DECISION OF THE APPEALS COMMITTEE

Appeal by the captain of Netherlands 2, Mr. Reinderman

14 August 2023

Mr. Reinderman has filed an appeal on behalf of his player, Roger Labruyere, against the decision of the arbiter that Mr. Labruyere has intentionally touched two pieces of his opponent, and that he had to capture the second touched piece since the first touched piece couldn't be captured.

The Appeals Committee stands by the decision of the arbiter. The arbiter has declared to the Appeals Committee that he could see clearly what happened and that didn't see or hear Mr. Labruyere saying "j'adoube".

Therefore, the Appeals Committee refers to article 4.3.2 of the FIDE Laws of Chess, which says: "Except as provided in Article 4.2.1, if the player having the move touches on the chessboard, with the intention of moving or capturing: (...) 4.3.2 one or more of his/her opponent's pieces, he/she must capture the first piece touched that can be captured."

On behalf of the Appeals Committee

Member: Anna Bourg (LUX)

Member: Mishra, Neeraj-Kumar (IND)

Member: Quinn Cabralis (TTO)

Signed by:

Dharma Tjiam, Head of Appeals Committee