

INTEGRITY UNIT

DUTCH FA KNVB

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Willem II case

- Investigation conducted by two journalists of the quality newspaper Volkskrant revealed in January 2015 that during the 2009-2010 season two matches played by the Premier League club Willem II were apparently fixed.
- Conclusion of the Integrity Unit:
 - Ibrahim Kargbo and Wilson Ray Perumal made arrangements for the manipulation of the match FC Utrecht – Willem II on August 9th. 2009;
 - Kargbo, Kabba (an official of the Sierra Leone FA) and Perumal had contact about the manipulation of matches by the national team of Sierra Leone;
 - Kargbo, Kabba and Perumal organized the charity match Willem II – Sierra Leone November 14th 2009, and made arrangements for the manipulation of the match for gambling purposes
- Disciplinary investigation closed, criminal investigation going on.

Measures KNVB

- Duty to report for players and officials
- Gambling prohibition
 - Own club and competitions
- Information tour for clubs, players and coaches
- Intensive support arbitrage
 - Assignment of referees to matches just a few days in advance

Measures KNVB(2)

- Hotline
- Match information available for investigation
- Guarantee for salary payment
- Pension Fund for players (mandatory)

Measures KNVB(3)

- Integrity Unit
 - 4 independent members and KNVB integrity officer as secretary
 - Can play active role (not solely upon request of KNVB prosecutor)
 - Same power as prosecutor KNVB
 - Start-up building database
 - By-catch
 - Intelligence
 - Focus on match fixing, player agents

Experiences, Observations

- Criminal and disciplinary investigation started at same time
 - Supposed cooperation not mutual and synchronic;
- Reports of disciplinary interviews available for criminal investigation upon formal request;
- If players or officials are no member of the KNVB anymore: interviews only on voluntary basis
- Legal framework still unclear;
- Investigation is extremely time consuming
- Investigation in 2015 about situation in 2008-2010 complicated;

Experiences, Observations (2)

- Cooperation between police, tax police and public prosecutor in match fixing cases premature
- International cooperation still premature
- General level of knowledge about corruption in sports/match fixing low

THANK YOU

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