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From:	The Stewards		
To:	Competitor No 408 Name: LUIGI RICCI Crew LUIGI RICCI / STEFANO TIRABOSCHI		
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The Stewards, having received a report from the Clerk of the Course (Doc 3.9) with photo evidence, having summoned and heard the crew members, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

Facts The photo evidence included on the Clerk of the Course report shows that car #408 was refuelled by a team member on the road section between ASS1 and TC2.

Offence: Breach of Art. 49.1.2 and Art. 49.2.1 of FIA 2024 CCRSR

Decision: Disqualification of competitor #408 from Qatar International Baja 2024.

Reason: During the hearing, the crew members recognized the person on the photo evidence as a mechanic of the team.

Crew members also stated that their vehicle is only fitted with one fuel tank which was not sufficient to complete stage 1, and admitted that they had arranged for this refuelling to take place.

According to Art. 49.2.1 of the FIA 2024 CCRSR, the presence of team personnel or any team conveyance (including helicopters) is prohibited within 1 kilometre of its competing vehicle except in certain circumstances.

In the absence of an opportunity to complete a stage without outside external assistance, the competitor would be subject to the rule provided for in Art. 33 of FIA 2024 CCRSR. In such a situation the competitor would be subject to a time penalty but could continue in the competition.

However, in this case the competitor No 408 resorted to external assistance, which is prohibited.

The stewards decide that there is no reason to apply a more lenient penalty than disqualification in this case.

The decision is based on the 2024 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.m.

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.

Wilhelm SINGER
FIA Chairperson of the Stewards

Andrew KELLITT
FIA Steward

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ASN Steward

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Competitor: **LUIGI RICCI**

Crew: **LUIGI RICCI / STEFANO TIRABOSCHI**

Date: *1-11-24* Time: *1900.*

Vehicle No: 408

Signature:

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