

MEDIA RELEASE

The Trinidad and Tobago Racing Authority hereby advises of a decision of the Board taken at its meeting held on Thursday July 12th, 2018:

INQUIRY INTO THE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING AN INCIDENT INVOLVING JOCKEY YOSENYER SERRANO AND JOCKEY ANDREW POON AND THE SUBSEQUENT PENALTIES WHICH WERE IMPOSED UPON THEM BY THE STEWARDS IN RACE 8/DAY 21 OF THE 2018 RACING SEASON, WHICH WAS HELD ON SATURDAY 7TH JULY 2018

Jockey Yosenyer Serrano

The Board heard the evidence of Jockeys Yosenyer Serrano and Andrew Poon and reviewed the video recording of Race 8/Day 21 which confirmed that Jockey Serrano took the ground of Jockey Poon in the final 100 metres, which caused him to check his mount and lose ground during the race.

The Board found that Jockey Yosenyer Serrano was guilty of irresponsible and dangerous riding. Therefore, pursuant to Rule 51 (7) of the Rules of Racing, the Board agreed to suspend Jockey Serrano from race-riding for three (3) race days. This suspension is in addition to the suspension from race riding for the next two race days, which was imposed upon him by the Stewards on Race Day 21 - Saturday 7th July 2018.

Jockey Serrano will therefore serve a suspension of five (5) race days in total.

Jockey Andrew Poon

The Board heard the evidence of Jockeys Yosenyer Serrano and Andrew Poon and reviewed the video recording of Race 8/Day 21 which confirmed that Jockey Poon threw his whip in anger at Jockey Serrano, for having taken his ground in the final 100 metres, which caused him (Jockey Poon) to check his mount and lose ground during the race.

The Board found that the Stewards were justified in their decision to suspend Jockey Andrew Poon for the next day of racing (July 14th, 2018).

The Stewards' decision was therefore upheld.

**NADINE CARTER
ASSISTANT SECRETARY
JULY 17, 2018**