

Decision no. 23 of the Special Ethics Committee

Committee Members:

Adv. David Fohrer – Chairman
Adv. Asher Akselrod – IBF Legal counsel
Mr. Modi Kenigsberg – IBF President
Mr. Eitan Levy – EBL board member
Mr. Adrian Shwartz

Decision

1. In a prior decision the Committee noted that it had been addressed by Mr. Amir Levin (co-writer of the "Doctors' Documents") who wishes to be heard by the Committee following what was said by Mr. Fisher and Mr. Schwartz in the Committee's hearings. The Committee decided that he shall be heard at one of the upcoming hearings (decision no. 20).
2. Following Decision no. 20, and at the request of Mr. Fisher and Mr. Schwartz, Mr. Levin's written address to the Committee was provided to them on 20.3.16.
3. On 14.4.16, Mr. Fisher and Mr. Schwartz were updated that Mr. Levin is expected to be heard during the hearing set for 19.4.16.
4. On 20.3.16 and on 14.4.16, Mr. Fisher and Mr. Schwartz addressed the Committee and argued that it is not appropriate to hear Mr. Levin because the appropriate time for hearing him or any of the other people who wrote documents was prior to the presentation of the defense's evidence. According to Mr. Fisher and Mr. Schwartz, the hearing of additional claims after the presentation of the defense's evidence infringes their rights and deviates from the rules of natural justice that are common in ethical proceedings and disrupts the distribution of the burdens of evidence and proof in such proceedings. Mr. Fisher and Mr. Schwartz further indicated that Mr. Levin was present during the Committee's hearings, heard the defense's evidence, conversed with the members of the Committee during the breaks in the hearings, and the weight of his testimony is low to begin with.
5. In light of the public's interest in investigating the truth, The Committee decides to decline the objections of Mr. Fisher and Mr. Schwartz regarding hearing Mr. Levin.

6. It should be noted that Mr. Fisher and Mr. Schwartz have not yet submitted to The Committee the document detailing their factual statements regarding the number of coughs during the course of the bidding and during the course of play and defense, as they were asked to do during the hearing on 8.3.16 and in Decision no. 20. Mr. Fisher and Mr. Schwartz are requested to submit the document.



The Special Ethics Committee

18.4.16