

32nd AFC Disciplinary and Ethics Committee Meeting on 23 November 2020						
No	Competitions	Defendant (unless otherwise stated)	Matters	Basic Facts	Terms	Decision
1	AFC Champions League 2020 (Group Stage), Sydney FC (AUS) vs. Shanghai SIPG FC (CHN) on 19 November 2020	Sydney FC (AUS) player, Mr. Thomas J Heward-Belle (AFC/87223/AUS)	Serious Infringements punishable by an expulsion (Article 47, AFC Disciplinary and Ethics Code)	The Defendant was expelled by the Referee for denying the opposing team an obvious goal-scoring opportunity.	<p>1. Mr. Thomas J Heward-Belle (AFC/87223/AUS) is suspended for one (1) match, which includes the one (1) match automatic suspension arising from his expulsion in the match Sydney FC (AUS) vs. Shanghai SIPG FC (CHN) on 19 November 2020.</p> <p>2. The one (1) match suspension shall be served in the AFC Champions League 2020 (Group Stage) match Jeonbuk Hyundai Motors FC (KOR) vs. Sydney FC (AUS) on 25 November 2020.</p> <p>3. Mr. Thomas J Heward-Belle (AFC/87223/AUS) is ordered to pay a fine of USD2,000/- in accordance with Article 48.2 of the AFC Disciplinary and Ethics Code.</p> <p>4. In accordance with Articles 34.1 and 34.3 of the AFC Disciplinary and Ethics Code, USD1,500/- of the amount referred to in Paragraph 3 of this Decision is suspended for a probationary period of 2 years. Should another violation of a similar nature occur within the probationary period, the suspension is automatically revoked, and the sanction applied; it is added to the sanction pronounced for the new infringement.</p> <p>5. The unsuspended portion of the fine referred to in Paragraph 3 of this Decision (i.e. USD500/-) shall be settled within 90 days from the date that this decision is communicated in accordance with Article 11.3 of the AFC Disciplinary and Ethics Code.</p> <p>6. Mr. Thomas J Heward-Belle (AFC/87223/AUS) is informed that a repeat violation of this provision may be met with more severe punishment.</p>	VTC 20201123DC01