

MEDIA RELEASE

ENQUIRY INTO THE FINDING OF THE PROHIBITED SUBSTANCE "HYDROXY XYLAZINE", (CLASS 3 SUBSTANCE), PURSUANT TO THE TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO RULES OF RACING IN THE SAMPLE OF EQUINE URINE NO. 523292 WHICH HAD BEEN OBTAINED FROM "GO FOR THE GOLD (JAM)", WINNER OF RACE 2 / DAY 9 OF THE 2010 RACING SEASON HELD ON SATURDAY 6 MARCH 2010.

Having given due consideration to the evidence at the enquiry of the Trainer Jack Debideen and that of Mr. Deodath Baboolal Groom, the Board found Trainer Debideen to be negligent in the performance of his duties and to be in breach of Rules Nos. 62 (2), 63 (1) AND 102 (1) (d) of the Rules of Racing .Therefore, pursuant to Rule 62 (8) and No. 100 (B) (4) of the Rules of Racing, the Board has decided to suspend Mr. Debideen for a period of three months with effect from **Wednesday 07 April, 2010** fine him the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) and further in accordance with Rule Nos. 63 (1) and 7 (4) (q) declare him a disqualified person for the period stated above.

During the period of his disqualification, he will be debarred from entering any restricted area (Stables, Weighing Room, Saddling Enclosure, etc) on racecourse premises. In this regard your attention is drawn to Rule No. 63 (9) of the Rules of Racing.

The Board has exonerated the groom Mr. Deodath Baboolal from any blame in this matter.

"GO FOR THE GOLD (JAM)" has been disqualified from **FIRST** position for the race in question, the revised results of which will now read:

SATURDAY 6 MARCH 2010

1ST ANOTHER CHALLENGE (JAM)

2ND TRADITIONAL MAN (JAM)

3RD BECAUSEWECAN (JAM)

4TH REGIONAL PRINCESS (JAM)

AN ENQUIRY WAS HELD UNDER RULE 7 (4) (H) OF THE RULES OF RACING INTO A REPORT FROM THE STEWARDS OF THE ARIMA RACE CLUB ARISING OUT OF DISCIPLINARY ACTION TAKEN AGAINST JOCKEY MARTINEZ DUE TO HIS CONDUCT ON MARCH 13, 2010 OF THE 2010 RACING SEASON.

The Authority after consideration of the evidence of Jockey Martinez, Apprentice Jockey Nicholas Patrick and Winston Xavier (Clerk of Scales) determined that Jockey Martinez acted in a manner unbecoming of a licenced Jockey and his actions towards Apprentice Nicholas Patrick constituted a breach Rule 69 (2) and (3) of the Rules of Racing.

The Authority therefore acting within its powers under Rule 7 (4) (o) of the Rules of Racing and being mindful of its duty to maintain discipline and integrity at all levels in the racing industry, agreed that Jockey Martinez be suspended from race riding for two (2) days of racing namely April 17 and 24 and fined the sum of \$500.00.

David Loregnard
Secretary

March 31, 2010