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Lausanne, 30 June 2014/WS/mc

Re: **CAS 2014 A/3622 SC FC Rapid Bucuresti SA v. Romanian Football Federation & Romanian Professional Football League**

Dear Sirs,

Please find enclosed a copy of the operative part of the Arbitral Award issued by the Court of Arbitration for Sport in the above-referenced matter.

Please be advised that the award, with motivation, will be issued in due course.

Please be advised that I remain at the parties' disposal for any further information.

Yours faithfully,

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Managing Counsel & Head of Arbitration

Enc.
C.c. Panel



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**CAS 2014/A/3622 S.C. Football Club Rapid S.A. v. Romanian Football Federation &
Romanian Professional Football League**

ARBITRAL AWARD

delivered by the

COURT OF ARBITRATION FOR SPORT

sitting in the following composition:

Sole Arbitrator: Mr Lars Hilliger, attorney-at-law in Copenhagen, Denmark

in the arbitration between

S.C. FOOTBALL CLUB RAPID S.A., Bucharest, Romania

Represented by Mrs Cristina Andronache, Individual Insolvency Office

Appellant

and

1/ ROMANIAN FOOTBALL FEDERATION, Bucharest, Romania

Represented by Mr Adrian Stangaciu, Legal Counsel

2/ ROMANIAN PROFESSIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE, Bucharest, Romania

Represented by Mr Stefan Justin, General Secretary

Respondents

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The Court of Arbitration for Sport rules that:

1. The appeal filed on 6 June 2014 by S.C. Football Club Rapid S.A. against the decision adopted by the Appeal Committee for the Licensing of Clubs of the Romanian Football Federation on 16 May 2014 is upheld.
2. The decision adopted by the Appeal Committee for the Licensing of Clubs of the Romanian Football Federation on 16 May 2014 is set aside.
3. The Romanian Football Federation shall issue the licence authorizing S.C. Football Club Rapid S.A. to participate in the Romanian Liga I for the 2014/2015 football season.
4. The Romanian Professional Football League and the Romanian Football Federation shall include S.C. Football Club Rapid S.A. in the Liga I championship for the 2014/2015 football season.
5. The costs of the arbitration, to be determined and served to the parties by the CAS Court Office, shall be borne by the Romanian Football Federation.
6. The Romanian Football Federation is ordered to pay to S.C. Football Club Rapid S.A. a total amount of CHF 4'000 (four thousand Swiss francs) as contribution towards the latter expenses incurred in connection with these arbitration proceedings.
7. The Romanian Football Federation and the Romanian Professional Football League shall bear their own costs and expenses incurred in connection with these arbitration proceedings.
8. All other motions or prayers for relief are dismissed.

Seat of arbitration: Lausanne, Switzerland
Date: 30 June 2014

THE COURT OF ARBITRATION FOR SPORT


Lars Hilliger
Sole Arbitrator