



## **PJA STATEMENT FOLLOWING RAB HAVLIN'S UNSUCCESSFUL APPEAL TO FRANCE GALOP**

Following the announcement yesterday that Rab Havlin's appeal against a six month suspension for a positive sample was dismissed by France Galop, Paul Struthers, Chief Executive of the PJA, said:

"To say Rab is disappointed by the outcome is an understatement. He fiercely maintains his innocence and will continue to fight to prove this.

"There is one further stage of appeal with France Galop which will be lodged today. In the event that appeal fails we will definitely be lodging an application with the BHA on Rab's behalf for the penalty not to be reciprocated."

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### **Notes for Editors:**

1. For further information please contact Paul Struthers, PJA Chief Executive, on 07966 590105.