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Subject: **STEWARDS DECISION N° 3** Document No: **2.5**

From: *The Stewards*
To: Competitor vehicle **No 226** Name: **SIMON VITSE**
Crew: **Simon VITSE / Frédéric LEFEBVRE**

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The Stewards, having received a report from the FIA Technical Delegate (Doc No 6.1), having heard the Team Representative, having considered the matter, determine the following:

Fact: Competitor did not fulfil all the mandatory requirements set vehicles needing a new FIA Technical Passport and did not send all documents related to this to the FIA Technical Delegate

Offence: Breach of 2023 FIA Cross-Country Sporting Regulations Art. 8.3

Decision: **To impose a reprimand on the Competitor SIMON VITSE**

Reason: The Team Representative explained that they have not participated in the Rallye du Maroc 2023 for several years, and that they normally prepare the cars for Dakar Rally, calling in this case the ASN scrutineer by mid-November to complete the pre-inspections. As they were mainly focused on the preparation of their new model for Dakar Rally, they didn't not realize that they were not meeting the requirements for Rallye du Maroc 2023.

The regulations are clear:

"8.3 FIA TECHNICAL PASSPORT

Before being validated by the FIA Technical Delegate, the vehicle must be pre-inspected by an ASN scrutineer, using the compulsory FIA technical passport (available upon request from the ASN to the FIA).

*After a complete pre-inspection of the vehicle, the ASN scrutineer must write any comments in the location reserved for this purpose. A written report following this pre-inspection, must be established, **and sent to the FIA Technical Delegate by this scrutineer or the technical manager of the ASN, together with the copy of the technical passport and of the safety cage certificate, no later than the date of publication of the official entry list of the event counting towards the Championship in which the vehicle has been entered.***

It is of the responsibility of the competitor entering the vehicle to make sure the documents will be sent on time."

As stated in the Art. 3 of the Supplementary Regulations of the Rally du Maroc 2023, the date of the publication of the Entry list was the 4th of October. And it was published on the 4th of October.

According to the explanation of FIA Technical Delegate, even on 9th of October no information was received from Competitor regarding Car No 226.

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This vehicle was actually pre-inspected in Agadir on 10th of October and the pre-inspection reports and associated documents were sent on 11th of October by the scrutineer who pre-inspected the vehicle.

The Stewards finally conclude that there is a breach of the regulations and that a reprimand is necessary but sufficient for the reasons set out here.

The decision is based on the 2023 FIA International Sporting Code Art. 11.9.1, Art. 11.9.3 a, 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.



Arnas PALIUKENAS
FIA Chairperson of the Stewards



Mauro FURLANETTO
FIA Steward

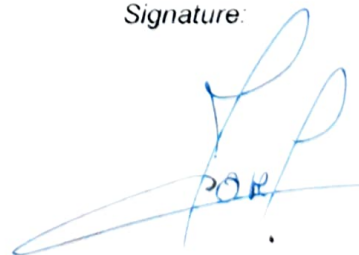


Ahmed HOUBRI
ASN Steward

Received: **FLOREL MARSE**
Competitor: **SIMON VITSE** Car No **226**
Crew: **Simon VITSE / Frédéric LEFEBVRE**

Date: **13/10/2023**
Time: **18^h 16**

Signature:



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