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## ***AS Roma's protest against referee's decision rejected***

### **The Italian club's 1-0 win away to Liverpool FC in the UEFA Cup confirmed**

At its meeting today, the UEFA Control and Disciplinary Body dealt with the protest lodged by Italian club AS Roma against a decision taken by Spanish referee, José García-Aranda, during the UEFA Cup Fourth Round second-leg match against Liverpool at Anfield on 22 February.

The Italian club claimed that the referee clearly pointed to the penalty mark, and blew his whistle as well, in the 77<sup>th</sup> minute when the ball touched the right arm of Liverpool FC defender Markus Babel in the penalty area and, then, crossed the goal-line. However, after a few seconds, the referee pointed to the left corner. The AS Roma players protested immediately, but the match was resumed with a corner kick. At that time, AS Roma were winning 1-0 which was also the final score following Liverpool's 2-0 win in the first leg.

After having examined the official match reports, the protest submitted by AS Roma, a statement from the referee, video recordings of the match and statements from Liverpool FC, the Control and Disciplinary Body has decided to reject the protest and to confirm 1-0 for AS Roma as the match result.

The Italian club have until Friday 2 March 2001 at 24.00 hours CET to lodge an appeal against this decision.

**Suspended players/officials - Suspension de joueurs/officiels - Gesperrte Spieler/Offizielle**

<b>Suspension</b>	<b>Player/Official</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Opponent</b>	<b>Comp.</b>
1 match	Miguel Porlan (official of Real Madrid CF)	13.02.01	S.S. Lazio	UCL

**Fines for improper conduct of the team****Amendes pour conduite incorrecte de l'équipe****Geldstrafen wegen unkorrekten Verhaltens der Mannschaft**

<b>CHF</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Opponent</b>	<b>Comp.</b>
12,000	Galatasaray SK	20.02.2001	Deportivo La Coruña	UCL
10,000	S.S. Lazio	13.02.2001	Real Madrid CF	UCL
8,000	SK Sturm Graz	22.02.2001	Panathinaikos FC	UCL
7,000	Spartak Moscow	20.02.2001	FC Bayern München	UCL
6,000	Olympique Lyonnais	22.02.2001	Arsenal FC	UCL

**Fines for improper conduct of the supporters****Amendes pour conduite incorrecte des supporters****Geldstrafen wegen unkorrekten Verhaltens der Anhänger**

<b>CHF</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Opponent</b>	<b>Comp.</b>
40,000	AS Roma	15.02.2001	Liverpool FC	UCUP
35,000	Paris Saint-Germain FC	22.02.2001	Milan AC	UCL
25,000	Real Madrid CF	13.02.2001	S.S. Lazio	UCL
20,000	Panathinaikos FC	22.02.2001	SK Sturm Graz	UCL
20,000	AEK Athens	15.02.2001	FC Barcelona	UCUP
15,000	Milan AC	14.02.2001	Paris Saint-Germain FC	UCL
7,000	Spartak Moscow	20.02.2001	FC Bayern München	UCL
5,000	Paris Saint-Germain FC	14.02.2001	Milan AC	UCL
5,000	Liverpool FC	15.02.2001	AS Roma	UCUP
1,500	Olympique Lyonnais	13.02.2001	Arsenal FC	UCL
1,000	PSV Eindhoven	15.02.2001	Parma AC	UCUP
Caution	SK Sturm Graz	22.02.2001	Panathinaikos FC	UCL

**Punishments for failing to observe UEFA's competition regulations****Sanctions pour non-observation du règlement des compétitions de l'UEFA****Strafen wegen Verstoss gegen Vorschriften des UEFA-Wettbewerbsreglements**

<b>CHF</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Opponent</b>	<b>Comp.</b>
25,000	Real Madrid CF	13.02.2001	S.S. Lazio	UCL