing

In the Netherlands, the Public Prosecution Service (OM) will stop actively investigating match-fixing, redirecting its limited resources elsewhere after the project yielded only two cases since 2013. Notable incidents included two teenagers bribing players to fix football matches and a professional player suspended for gambling on games, but overall, match-fixing cases have been rare in the country.

Source: 18 June 2025, *NL Times*

<https://nltimes.nl/2025/06/18/dutch-authorities-stop-actively-detecting-match-fixing>

Turkey

Jose Mourinho Targeted by Turkish Federation in Explosive WhatsApp Scandal

Portuguese professional football manager, Jose Mourinho, is embroiled in controversy in Turkey after leaked WhatsApp messages revealed Turkish Football Federation officials plotting to punish him, sparking accusations of bias and corruption within the federation. Despite the backlash and resignation of the entire TFF disciplinary board, Mourinho remains defiant, with fans and players rallying behind him amid calls for reform in Turkish football governance.

Source: 19 June 2025, *Athlon Sports*

Football

<https://athlonsports.com/soccer/scandal-alert-turkish-footballs-whatsapp-war-on-jose-mourinho>

INTEGRITY IN SPORT EVENTS

Vietnam

Le Vietnam affirme son rôle proactif et positif dans la lutte mondiale contre le dopage

The Intergovernmental Ministerial Conference for Asia and Oceania, supported by the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) and hosted by the UAE, gathered government representatives to discuss the growing complexities of anti-doping efforts, emphasizing international cooperation, financial support, and regional representation in WADA's executive council. Vietnam demonstrated strong commitment by sharing its recent anti-doping initiatives, cooperation with international agencies, and plans to host upcoming ASEAN sports minister meetings.

Source: 19 June 2025, *Vietnam*

<https://www.vietnam.vn/fr/viet-nam-khang-dinh-vai-tro-chu-dong-va-tich-cuc-trong-cuoc-chien-chong-doping-toan-cau>

CORRUPTION

Malaysia

Ex-sports dept head charged with bribery and false claims

In Malaysia, a former director of the Melaka Youth and Sports Department, Khairol Adri Rosli, has pleaded not guilty to five charges involving bribery and submitting false claims totaling RM126,100 related to upgrading works at a sports complex. He was granted bail of RM20,000, with the next court date set for August 15, and faces potential prison sentences and fines if convicted.

Source: 18 June 2025, *The Star*

<https://www.thestar.com.my/news/nation/2025/06/18/ex-sports-dept-head-charged-with-bribery-and-false-claims>

