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### International Gold Cup

### STEWARDS' RULING

Date: November 11, 2022

Ruling # 2022-GM-3

A report from Industrial Laboratories, the Official Chemist of the Virginia Racing Commission, showed the blood and urine samples 22102521-007 from the horse *ROBERTS'S LUXURY* who finished first in the fourth race on Saturday, October 22, 2022, tested positive for Dexamethasone in the amount of 39.6 picograms per milliliter of plasma, which is 34.6 picograms over the allowable threshold.

Dexamethasone is a controlled therapeutic substance and is classified as a Class 4 substance under the Association of Racing Commissioners International Uniform Classification of Controlled Therapeutic Substances for Horses, version 4.2.1 December 2020 update. The penalty class is C.

This positive test is being treated as a single violation for the same medication as set forth in the Association of Racing Commissioners Recommended Penalties Model Rule, December 2020 (v.14.4). Reference National Steeplechase Association ruling dated October 30, 2022 for the Middleburg Fall Races.

Due to this mitigating circumstance, no fine, or points under the medication point system are assessed to trainer Sean McDermott.

The horse *ROBERT'S LUXURY* is disqualified from all purse monies in the fourth race at the International Gold Cup on Saturday, October 22, 2022.

The purse is ordered redistributed as follows: 1<sup>st</sup> – *JIMMY P*; 2<sup>nd</sup> – *R S ONE*; 3<sup>rd</sup> – *SAIGON*; 4<sup>th</sup> – *MERRY MAKER*; 5<sup>th</sup> – *CONNAGH'S QUAY*.

Refer to 11VAC10-70 and 11VAC10-180.

BY ORDER OF THE STEWARDS

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