

INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION

Communication No. 1376

DECISION OF THE ISU COUNCIL

The ISU Council, at its regular Winter meeting held in Torino on February 12, 2006, decided in accordance with Rule 590, paragraph 2.a) of the Special Regulations Ice Dancing and ISU Communication No. 1327, paragraph II. G. h), to remove the name of Ms. Irina Nechkina (AZE), from the list of the ISU Judges for Ice Dancing.

This is the result of Assessment No. 4 recently received by Ms. Nechkina. All four Assessments were confirmed by decision of the Ice Dance Technical Committee taken after a meeting with Ms. Nechkina in Torino.

In accordance with paragraph 2.b) of rule 590, Ms. Nechkina is demoted to the list of International Judges for Ice Dancing.

Performance evaluations are not disciplinary actions involving misconduct. Such evaluations of ISU Officials including Assessments are technical decisions from which there is no right of appeal. The Council decision therefore becomes effective immediately.

Consequently, Ms Nechkina will not be entitled to be on the judging panel for the Ice Dance competition in the 2006 Olympic Winter Games since according to Rule 572, paragraph 1.b) only ISU Judges may officiate at these Games. She will be replaced on the Ice Dance Judging panel by the Alternate Judge Mr. Rolf Pipoh (GER).

Torino, February 12, 2006

Ottavio Cinquanta, President

Fredi Schmid, General Secretary