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**Subject:** STEWARDS DECISION No. 2 **Document No:** 2.3

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**From:** The Stewards  
**To:** The Competitor ALEXANDRE VERBEKE of car No. 62  
Crew ALEXANDRE VERBEKE / CHRISTOPHE RAMON

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

**Facts** Crew of car no. 62 was reported for driving in the opposite direction on SS 18 on Wednesday 17.8.2022 at 14:19 hrs (outside the scheduled time for the reconnaissance of that special stage)  
The crew drove through some parts of SS 18 from the SS finish and left from the SS Start using a direct road.

**Offence** Breach of 2022 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations Art. 35.4.2, in conjunction with Art. 9.3.1 and Appendix 2 of the Supplementary Regulations

**Decision** **Reprimand** on both Driver and Co-driver

**Reason** A hearing was held on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2022 at 14.00 hrs, in the presence of Driver Alexandre Verbeke, Co-driver Christophe Ramon and the Team Co-ordinator Ms. Anne Sophie Bonte.  
The driver stated that they were driving from Ypres to the Belgian boarder to collect some tyres and had followed the route indicated by their car's GPS.  
They did not think that this could be a breach of the regulations.

The Stewards reminded the crew's members that the reconnaissance schedule is meant to protect the crews, marshals and public and that the provisions of Art. 35.4.2 of the 2022 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations are clear.  
However, the Stewards accepted the good faith of the crew and under the above mitigating circumstances and considerations, they concurred to impose a reprimand on the crew.

Competitors are reminded that they have the right to appeal certain decisions of the Stewards, in accordance with Article 15 of the 2022 FIA International Sporting Code and Chapter 4 of the FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules.



Edoardo Delleani  
The Stewards



Kai Tarkiainen



François Dumont

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

<i>Name (in block letters):</i>	<b>ANNE SOPHIE BONTE</b>	<i>Date:</i>	<b>18.8.2022</b>
<i>Position within the team:</i>	<b>TEAM CO-ORDINATOR</b>	<i>Time:</i>	<b>15:35</b>

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