

## **DECISION FORM**

PARTICULARS OF OFFE	ENCE		
Player's Name	Lika KHUPENIA		
Player's Union	Georgia Rugby Union		
Match	Hungary v Georgia		
Competition	Zagreb 7s Women		
Date of match	11/06/2022		
Match Venue	Zagreb		
Rules to apply	Regulation 17 World Rugb	y Handbook; or	
	Tournament Disciplinary P	rogram;	
Referee Name	Cintia Loyola Contes	Plea	□ Admitted
			☐ Not admitted
Offence	9.13 Dangerous tackle	□ Red card	
		☐ Citing	
		☐ Other	
	If "Other" selected, please specify:		
HEARING DETAILS			
Hearing date	11/06/2022	Hearing venue	Tournament's office
Chairperson/JO	Bartosz Marczyński	•	•
Appearance Player	⊠ Yes □ No	Appearance	⊠ Yes □ No
		Union	
Player's	lia (team's manager)	Other	David Baird-Smith (RE)
Representative(s)		attendees	
List of documents /	1. Notice of disciplinary hearing		
materials provided to	2. Video Clip		
Player in advance of	3. Red card report		
hearing	4. Referee's statement		
	5. Hungarian player's statement		

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

Reckless and dangerous high tackle

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

No medical report but no serious injury suffered by the Hungarian player

### SUMMARY OF PLAYER'S EVIDENCE

She didn't do it on purpose. The position of her arm was incorrect before the contact and she didn't have the time to remove her arm or to change its position. The Hungarian player smashed into her arm. After the match she apologized to the Hungarian player.

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### **FINDINGS OF FACT**

It was a dangerous high tackle. It was reckless and the player could have avoided the contact is she had been more careful.

No medical report, no injury suffered by the victim.

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☑ Proven □ Not proven □ Other disposal (please state)	

# **SANCTIONING PROCESS**

ASSESSMENT OF SERIOUSNESS
As per Article 4.5 of Rugby Europe Disciplinary Regulations and Regulations 17 of World Rugby
Assessment of Intent
☐ Intentional/deliberate ⊠ Reckless
State Reasons
Testimony of the player
Gravity of player's actions
Dangerous action but reckless no negative effect on the victim.
Nature of actions
Existence of provocation
No
Whether player retaliated
No
Self-defence
No
Effect on victim
None
Effect on match
No
Vulnerability of victim
No
Level of participation/premeditation
No
Conduct completed/attempted
Good
Other features of player's conduct
Entry point
☐ Top end [XX] Weeks ☐ Mid-range [XX] Weeks ☐ Low-end 2 Weeks
*If Top End, the JO or Panel should identify, if appropriate, an entry point between the Top
End and the maximum sanction and provide the reasons for selecting this entry point, below.
Reasons for selecting Entry Point above Top End
[Insert]
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Acknowledgement of guilt and timing	Player's disciplinary record/good character	
Yes, and she expressed sincere remorse	1 yellow card only	
Youth and inexperience of player	Conduct prior to and at hearing	
Yes: 21 years old and 4 years only in Rugby.	Good	
Only a couple of Women's 7s competitions in		
Georgia.		

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Remorse and timing of remorse	Other off-field mitigation
Yes after the match to the victim and during the	She expressed some remorse
hearing.	

Number of weeks deducted: 1

Summary of reason for number of weeks deducted:	
Behaviour of the player / Sincere remorse / No influence on the match nor the victim.	

# ADDITIONAL RELEVANT OFF-FIELD AGGRAVATING FACTORS As per Article 4.5 of Rugby Europe Disciplinary Regulations and Regulations 17 of World Rugby Player's status as an offender of the Laws of the Game No Need for deterrence No Any other off-field aggravating factors No

Number of additional weeks: 0

Summary of reason for number of weeks added:	

### **SANCTION**

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 - RE Discipline Regulations 4.1.4 / 4.4 (or equivalent Tournament rule)

Total sanction	1 match	☐ Sending off sufficient
Sanction commences		11/06/2022
Sanction concludes		11/06/2022
Matches/tournaments	included in sanction	Georgia v England

Date	11/06/2022	
Signature (JO or Chairman)	1	

NOTE: You have 48 hours from notification of the decision of the chairman/jo to lodge an appeal with the tournament director – RE Discipline Regulations 4.6.2 (or equivalent Tournament rule)