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Subject: **STEWARDS DECISION N° 3**

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From: *The Stewards*

To: Competitor **No 320** Name: **SANTAG RACING**
Crew: **Luis CIDADE / Pedro MENDONÇA**

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Attachments: -

The Stewards, having received a report from the Clerk of the Course, having summoned and heard the Crew members and the Competitor Representative (Mrs. Ana Lavado), having considered the matter, determine the following:

Fact: Performing actual timing (TC1B) and entry of the time on the Time card, one crew member (co-driver) was not in the control zone and within the immediate vicinity of the control table.

Offence: Breach of Art. 38.2.3. of FIA 2024 CCRSR.

Decision: **No further action.**

Reason: During the hearing, co-driver admitted the fact and explained that he had to take some medication due to some health issues, causing him some stomach pain, and nausea before arriving at TC1B, forcing him to leave the car for some minutes. The Driver thought he could pass the TC without the co-driver. The infringement was not done intentionally.

Competitor representative explained that it's their first FIA event. Co-driver confirmed having participated before in other competitions under FMP regulations (SSV are admitted in FMP events), where it is possible to pass a TC only with one crew member.

The stewards decide that in this situation the behaviour of the crew did not meet the requirements of the regulations.

However, attention is also drawn to what is prescribed in Art. 38.2.3: *The actual timing and entry of the time on the Time card **may be carried out if the two crew members and the vehicle are in the control zone and within the immediate vicinity of the control table.***

This means that in compliance with the requirements of the regulations, the crew could not even hope that in the absence of one member of the crew in the control zone, everything would be carried out. Therefore, the actions of the timekeeper (when he performs all the actions, although one member of the crew is not in the control zone) are also to be considered as contrary to the requirements of the regulations.

In view of the fact that the stewards have no reason not to believe the co-driver's explanations about the unusual situation caused by the standing of his health and the need to leave the driver and the car for a few minutes, and also the fact that the timekeeper's actions did not comply with the requirements of the regulations, the stewards find that in this case it is sufficient to limit themselves to conducting an investigation and not to impose a penalty on the competitor No 320.



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The Stewards finally conclude that there is a breach of the regulations, but not to impose a penalty on the Competitor No 320.

The decision is based on the 2024 FIA International Sporting Code Art. 11.9.1.

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

Anita PASSALIS FIA Steward

Paulo LAGINHA ASN Steward

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