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Dear Mr Bergmann

### **Final Finding – Contravention of the Australian *Interactive Gambling Act 2001* – 8Xbet**

In August 2022, the Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA) commenced an investigation under section 21 of the Australian *Interactive Gambling Act 2001* (the IGA) into the 8Xbet service available at the URL <https://www.8xbet5.com>.

On 26 August 2022, the ACMA advised 978 Tech N.V. of the ACMA's preliminary contravention findings. On 9 September 2022, a response was received advising that 978 Tech N.V. has:

- > not targeted the Australian market
- > geo-blocked Australian IP addresses from accessing the service
- > prevented individuals with an Australian phone number from creating an account
- > updated the terms and conditions to require users to acknowledge they don't reside in Australia

The ACMA finalised the investigation on 14 September 2022, and has made the following findings:

- > the 8Xbet service was provided by 978 Tech N.V. in contravention of subsection 15(2A) of the IGA, as the service was a prohibited interactive gambling service with an Australian-customer link
- > the 8Xbet service was provided by 978 Tech N.V. in contravention of subsection 15AA(3) of the IGA, as the service was an unlicensed regulated interactive gambling services with an Australian-customer link.

### **No further action**

ACMA staff have revisited the 8Xbet service at <https://www.8xbet5.com> and confirmed that it is now blocked to any visits from Australia.

The ACMA has taken into account the measures implemented and has decided to take no further action at this time. However, we will continue to monitor this website and any other related 8Xbet

sites provided by 978 Tech N.V. and if contraventions of the IGA continue or re-occur, enforcement action may be taken in the future.

I also confirm the information provided in our preliminary findings letter that the ACMA will publish details about this investigation on its website. This may include details about 978 Tech N.V., its agents and or affiliates.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

You can contact the Interactive Gambling Team by return email if you have any queries, at [igtaskforce@acma.gov.au](mailto:igtaskforce@acma.gov.au)

Yours sincerely



  
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