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From: The Stewards
To: The Competitor HUBERT LASKOWSKI of car No. 81
Crew HUBERT LASKOWSKI / MICHAŁ KUŚNIERZ

All Competitors / crew members

The Stewards, having received a report from the FIA Deputy Technical Delegate with photographic evidence attached, summoned the above crew members, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

Facts The Crew of Car 81 was driving on the road section between SS 16 Stop and TC 16A with only three freely rotating wheels and tyres. The other wheel was driven on the partial remains of a tyre.

Offence Breach of Article 34.1.5 of the 2024 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations
Breach of Article 12.2.1.h of the 2024 FIA International Sporting Code

Decision Disqualification of Competitor No. 81 from SECTO RALLY FINLAND

Reason A hearing was held on Saturday, 3 August 2024 at 22:25 hrs in the presence of the Driver HUBERT LASKOWSKI and the Co-Driver MICHAŁ KUŚNIERZ.

The Driver stated that they had suffered a slow puncture between 10 to 5 km before TC 16A. Approximately 500 metres before entering TC 16A they realised that the tyre was completely flat. As there was not a safe place to change the tyre, they proceeded to the area of the control and changed it there. They also admitted that, due to the fact that they already had a puncture on the stage, they were not able to change the tyre when they realised they had a further puncture.

The 2024 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations are very clear, that on a road section that is a public road and at the start of a stage, a competition car may only be driven on four freely rotating wheels and tyres. This regulation concerning wheels on public roads was made for safety aspects. The regulations also state that any car not complying with this article will be considered as retired. Even if the competitor has been considered retired under WRC Article 34.1.5, the crew continued to drive on the road section for many kilometers on public roads with a tyre in an unsafe condition, which is considered dangerous. The Stewards decided that this was also a breach of Article 12.2.1.h of the 2024 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 2024 FIA International Sporting Code and Chapter 4 of the FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules.



Tanja Geilhausen
The Stewards



Andrew Kellitt



Riku Bitter

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

<i>Name (in block letters):</i>	MICHELE FERRARA	<i>Date:</i>	3.8.2024
<i>Position within the team:</i>	SPORTING SUPERVISOR	<i>Time:</i>	23:50

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