

**1. The role and possible responsibilities of WADA in reviewing or not reviewing the granting of the retroactive TUE to Floyd Mayweather**

**RESPONSE:** Floyd Mayweather's fight was organized in the United States by private promoters operating under licensing regulations in the State of Nevada, which do not include the Code. USADA had a specific contract with them to undertake anti-doping activities, however this was not falling under the code, and WADA had no jurisdictional oversight of these activities. WADA did not receive this TUE.

**2. The role and possible responsibilities of WADA in dealing or not dealing with the doping scandal affecting IAAF and Russia**

**RESPONSE:** We can only infer from these questions that you are complaining that WADA should have acted against Russia and IAAF earlier than the creation of the Independent Commission.

It is important to remind you of the chronology of events. Prior to 1 January 2015 WADA had no right nor power to investigate independently. This right only came into place with the entry into force of the 2015 Code. Prior to the ARD documentary, WADA had some indication of issues within RUSADA. This indication emanated from a single source initially, later it was expanded to include his wife and was not corroborated by any other concrete evidence. In 2014 corroboration occurred in a legal case, which included allegations against IAAF. WADA acted quickly to ensure the Ethics Commission of the IAAF was confidentially given the information. The only other people we could have passed the Russian information to were the Russians and it was considered not to be in the source's best interests to do that.

As far as the IAAF is concerned, WADA received information from the athlete, Shobukova, for the first time in May 2014. This information however only became available to WADA upon completion of a substantial assistance agreement which was signed with the athlete on 4<sup>th</sup> August 2014. As soon as WADA had this information, it passed it on to the IAAF Ethics Commission and later on to the Independent Commission. It is important to remember that this information was concerning primarily issues of bribery and corruption.

**3. The role of the IC in the latter subject: were the IC's investigation and report complete and truthful regarding WADA's role and responsibilities? Why is it that the IC report doesn't say anything on the subject?**

**RESPONSE:** The Independent Commission acted in complete independence. The terms of reference specified that it would be empowered to look at any evidence related to any individual or any organization. This included WADA as well. The IC report speaks for itself, and there is a section of recommendations directed to WADA. In the second part of the report there was a complete part looking at the role played by WADA in reviewing passport data and other information.

- 4. The way in which WADA fulfills its mission of monitoring and following-up Code-compliance by ADO's and in particular whether this is done in an objective, neutral and transparent way: is there any discrimination in the fight against doping of certain sports federations, countries, NADO's, laboratories...? Are actions or inactions by WADA (also) inspired by or used for political aims vis-à-vis sports, federations, countries, persons, laboratories? (There are indeed scaring rumours on discrimination by WADA of laboratories that dare to be critical of WADA).**

**RESPONSE:** You obviously are not aware of the compliance structure that WADA has set up. This includes an independent Compliance Review Committee which has proven already that it works in complete independence and make recommendations based on objective criteria to the WADA Foundation Board. The WADA process is clearly defined and has just recently been ISO-accredited. These allegations are completely unfounded and unsupported by any evidence.

- 5. The possibility of a preferential relationship between WADA and USADA influencing unduly the fight against doping.**

**RESPONSE:** USADA is an important partner in the fight against doping for WADA and is one of what one could call "major NADOs". WADA has absolutely no preferential relationship with USADA and is working with the latter in the same fashion it is working with any other anti-doping organization be it an International Federation or a NADO. Again, these allegations are completely unsubstantiated.