INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION

Communication No. 1345

Decision of ISU Disciplinary Commission

Following consideration of an alleged Anti-Doping Rule violation the ISU Disciplinary Commission has taken the following decision:

- 1. Anzhelika Kotiuga (BLR) is declared responsible for an Anti-Doping violation committed on February 19, 2005 during the ISU World Cup Final in Speed Skating in Heerenveen, the Netherlands.
- 2. Anzhelika Kotiuga's results obtained during the 2005 World Cup Final in Speed Skating, i.e. her fourth place in the 1000m race, division A, and her first place in the 500m race and her medal, her points and prizes are forfeited.
- 3. A two year ineligibility, beginning on August 19, 2005 is imposed on Anzhelika Kotiuga.
- 4. The Skating Union of Belarus shall pay to the ISU the amount of CHF 3'525.--
- 5. Each party bears its own costs.

Ms. Kotiuga has appealed against the decision of the ISU Disciplinary Commission to the ISU Appeals Commission. However, as per Article 21, paragraph 16 of the ISU Constitution, an appeal shall have no postponing effect on a sanction for violation of the Anti-Doping rules. It is therefore confirmed that the two year ineligibility period is effective as of August 19, 2005.

Further information may be obtained on the ISU website at www.isu.org.

Milano, September 15, 2005 Lausanne, Ottavio Cinquanta, President

Fredi Schmid, General Secretary