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**South Korea football fans' anger at Ronaldo no-show – 1st August, 2019**

## **Level 0**

Football fans plan to sue Italian soccer club Juventus. The club had a contract to play Cristiano Ronaldo for 45 minutes in a game against a K League team, but he did not play. Fans want money. They sang the name of Ronaldo's rival Lionel Messi at the game. One fan wrote: "I'm no longer a Ronaldo fan."

The angry fans saw a lawyer in Seoul. They want \$850 each for the stress of Ronaldo's no-show. A lawyer said this was "a special case". He said Juventus used "false advertising" to get Ronaldo's fans to buy tickets. He added: "Some of the fans are very passionate. They are real fans....It is very painful because they love Ronaldo."

## **Level 1**

Football fans in Korea plan to sue Italian soccer club Juventus. The club signed a contract to play Cristiano Ronaldo for 45 minutes in a friendly game against an all-star K League team, but he stayed on the bench. Fans now want compensation. They sang the name of Ronaldo's rival Lionel Messi at the game. They also booed. One fan on social media wrote: "Ronaldo betrayed the 60,000 audience. I'm no longer a Ronaldo fan."

The angry fans went to see lawyers in South Korea's capital city. They want their \$60 ticket price back, and \$850 each for the "mental anguish" Ronaldo's no-show caused. A lawyer said this was "a special case" because Juventus used "false advertising" to take advantage of Ronaldo's fans. He added: "As for the mental anguish...some of the fans are very passionate. They are real fans, so for them it is very painful because they love Ronaldo."

## **Level 2**

Football fans in South Korea plan to sue Italian soccer club Juventus and its star player Cristiano Ronaldo. Fans want compensation after Ronaldo failed to play in a friendly against an all-star K League team. Juventus signed a contract to play Ronaldo for 45 minutes, but he stayed on the bench and did not even lace up his boots. Fans at the game chanted the name of Ronaldo's great rival Lionel Messi. There were also boos at the stadium. Fans have also been on social media. One fan wrote: "He betrayed the 60,000 audience and belittled us. I'm no longer a Ronaldo fan."

The angry fans want compensation. They have gone to see lawyers in South Korea's capital city. They want their \$60 ticket price back and compensation of \$850 each for the "mental anguish" Ronaldo's no-show caused. A lawyer said that normally in such cases, fans would get their money back for their tickets. He said this was "a special case" because Juventus used "false advertising" to take advantage of Ronaldo's fans. He added: "As for the mental anguish...some of the fans are very passionate. They are real fans, so for them it is very painful because they love Ronaldo."

## **Level 3**

Football fans in South Korea are planning to sue Italian soccer giants Juventus and its star player Cristiano Ronaldo. Over 2,000 fans want compensation after Ronaldo failed to play in a pre-season friendly against an all-star K League team. Juventus signed a contract to play Ronaldo for 45 minutes of the game, but he stayed on the subs bench and did not even lace up his soccer boots. Many fans at the game switched from chanting Ronaldo's name to chanting the name of his great rival Lionel Messi. There were also boos around the stadium. The fans have also been voicing their anger at Ronaldo on social media. One wrote: "He betrayed the 60,000 audience and belittled us. I'm no longer a Ronaldo fan."

The angry fans are now seeking compensation. They have gone to a law firm in South Korea's capital city, Seoul. They want Juventus to return their \$60 ticket price and pay compensation of \$850 to each fan for the "mental anguish" they suffered because of Ronaldo's no-show. A lawyer told the Reuters news agency that normally in such cases, fans would get their money back for their tickets, but this was "a special case since the company, through false advertising, took advantage of the football star's fans". The lawyer added: "As for the mental anguish part, I'd like to say some of the fans are very passionate. They are real, avid fans, so for them it is very painful because they love Ronaldo."