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From: The Stewards

To: **MRF TYRES Supplier**
Mentor Tyres

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The Stewards, having received a report from the Clerk of the Course (Doc 3.18) with photo evidence attached, having summoned and heard the Representative of MRF Tyres supplier, Mr. Vivek PONNUSAMY, have considered the following matter, determine the following:

Fact: The presence of a representative of MRF TYRES supplier at a different location (TC 1C) than the one authorized by the Art. 13.13 of the 2023 FIA RRSR.

Offence: Breach of Article 13.13 of the 2023 FIA RRSR, in conjunction with Art. 1.1.5 of the 2023 FIA RRSR.

Decision: To impose a **Reprimand to the MRF TYRES supplier Mentor TYRES**

Reason: The representative recognized that the person shown on the photo evidence is an MRF TYRES Engineer.

He explained that they have been using this practice for many years in a row. And no one has yet explained to them that it is forbidden.

Mr. Ponnusamy said that if they violated the rules, they certainly did it unintentionally. It will never be repeated in the future.

Art. 13.13 of the 2023 FIA RRSR makes it clear that representatives of the FIA-designated tyre supplier can be at the stop point of the special stages.

Anything that is not expressly authorized by these regulations is forbidden (Art. 1.1.5 of the 2023 FIA RRSR).

Stewards note that knowing the rules and observing them is the duty of the tyre supplier himself.

On the basis of Art. 1.1.1 of the 2023 FIA RRSR, for the purposes of the current Sporting Regulations, the Championship Promoter, tyre manufacturers, fuel supplier or any suppliers connected with competitive cars are considered to be rally participants in accordance with Art. 13 of the International Sporting Code, and as such must adhere to the obligations imposed on them, and abide by the decisions of the sporting authority.

All offences or infringements are punishable, whether they were committed intentionally or through negligence (2023 FIA ISC Art. 12.1.1 a).

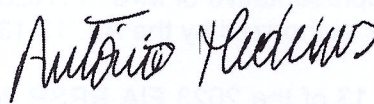
Taking into account the fact that the representative of the tyre supplier acknowledged the violation committed, the lenient penalty to be imposed on the tyre supplier – a Reprimand.

The decision is based on the FIA International Sporting Code Art. 11.9.1, Art.11.9.2.a, Art. 11.9.3.a, Art. 11.9.3.f, and Art 12.4.1.b.

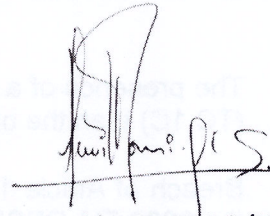
Competitors are reminded of their right to appeal certain decisions of the Stewards, in accordance with Article 15 of the FIA International Sporting Code and Chapter 4 of the FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules, within the applicable time limits.



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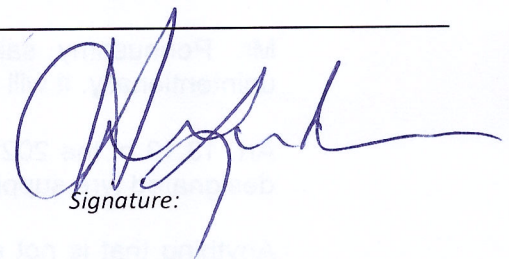
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