



# **GHANA FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION (GFA) CHARGE SHEET**

25/03/2021

**Case ID No:** GFA-CI-21-DC-015

**CLUB SECRETARY**  
REAL TAMALE UNITED FC

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**CHARGES AGAINST KRYSTAL PALACE FC IN RESPECT TO DIVISION ONE LEAGUE ZONE  
ONE MATCH BETWEEN REAL TAMALE UNITED AND BRONG AHAFO UNITED AT THE  
TAMALE SPORTS STADIUM ON 14<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2021.**

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## **CHARGE(S)**

### **COUNT 1**

#### **Statement of Offence**

Real Tamale United FC is hereby charged for a breach of Article 2 and Article 8, of the GFA Matchday COVID 19 Protocols in respect to this match.

#### **Particulars of the Offence**

Real Tamale United FC: You, 14th March, 2021, during a match between your Club and Brong Ahafo United played at the Tamale Sports Stadium, did permit football fans into the stadium, an act which defies the directives of the Executive Council issued on the 13<sup>th</sup> of February, 2021 for all football matches to be played behind closed doors.

### **COUNT 2**

#### **Statement of Offence**

Real Tamale United FC is hereby charged for a breach of Article 16(1)b of the GFA Disciplinary Code, 2019 in respect to violations of the rules and regulations of the association.

#### **Particulars of the Offence**

Real Tamale United FC: You, 14th March, 2021, during a match between your Club and Brong Ahafo United played at the Tamale Sports Stadium, failed to comply with the existing Matchday COVID 19 protocols put in place by the Ghana Football Association (GFA) and the Government of Ghana by allowing unapproved persons being supporters into the stadium which defies the directives of the Executive Council of the GFA issued on the 13<sup>th</sup> of February, 2021 for all football matches to be played behind closed doors and failing to observe Covid 19 Protocols.

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### **PUNISHMENT**

To be determined by the GFA Disciplinary Committee.

### **YOUR STATEMENT OF DEFENCE**

In your Statement of Defence you must choose one of the following options:

1. I am pleading **GUILTY** to the Charge(s) and I WAIVE MY RIGHT TO PERSONAL HEARING, but I hereby submit Written Statement for mitigation and supporting Evidence to be considered by the Player Status Committee
2. I am pleading **NOT GUILTY** to the Charge(s) and I WAIVE MY RIGHT TO PERSONAL HEARING, but I hereby submit Written Statement of Defence and supporting Evidence to be considered by the Player Status Committee.
3. I am pleading **NOT GUILTY** to the Charge(s) and I REQUEST PERSONAL HEARING to defend myself against the charge(s).

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### **NOTES**

Please note that should the Prosecution be successful of your breach of the GFA Division One League Regulations, 2019, the Prosecution shall pray the Disciplinary Committee for the imposition of the **maximum sanction(s)** as set out by the GFA Division One League Regulations, 2019 should you choose for the personal hearing of this matter.

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### **REPLY DATE**

Kindly, submit your written Statement of Defence to the charge(s) by **close of work, Tuesday, March 30, 2021** on or before **5pm at the GFA Secretariat** or through email address of the GFA, [dc@ghanafa.org](mailto:dc@ghanafa.org) failing which the Disciplinary Committee shall proceed to adjudicate the case without your Statement of Defence.

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### **PERSONAL HEARING (IF ANY)**

Should you choose Defence Options 3 (Personal Hearing) in your Statement of Defence, the Disciplinary Committee shall communicate to you the date and time to appear before the Disciplinary Committee to answer to the charge(s), failing which the Disciplinary Committee shall proceed to adjudicate the case in your absence.

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Signed by:



(GFA PROSECUTOR)

cc: THE CHAIRPERSON, DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE  
THE GFA GENERAL SECRETARY  
GFA COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT