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From:	The Stewards		
To:	Competitor car no 21 TEAM MRF TYRES Crew: Paolo ANDREUCCI / Rudy BRIANI		
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The Stewards, having received a photo from a video footage on car No. 21 in SS6, summoned the above crew members as well as a competitor's representative, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

Fact: The co-driver of car No. 21 did not have his safety harnesses correctly fastened while the car was in motion on SS6.

Offence: Breach of Art. 53.1 of the 2024 FIA Regional Rallye Sporting Regulations, Art. 12.2.1.h of the 2024 FIA International Sporting Code, Appendix L Chapter III Art. 3.2 and Appendix L Chapter III Art. 4 of the 2024 FIA International Sporting Code.

Decision: **To impose a 30-second time penalty on the Competitor Team MRF Tyres of car No. 21, to be applied at TC7A.**

Reason: The Competitor was summoned (Doc. 4.3) and was given the possibility, to bring forward any statements. The team manager, Mr. Walter Simonelli explained that there must have been some mal function of the belt and/or the FHR. It will be checked during the service.

The Stewards conclude that it is the competitor's responsibility to ensure that the safety equipment is fastened, tightened and used correctly (as intended by the equipment manufacturer) throughout the stage. Art 53.1 of the 2024 FIA Sporting Regulations clearly states that the safety belts must be fastened whenever a car is in motion and, additionally, Appendix L Chapter III Art. 3.2 and Appendix L Chapter III Art 4 of the International Sporting Code clearly describe the correct use of the FHR device and safety belts, which in this case were not correctly fulfilled. The Stewards find that it is the driver's responsibility to ensure that all the safety measures inside the car are being fulfilled during the special stages and driving with incorrectly fastened safety belts and incorrectly positioned and tightened FHR device is unsafe.

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.



Uwe M. SCHMIDT (DEU)
FIA Chairperson of the Stewards



Jean-Francois LIENERE (FRA)
FIA Steward



Massimo RINALDI (ITA)
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This decision was notified by WhatsApp to the Competitor's officially nominated representative as below:

Name in block letters	WALTER SIMONELLI	Date	27.07.2024
Position in the team	Team Manager	Time	20:15