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## Statement

### ASBC ASIAN YOUTH & JUNIOR BOXING CHAMPIONSHIPS – ASTANA 2023

The Asian Boxing Confederation (ASBC) issues this statement to address the wrongful decision made in Junior bout number 120, (W) Light Bantam (52kg), between Muslima Turgunova from Uzbekistan and Abdullovva Farinoz from Tajikistan on Oct 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023. We deeply regret the error made by Referee Whippy Ratu Seru of Fiji who awarded the victory by RSC to the Uzbekistan boxer.

In response to this incident, Referee Whippy Ratu Seru has been immediately removed from the competition. The decision to take this action was made by the Technical Delegate and the Observer of the championship. The ASBC acknowledges the injustice caused by this wrongful decision and extends its sincere apologies to Abdullovva Farinoz of Tajikistan.

Regrettably, in accordance with the IBA competition regulations, bout reviews are not permitted in the Junior category, and thus the decision cannot be overturned. The ASBC deeply laments this situation and is fully committed to upholding the principles of fair play. The protection of our boxers, along with the promotion of transparency and fair competition, remains our top priority. We will make every effort to ensure that these standards are maintained in all future competitions.

Once again, we express our regret for the situation and the disappointment it has caused to Abdullovva Farinoz and her team.

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