## **IX. DECISION**

## The Complaint Panel rules that:

- 1. The Respondent violated section 7(a) of Equestrian Canada's *Abuse Policy* (*Individuals*) by giving rise to emotional maltreatment.
- 2. The Respondent violated section 1(c) of the *Equestrian Canada Equestre Code of Conduct and Ethics* by giving rise to harassment.
- 3. The Panel imposes the following sanctions:
  - i. Pursuant to section 44 of the *Policy*, the Panel sanctions the Respondent to submit a written apology to **Policy**. This is to be a genuine apology acknowledging the poor conduct on or about February 2022.
  - ii. Pursuant to section 44(f) of the *Policy*, the Panel sanctions the Respondent to a suspension from all EC activities for 5 days. This suspension will commence December 19, 2022, and will be in effect until December 23, 2022. The Respondent will be permitted to resume EC activities as of December 24, 2022.
  - iii. Pursuant to section 44(k) of the *Policy*, the Panel requires that the Respondent complete a course dealing with respect in sport. This should be done to the satisfaction of EC.
- [44] The Panel thanks the Parties for their submissions.

Dated: December 13, 2022



Complaint Panel