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From: The Stewards
To: The Competitor NATANIEL BRUUN of car No. 41
Crew NATANIEL BRUUN / MARIO DEL RIEGO

All Competitors / crew members

The Stewards, having received a request from the above Competitor through the FIA Road Sport Department to grant *force majeure* regarding his non-participation at RALLY CHILE BIOBÍO 2026 due to financial reasons, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

Facts The Competitor mentioned above requested *force majeure* to be granted for the withdrawal of their Crew NATANIEL BRUUN / MARIO DEL RIEGO from RALLY CHILE BIOBÍO 2026, citing financial issues related to the availability of acquiring US currency in Bolivia and then transferring it for payment to participate in the Rally.

Decision NOT to accept the non-participation of the above Competitor as a case of *force majeure* for this rally and therefore RALLY CHILE BIOBÍO 2026 to be considered as one of the rallies entered by the competitor to score points in the 2026 FIA WRC3 Championship.

Reason The competitor of car No.41 requested to accept the reasons of *force majeure* for his not participation for the following reasons:

1. The impossibility of purchasing US dollars through the Bolivian banking system for payments abroad.
2. The retention of US dollar deposits in Bolivia and their gradual release in limited amounts.
3. Extended waiting periods to complete foreign currency purchases in most transactions.

A hearing was held on Friday 11th September 2026 at 15.55 hrs with the Competitor's representative, Mr. Michele Ferrara.

The Stewards analysed the online newspaper articles provided by Mr. Mario Bruun on behalf of the Competitor.

The articles dated May 2026 and July 2026, described a plan of the Central Bank of Bolivia to impact upon US dollar deposits. The article dated 08th September 2026 described the Central Bank of Bolivia having suspended the ability to acquire US currency. The Stewards note that each of the articles described a general situation within Bolivia and not the specific situation of the competitor of Car No. 41.

It is also to be noted that the Competitor took part in the previous event of the WRC Championship in Paraguay, held from 28 to 30 August 2026.

For these reasons, the Stewards offered Mr. Ferrara an opportunity for the Competitor to provide any further evidence for the Stewards to consider before deciding his application. On Saturday 12th September 2026, the Stewards received an email from Mr. Ferrara that no further evidence was available.

Having considered the matter extensively, the Stewards find that the evidence provided by the Competitor does not support a finding that circumstances of *force majeure* exist and so decide not to grant the application.

Competitors are reminded that they have the right to appeal certain decisions of the Stewards, in accordance with Article 15 of the 2026 FIA International Sporting Code and Chapter 5 of the 2026 FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules.

In accordance with Chapter 5, Art 10.1.1a - d) of the 2026 FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules, the time limit for the notification of the intention to appeal is extended to 24 hours after the publication of this decision on the Digital Notice Board of RALLY CHILE BIOBÍO 2026.



Chris McMahon
The Stewards



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This decision was notified to the Competitor's officially nominated representative as below:

<i>Name (in block letters):</i>	MICHELE FERRARA	<i>Date:</i>	12.09.2026
<i>Position within the team:</i>	SPORTING COORDINATOR	<i>Time:</i>	14:30

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