

PRESS RELEASE

Some unusual events happened during the 2020 25/50m National Championships on September 27. When Istvan Peni, athlete of Ujpest Sport Club made a verbal protest in the final of Men's 3P event against Peter Sidi's weapon, hostile situation evolved between the two shooters. As consequence of a long process filthy, abusive remarks were exchanged.

Thanks to the professional approach of the jury, the competition has duly been finished. No appeals arrives, the winner and the medalists were announced during the award ceremony.

It is most regrettable that some days later Peter Sidi launched another, unprecedented attack against Istvan Peni mainly on Facebook. I wanted to reconcile the two parties through coordination by phone and online as well. I also sent a letter of conciliation to the athletes concerned.

As no progress were made by any side, I have made the following resolution:

Peter Sidi, athlete of Olympia Sport Club Komarom was given a presidential warning.

I called him to delete the false comments posted in the social media. Should he fail to do this, I will take the initiative to launch a disciplinary action at the Disciplinary Commission of the Hungarian Shooting Federation against him.

I drew his attention to comply with the essential rules of fair behaviour. I emphatically ordered him to abstain from any verbal or other countenance against other athletes as this is unacceptable and largely poisons the cooperation of national athletes. It does not help either the preparation of our team for next year's top events, the Tokyo Olympic Games, other major world and national competitions.

The President of the Hungarian Olympic Committee, Mr. Krisztián Kulcsár has also been informed about the situation and my resolution.

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