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 Subject:
 STEWARDS DECISION No. 2
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From: The Stewards

To: The Competitor UĞUR SOYLU of car No. 71

Crew UĞUR SOYLU / SENER GÜRAY

All Competitors / crew members

The Stewards, having received a report from the Clerk of the Course with documentary evidence attached, summoned the above crew members as well as a competitor's representative, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

Facts Tracking data for Car 71 was unavailable for extensive periods during

Reconnaissance Day 2.

Offence Breach of Article 35.4.4 of the 2024 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations.

Breach of Articles 9.3 and 9.4.1 of the Supplementary Regulations of Rally Croatia

2024.

Decision Fine of € 300 on Competitor No. 71 UĞUR SOYLU

In accordance with Art. 12.8 of the 2024 FIA International Sporting Code, fines shall be paid within 48 hours of their notification. Any delay in making payment may entail Suspension during the period a fine remains unpaid.

Reason

A hearing was held on Thursday, 18 April 2024 at 15:50 hrs with the Crew of Car 71, Driver Mr. UĞUR SOYLU and Co-driver Mr. SENER GÜRA, and Team Manager Ms. Duygu GÜR. The Stewards requested the presence of Mr. Alex RODRIGUEZ, the representative of the supplier of the FIA Tracking System, to replay the tracking data from Car 71. The Crew did not object to Mr. RODRIGUEZ's presence during the hearing.

The Stewards reviewed the RSLite App data with the Crew. The data clearly showed that tracking data was intermittent and extensively unavailable for major portions of the Reconnaissance on Tuesday, 17 April 2024.

The crew stated that, during the Reconnaissance, they had received a message from the Competitor Relations Officer notifying them that tracking data was not available for Car 71. The Crew accordingly decided to change the phone used, re-installed the mobile application and continued the Reconnaissance.

The Stewards requested the Crew to show them the application on the mobile device to verify whether it was working or not. It was apparent that the Crew had not given the necessary permission on the mobile device to share its GPS location and data with the application. The Stewards explained that during the installation procedure of the mobile application, the user will be requested to grant permission to share the device's GPS location and data. This procedure is explained in the RSLite User Manual that has been shared with all competitors. The Crew admitted that they had failed to follow that part of the instructions in the manual.

The Stewards recognise that this system is new for some of the (new) non-priority competitors. At the same time, nevertheless, this system is very critical to maintain the safety of the event as well as to ensure compliance to the rules of reconnaissance.

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The Stewards consider the fact that this is the Crew's first FIA WRC event. However, this does not exclude the responsibility and onus upon the Crew for proper use of the RSLite application. Offences or infringements are punishable, whether they were committed intentionally or through negligence (FIA ISC Art. 12.1.1.a).

Competitors are reminded that they have the right to appeal certain decisions of the Stewards, in accordance with Article 15 of the 2024 FIA International Sporting Code and Chapter 4 of the FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules.

Mazen Al-Hilli The Stewards

Tanja Geilhausen

Sanjin Paro

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

Name (in block letters):	DUYGU GŰR	Date:	18.4.2024
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