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From: The Stewards
To: The Competitor BRUNO BULACIA of car No. 35
Crew BRUNO BULACIA / AXEL CORONADO

All Competitors / crew members

The Stewards, having received a report from the Clerk of the Course with documentary evidence attached, summoned the above crew members as well as a Competitor's representative, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

- Facts** Car No. 35 was being driven at excessive speed on a road section on one occasion on Thursday 20th July and on two occasions on Friday 21st July, when the crew also caused a dangerous situation due to their rush driving.
- Offence** Breach of Articles:
- 34.3.4 of the 2023 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations
- 12.2.1.c, 12.2.1.d, 12.2.1.f and 12.2.1.h of the 2023 FIA International Sporting Code
- Decision** 1) A fine of € 2775 on the driver BRUNO BULACIA for excessive speed, in accordance with Article 12.4.1.c of the 2023 FIA International Sporting Code.
2) A 5-minute time penalty for causing a dangerous situation, to be applied at TC17B, in accordance with Article 12.4.1.h and Article 12.4.2 of the 2023 FIA International Sporting Code.
- Reason** The Stewards received a report from the Clerk of the Course on Friday, 21st July at 19:29 hrs concerning several traffic law infringements committed by the crew of car No. 35 since the beginning of the rally.

Considering the excessive speed at which car No. 35 was being driven and, therefore, the possible breaches of the relevant provisions in the 2023 FIA International Sporting Code, the Stewards summoned the crew and a Competitor's representative of car No. 35.

The hearing was held on Saturday 22nd July at 14:25 hrs, in the presence of driver BRUNO BULACIA and Team Manager JACEK WYRZYKOWSKI.

The driver did not give any clear explanation to justify the speeding infringements; he only stated that, due to some technical problems encountered on his car with the driveshaft, he had missed the speed signs. Furthermore, he was late in approaching the next TC and this was the reason why he had caused a dangerous situation. He recognised that he was not fully aware that he had not respected the traffic laws.

During their deliberation, the Stewards considered that, even if the driver had offered his apologies for his behaviour, there were no mitigating circumstances for those multiple infringements caused by his driving conduct.

Excessive speed represents a serious breach of the above-mentioned articles of the 2023 FIA International Sporting Code. The FIA is constantly promoting road safety and is committed to do everything possible to improve driving behaviour. Furthermore, "Obey the Speed Limit" is one of the FIA's Golden Rules.

Article 34.3.1 of the 2023 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations stipulates that throughout the rally both crew members must observe the national traffic laws. Therefore, the driver of car No. 35 was duly warned about his future conduct.

Under the above circumstances and considerations, the Stewards concluded that the two cumulated penalties as imposed are proportional.

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.



François Dumont
The Stewards



Henrik Frank



Juhan Mänd

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

<i>Name (in block letters):</i>	JACEK WYRZYKOWSKY	<i>Date:</i>	22.7.2023
<i>Position within the team:</i>	TEAM MANAGER	<i>Time:</i>	16:15

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