W2RC DAKAR RALLY 2025

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Date:	**Friday, 10th January 2025**	Time:	**15.30 hrs**
Subject:	**STEWARDS DECISION N° 18 (ERRATUM)**	Document No:	**2.20**

From: The Stewards

To: Competitor **No 349** Name: **AKPOL RECYKLING TEAM**
Crew **ADAM KUS / DMYTRO TSYRO**

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The Stewards, having received a report from the Clerk of the Course (Doc 3.31), having heard the crew members and a Team Member (Mr. Norbert SWIETOCHOWSKI), have considered the following matter, and after due deliberation determine the following:

Fact: Crew members of the Competitor Car #349 (the driver is a priority driver) did not place their mobile phones in a pouch provided by the organiser at the TC proceeding SS4.

Offence: Breach of Art. 9.1.7 / V1 of FIA 2025 CCRSR.

Decision:

- **Disqualification Competitor Car No 349 from Dakar Rally 2025,** which is **suspended until the end of Dakar Rally 2025** subject to no further breach of similar nature committed by the competitor during this period.

- **To impose 30 minutes time penalty on the Competitor Car No 349 on Stage 4.**

Reason: During the hearing (at the end of stage 5), navigator brought and showed the Stewards the sealed plastic pouches. He declared having sealed them at the start of SS4, as specified on the regulations. As at the end of stage 4 they were at the Marathon Bivouac, with no network, he declared that they did not open the pouches, and therefore did not request new ones at the start of SS5.

After further investigation and clarification by the Clerk of the Course, the facts in the report (Doc 3.31) were confirmed.

As regards the explanations given by the crew members (although they differ from the explanations given by the event officials), it should be noted that even their content confirms that the crew did not comply with the requirements of the Regulations (of the Art. 9.1.7 / V1 of FIA 2025 CCRSR).

The Stewards reminded the competitor about having to comply with the regulations, and therefore having to request the plastic pouch every day at the TC preceding the SS.

The Stewards conclude there is a breach of Art. 9.1.7 / V1 of FIA 2025 CCRSR.

The decision is based on the FIA 2025 International Sporting Code Art. 11.9.1, Art. 11.9.2.a, Art. 11.9.3. a, Art. 11.9.3.f, Art. 12.3.1, Art. 12.4.1.h., Art. 12.4.1.m, Art. 12.9.1 and Art. 12.4.6.

Competitors are reminded that they have the right to appeal certain decisions of the Stewards, in accordance with Article 15 of the FIA International Sporting Code and Chapter 4 of the FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules, within the applicable time limits.

Arnas PALIUKENAS	**Omar ZAROUR**	**Saleh ALEM**
Chair of the Panel of Stewards	FIA Steward	ASN Steward

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

Name (in block letters):	**PIOTR SZARAMA**	*Date:*	**10.01.2025**
Position within the team:	**TEAM MANAGER**	*Time:*	**15:50 hrs**

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