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From: The Stewards

To: The Competitor M-SPORT FORD WORLD RALLY TEAM of car No. 7
Crew PIERRE-LOUIS LOUBET / NICOLAS GILSOUL

The Stewards, having received a report from the FIA Technical Delegate, summoned a representative of the above competitor, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

Facts During SS 7 – Raanitsa 2, the energy released during **34** hybrid boosts on car No. 7 was higher than the maximum value allowed for that stage (the highest value was 207 kJ versus 130 kJ, as allowed in Article 11.9 of the Supplementary Regulations).

Offence Breach of Article 3 of Appendix XV (Rally 1 – Hybrid Strategy – Details) of the 2023 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations, in conjunction with Article 11.9 of the Supplementary Regulations.

Decision 5-second time penalty to be applied at TC 12C, in accordance with Article 12.4.1.h and Article 12.4.2 of the 2023 FIA International Sporting Code.

Reason The Stewards held a hearing on Saturday 22nd July 2023 at 09.00 hrs in the presence of Ms. Céline Guès (Sporting Co-ordinator) and Mr. Chris Williams (Technical Director).

Mr. Williams accepted the values measured. He explained that the crew made a mistake when choosing the hybrid mapping for SS7. The crew mistakenly chose the mapping which was supposed to be used for SS8 instead of the correct one. The crew had immediately admitted that they had made the mistake by themselves.

Mr. Williams and Ms. Guès apologised for this lapse, which was due to human error.

The Stewards considered that, although the performance advantage was rather negligible, the maximum value was nevertheless exceeded on 34 occasions. Therefore, the Stewards decided to impose the above penalty, also considering that it is the Competitor's responsibility to ensure compliance of the car at all times.

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



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RE: Stewards Decision No. 4 WRC RALLY ESTONIA 2023

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

<i>Name (in block letters):</i>	CÉLINE GUÈS	<i>Date:</i>	22.7.2023
<i>Position within the team:</i>	SPORTING CO-ORDINATOR	<i>Time:</i>	10:10

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