DISCIPLINARY DECISION



Match	Spain v Namibia		
Competition	Friendly		
Date of match	12 November 2022	Match venue	Central UCM
Rules to apply	Regulation 17 World Rugby Handbook		

PARTICULARS OF OFFENCE					
Player's surname	Conradie	Conradie		Not provided	
Forename(s)	Wian				
Player's Union	NRU				
Referee Name	Paul Williams (NZR)	Plea	X Admitt	red	
Offence	Two yellow cards in the one match (i) Dangerous tackle Law 9.13 (ii) Repeated infringement Law 9.8	SELECT:	Red card ⊠	.	
Summary of Sanction	The Panel decided that sending off v	vas sufficie	ent.		

HEARING DETAILS						
Hearing date	15 November 2022 Hearing venue		By Zoom			
Chairman/JO	Tommy Dalton (IRFU)					
Other Members of Disciplinary Committee	Bogdan Zebega (RRF) David Humphries (IRFU)					
Appearance Player	YES ⊠ NO □	Appearance Union	YES ⊠ NO □			
Player's Representative(s)	Petrie Theron (NRU President) Irvin Newman (Team Manager) Jacky Husselmann (Technical Advisor/Referee)	Disciplinary Officer and/or other attendees	Brian Hammond (Legal Counsel WRU) Joyce Hayes (Disciplinary and Eligibility Co-ordinator World Rugby)			
List of documents/materials provided to Player in advance of hearing	Match Official Report(s) – YC & RC (Referee) Statement of Mario Pichardie (in respect of the 1st YC) Medical report (in respect of the 1st YC) Clips Team sheets World Rugby Regulation 17 Player's Response to standing directions					

SUMMARY OF ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF CITING/REFEREE'S REPORT/INCIDENT FOOTAGE

The Player received two Yellow Cards during the match. The first Yellow Card was for lifting an opponent (Spain #6) beyond the horizontal and dropping him to the ground. Video evidence of the incident was available. The Player had admitted both offences albeit that he contended that this first offence did not warrant a Red Card. Having reviewed the footage, the Panel was satisfied that the Referee and the TMO were correct in their decision that the offence only warranted a Yellow Card. The second offence shown to the Player for collapsing a mall. The Referee, in his report, described it as a repeated infringement "against Namibia". There was no evidence that the Player had acted intentionally. This offence occurred at the very end of the second half in the match. The Player was initially shown a Yellow Card. The Referee subsequently realised that the Player should have been shown a Red Card. That was rectified as the Player went to the sideline. No issue was made of the that fact.

ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF OTHER EVIDENCE (e.g. medical reports)

The medical evidence stated that the tackled Player in respect of the first Yellow Card had not suffered any injury to his head, required no treatment and had continued to play for the remainder of the match.

SUMMARY OF PLAYER'S EVIDENCE

The Player had provided a Response to the Standard Directions. There was no dispute as to the Referee's report which had been provided to him or to the sanction of a Yellow Card for the offence under Law 9.13. In effect, his Response, in admitting the offence but maintaining that it did not meet the Red Card threshold, was deemed sufficient by the Panel in terms of the provision of evidence to it.

FINDINGS OF FACT

The Panel made the following findings of fact:

- 1. There was no reason to alter the findings or criticise the actions of match officials.
- 2. Sanctions in respect of the offences were governed by Appendix 4 of Regulation 17.
- 3. The Panel should apply the discretion contained in Section B 2(c) and deem sending off sufficient.

			DECISI	ON	
	Breach admitted ⊠	Proven	Not proven □	Other disposal (please state)	
SANC	TION				

NOTE: PLAYERS ORDERED OFF OR CITED BY A CITING COMMISSIONER ARE PROVISIONALLY SUSPENDED PENDING THE HEARING OF THEIR CASE, SUCH SUSPENSION SHOULD BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION WHEN SANCTIONING – R 17.12.5(f) / 17.13.7 (or equivalent Tournament rule)

Total sanction	Not applicable	Sending off sufficient ⊠
Sanction commences	Not applicable	

Sanction concludes	Not applicable		
Matches/tournament included in sanction	Not applicable		
Costs	No Order		
Signature	Tommy Dalton (IRFU)	Date	15 November 2022
(JO or Chairman)			

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