

Official Statement from LCS Limited

For Immediate Release

L.C.S Limited wishes to issue a resolute response to the recent actions taken by the Gaming Authority (KSA) in the Netherlands. Specifically, the unjustified fine of 2,074,000 euros imposed on our company for offering online games of chance on the website www.sonsofslots.com without a license, a single incident that occurred in early 2022, demands our attention, as KSA's said reaction seems to be -undeniably- excessively punitive.

Let us be unequivocally clear: we take our obligations under Dutch law seriously. The fine levied upon L.C.S Limited is not only excessive but also unjust, considering the facts. It's important to clarify that this fine pertains to a accidentally, single instance of violation that occurred in early 2022. We took immediate, decisive action to rectify the situation, effectively preventing Dutch customers from registering on our platforms. Our proactive measures successfully prevented Dutch customers from registering on our websites.

It is even more important highlight the KSA's own confirmation that we have ceased all operations in the Netherlands since September 14, 2022, as attested by the KSA's official statement, accessible here: https://kansspelautoriteit.nl/aanpak-misstanden/sanctiebesluiten/limited/. In this regard, KSA's own confirmation stands as a self-evident testament of our compliance with the regulations. The imposition of the aforementioned fine can be seen as even more unreasonable and as violating the protection of the legitimate expectation of any reasonable entity, because the fine should be qualified as a punitive sanction, while a sanction of a punitive nature has already been imposed earlier, namely the order subject to penalty, the so-called "last onder dwangsom".

Furthermore, we firmly reject the KSA's calculation methodology for determining the fine, as it is based on estimated figures which L.C.S Limited has proven to be wrong. It is flawed and without merit. We are aggressively pursuing an appeal to challenge this unjust decision. The fine, which we reiterate is based on a single, past violation, does not align with our current operations, which have consistently adhered to Dutch regulations.

It is of utmost importance to dispel any confusion created by recent media reports. We want to make it explicitly clear that L.C.S Limited has not re-entered the Dutch market in any capacity.

We categorically dispute this unwarranted fine and remain unyielding in our commitment to upholding compliance and fairness in our operations.

For further information or inquiries, please contact our legal representative in the Netherlands, Ms. *Guusje Pannekoek* (guusjepannekoek@blenheim.nl).