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Subject: STEWARDS DECISION No. 5 **Document No:** 2.6

From: The Stewards
To: The Competitor AAKIF VIRANI of car No. 34
Crew AAKIF VIRANI / ZAHIR SHAH

All Competitors / crew members

The Stewards, having received a report from the FIA Technical Delegate, summoned the above crew members as well as the competitor's representative at their discretion, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

Facts On Friday 13th March 2026, the crew members of car No. 34 opened the bonnet of their car and worked in the engine compartment while in Parc Ferme (before TC2D)

Offence Art. 2.5.1 of the 2026 FIA International Sporting Code and Art. 2.13 of the 2026 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations

Decision **10-minute** time penalty to the Competitor of car No. 34, to be applied at TC2D

Reason A hearing was held on Friday 13th March 2026 at 19.30 hrs in the presence of the crew members of car No. 34.

The crew members apologised and explained to the Stewards that at TC2D, they had decided to check if there was mud in the radiator of their car in order to avoid any possible problem of high temperature.

As stipulated in Art. 2.13 of the 2026 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations and in Art. 2.5.1 of the 2026 FIA International Sporting Code, inside the Parc Fermè no operations, checking, tuning or repairs are authorised.

The Stewards therefore concluded that the crew of car No.34 was in breach of the above regulations and that the sporting penalty imposed is proportional to this serious infringement.

Competitors are reminded that they have the right to appeal certain decisions of the Stewards, in accordance with Article 15 of the 2026 FIA International Sporting Code and Chapter 5 of the 2026 FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules.



Edoardo Delleani
The Stewards



David Domingo



Tuta Mionki

RE: STEWARDS DECISION No. 5 - SAFARI RALLY KENYA 2026

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

<i>Name (in block letters):</i>	WASIM SHAH	<i>Date:</i>	13.3.2026
<i>Position within the team:</i>	TEAM MANAGER	<i>Time:</i>	21:33

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