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Subject: STEWARDS DECISION NO. 15

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From: The Stewards

To: Competitor N° 26 STRICHER Alexandre
Crew: STRICHER Alexandre / BENCHETRIT Thierry

The Stewards, received a report from the FIA technical Delegate (Report No 04), summoned and heard the driver(s) STRICHER Alexandre / BENCHETRIT Thierry [summons No.2], heard the ASN Technical Delegate in presence of the crew, have considered the following matter, determine the following:

Driver and car No: #26 Alexandre STRICHER

Competitor: Alexandre STRICHER

Time [fact]: 10:20

Session: Leg 3

Fact: The crew connects their own measuring instrument directly to the OBD socket

Offence: Art. 5.3, 5.9 & 5.10 FIA ecoRally Cup Technical Regulations.

Decision: Disqualification from the competition.

Reason:

During the hearing, the competitor acknowledge that their vehicle is equipped with a device connected to the stocker OBD that allows them to obtain data, adds that these data have been used by the crew throughout the rally, and they apologize for it.

The technical delegate states, during his declaration that this device is not permitted by the technical regulations and the use of the team's device prevents the OBD data from being properly transferred to the system used by the calculation of the classification.

According to the technical regulations, for the duration of the event, the OBD sockets must remain free for connecting any FIA equipment for the calculation of the energies used and recharged during the eco-rally; any instruments used by competitors cannot be connected to these sockets. If additional equipment has been installed onboard the vehicle, it must be declared and described by the crew during the first technical checks.

The Stewards therefore concluded that the competitor was in breach of the FIA ecoRally Cup Technical regulations and may be disqualified from the rally.

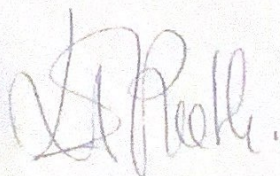
In case of failure to comply with the technical obligation, the competitor's liability is causal. A sanction must be issued against it, and this sanction is, in principle, disqualification according to past jurisprudence.

However, the International Court of Appeal has already considered in the past that, in "exceptional circumstances", the strict liability of a competitor for a case of non-compliance with his vehicle may give rise to a less severe sanction than disqualification.

The stewards determine that exceptional circumstances do not apply in the present case. The stewards conclude that, in view of the provisions of the relevant regulations, it was up to the competitor to ensure that the vehicle complied with the applicable technical regulations.

The decision is based on the FIA International Sporting Code Art. 11.9.1, art 11.9.2.a, Art. 11.9.3.a, Art. 11.9.3.f, Art 12.4.1.m and 12.9.1.

The Competitor is reminded that he has the 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.



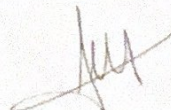
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This decision was notified by email to the Competitor's officially nominated representative as below:

Name (in block letters): STRICKER		Date: 20/10/23	
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