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FOUL PLAY REVIEW COMMITTEE NEWS RELEASE

Foul Play Review Committee: Nigel Hampton QC (Chairman), Stephen Hardy and Stefan Terblanche

Player: JJ Englebrecht

Team: Stormers

Position: Centre

Date of Incident: 26 May 2018

Nature of Offence: SANZAAR Disciplinary Rule 6.1

SANZAAR NEWS RELEASE

JJ Englebrecht suspended for 1 week

The SANZAAR Foul Play Review Committee has accepted a guilty plea from JJ Englebrecht of the Stormers for contravening SANZAAR Disciplinary Rule 6.1, after he was issued with a Yellow Card and a Warning for separate incidents during the match between the Stormers and Lions played at DHL Newlands in Cape Town on 26 May 2018.

Englebrecht was awarded a Yellow Card for a lifting tackle in the 37th minute, and was subsequently issued a Warning by the Citing Commissioner for an incident involving a dangerous tackle during an attempted clean out, in the 52nd minute.

SANZAAR Disciplinary Rule 6.1 states:

"6.1: If a Player has received two Warnings or a combination of a Warning and a Yellow Card during a match, he shall be treated for disciplinary purposes as if he has been sent off."

Englebrecht has been suspended from all forms of the game for 1 week, up to and including 2 June 2018.

The SANZAAR Foul Play Review Committee of Nigel Hampton QC (Chairman), Stefan Terblanche and Stephen Hardy assessed the case.

In his finding, Foul Play Review Committee Chairman Nigel Hampton QC ruled the following:

"Having conducted a detailed review of all the available evidence, including all camera angles and additional evidence for each incident, including from the Player and submissions from his legal representative, Adrian Montzinger, the Foul Play Review Committee found the Player should be the subject of further sanction for his persistent foul play offending in one match."

"With respect to sanction the Foul Play Review Committee deemed the nature of the

persistent offending, together with the closeness together of the 2 incidents, merited an entry point of 2 weeks suspension. However, taking into account mitigating factors including the Players excellent Judicial record and his admission of responsibility at the first available opportunity, the Foul Play Review Committee reduced the suspension to 1 week."

"The player is therefore suspended for 1 week, up to and including 2 June 2018."

All SANZAAR disciplinary matters are in the first instance referred to the Foul Play Review Committee to provide the option of expediting the judicial process.

For a matter to be dispensed with at this hearing, the person appearing must plead guilty and accept the penalty offered by the Foul Play Review Committee.

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