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Subject: STEWARDS DECISION No. 10 **Document No:** 2.11

From: The Stewards
To: The Competitor ROBERTO BLACH of car No. 60
Crew ROBERTO BLACH / MAURO BARREIRO

The Stewards, having received a report from the FIA Deputy Technical Delegate with documentary evidence attached, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

Facts During routine checks at the Stop Control zone at the end of SS5 (Brattby 2) Car No. 60 (ROBERTO BLACH) was found with the control unit of the extinguishing system not in an operating position.

Offence Breach of Article 253-7.2 of Appendix J to the 2023 FIA International Sporting Code

Decision **Fine of € 1000 on Competitor No. 60 (ROBERTO BLACH)**

In accordance with Art. 12.8 of the 2023 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 The Competitor was informed accordingly by the Stewards and was given the possibility, if he wished, to bring forward any representations other than having forgotten to activate the extinguishing system.

The Competitor confirmed that he would not make any further representations.

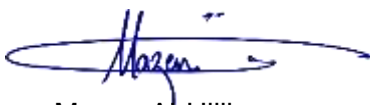
As stipulated in Art. 253-7.2.4 of Appendix J to the 2023 FIA International Sporting Code, the system must work in all positions. Art. 253-7.2 of Appendix J to the 2023 FIA International Sporting Code does not specify when the system can be switched on or switched off. For this reason, it must always be active during the rally.

The fire extinguishing system is a major safety item to protect the crew in case of fire in the car and it is essential for the crew's safety. Safety remains a key challenge and the FIA is committed to do everything possible to protect, among others, the crew.

It is further to be noted that the Clerk of the Course issued Communication No. 2 on February 8th, 2023, reminding all competitors about the activation of the extinguishing system. Competitors must always ensure that the system is activated before leaving the service park.

The Stewards, therefore, conclude that this is a breach of Art. 253-7.2 of Appendix J to the 2023 FIA International Sporting Code.

Competitors are reminded that they have the right to appeal certain decisions of the Stewards, in accordance with Article 15 of the 2023 FIA International Sporting Code and Chapter 4 of the FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules.



Mazen Al-Hilli
The Stewards



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Christina Lundqvist Viklund

Re: Stewards Decision No. 10 – Rally Sweden 2023

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

<i>Name (in block letters):</i>	MICHELE FERRARA	<i>Date:</i>	10.2.2023
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