

MEDIA RELEASE

The Trinidad and Tobago Racing Authority hereby advises of decisions of the Board taken at its meeting held on Thursday 21st June, 2018:

HEARING OF APPEAL LODGED BY MR. GLEN MOHAMMED AGAINST THE DECISION OF THE STEWARDS NOT TO DISQUALIFY 'PRINCESS SURI', WINNER OF RACE 8/DAY 17 – WEDNESDAY MAY 30TH, 2018

Having given due consideration to the grounds of the appeal and the evidence offered by Mr. Glen Mohammed (Appellant), Mr. David Loregnard (Steward), Mr. Shaffique Khan (Trainer of Princess Suri), Mr. Michael Gomez (Clerk of Scales) and Dr. Kerri Sankar (Industry Veterinarian), the Board was of the view that there was no justification to alter the decision of the Stewards.

Accordingly, the Stewards' decision was upheld and the appeal was disallowed.

INQUIRY INTO FALSIFIED CLEARANCE DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED BY VENEZUELAN JOCKEY JOEL JOSE GUZMAN AND SUSPENDED JOCKEY ANTONIO GIRON

The Board, having given due consideration to the evidence submitted by Mr. Elvris Diaz (Agent), Mr. Oliver Naveda (Steward – National Racetrack Institute, Venezuela) and Mr. Damian Gonzalez (2nd Director General Sectorial de Actividades Hipicas, Venezuela), has determined that Jockeys Joel Guzman and Antonio Giron were guilty of presenting falsified clearance documents to the Trinidad & Tobago Racing Authority (T.T.R.A.).

Jockey Antonio Giron was also confirmed to have been serving a one (1) year suspension which was imposed upon him in March 2018 by the Commissioners of the La Rinconada Race Track for failing to show any effort to win with the mare 'AITANA' in the 9th race of the 012 meeting of the 2018 racing season in Venezuela.

As such, pursuant to Rules 7(4)(o) and (q) of the Trinidad & Tobago Rules of Racing, Jockeys Joel Guzman and Antonio Giron have been **permanently warned off from exercise and race riding in Trinidad & Tobago.**

It should be noted that the above list of rules is not exhaustive of the rules which were breached in this instance.

JOSETTE MC DAVID
SECRETARY

JUNE 25, 2018

Board Members: Dr. David Kangaloo - Chairman, Mr. Farook Hosein - Vice Chairman, Mr. Tyrone Kowlessar - Member, Mr. Robert Bernard - Member, Mr. Richard Freeman - Member, Ms. Kimberleigh Peterson - Member, Mr. Sunil Sirjoo – Member, Mr. Hayden Manzano – Member, Mr. Selwyn Raymond - Member