

---

<b>Date:</b>	28.08.2025	<b>Time:</b>	11:05 hrs
<b>Subject:</b>	STEWARDS DECISION No. 3	<b>Document No:</b>	2.4

---

**From:** The Stewards  
**To:** The Competitor DIEGO DOMÍNGUEZ SR. of car No. 35  
Crew DIEGO DOMÍNGUEZ SR. / FERNANDO MUSSANO

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** Crew of Car No. 35 drove 150m of SS3 at 18.57km in reverse direction during the Reconnaissance on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2025

**Offence** Breach of Article 9.4.1 of Ueno Rally Del Paraguay 2025 Supplementary Regulations

**Decision** **Fine of € 1000 on Competitor No. 35 DIEGO DOMÍNGUEZ SR.**

In accordance with Art. 12.8 of the 2025 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 Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2025 at 15:30 with the Driver Mr. Diego DOMÍNGUEZ SR., Co-Driver Mr. Fernando MUSSANO and Team Representative Mr. Martin TOMAS of Car No. 35.

The Stewards presented the tracking data which confirmed that Car No. 35 drove approximately 150 meters of Special Stage 3 at 18.57km in the reverse direction during reconnaissance on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2025.

The Driver apologised for their lapse and explained that during the first passage of reconnaissance, they encountered a van with a trailer approaching in the opposite direction. As there were rocks on the side of the road and the crew feared the risk of mud and getting stuck, they decided to reverse in order to allow the oncoming van to pass safely.

The Stewards reviewed video footage of this location, recorded earlier by the FIA Sporting Delegate, and noted that there was sufficient room to allow the van to pass without reversing, especially considering that the reconnaissance vehicle used by the Crew of Car No. 35 was a 4X4 car. The Stewards therefore concluded that this reversing manoeuvre could have been avoided. This manoeuvre can also be considered as a third passage of this section of the stage, which is itself a breach of the regulations. Furthermore, reversing on a stage during reconnaissance can create additional safety concerns for the following crews using the stage at the same time.

The Stewards therefore underline that, while this infringement was committed in good faith and without the intention to gain sporting advantage, it nonetheless represents a clear violation of Article 9.4.1 of the Supplementary Regulations of the Event. This case should not be considered as a precedent for the future, and the FIA Road Sport Department will oversee future events' regulations to specify more clearly the penalties for similar cases.

The Stewards therefore concluded that as the Competitor is a Priority 2 crew, the imposed fine is appropriate and proportionate in this case.

Competitors are reminded that they have the right to appeal certain decisions of the Stewards, in accordance with Article 15 of the 2025 FIA International Sporting Code and Chapter 4 of the FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules.



Silver Kütt  
The Stewards



Vincenzo Spano



Francisco Peroni

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

<i>Name (in block letters):</i>	<b>MARTIN TOMAS</b>	<i>Date:</i>	<b>28.8.2025</b>
<i>Position within the team:</i>	<b>TEAM REPRESENTATIVE</b>	<i>Time:</i>	<b>11:10</b>

**Published on the Organiser's Digital Notice Board on 28.8.25 at 11:20 hrs.**