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Subject: STEWARDS DECISION No. 1 **Document No:** 2.2

From: The Stewards
To: The Competitor STIJN VANDAELE of car No. 95
Crew STIJN VANDAELE / TOM DEBRUYNE

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. 95 was reported for speeding on Tuesday, 16.8.2022 at 17:52:49 hrs on special stage 18, outside the scheduled date and time for the reconnaissance of that special stage.
The speed recorded was 86.9 Km/h for a duration of 3.3 seconds.
The crew drove through SS 18 for approximately 700 metres from the start.

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
- 2022 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations Art. 34.2, in conjunction with Art. 9.3.2 of the Supplementary Regulations

Decision 1) **Fine of € 425** on the Driver Stijn Vandaele
2) **Reprimand** on both Driver and Co-driver

In accordance with Art. 12.8 of the 2022 FIA International Sporting Code, fines shall be paid within 48 hours of their notification. Any delay in making payment may entail Suspension during the period a fine remains unpaid.

Reason A hearing was held on Thursday 18th August 2022 at 09.30 hrs, in the presence of Driver Stijn Vandaele and Co-driver Tom Debruyne.

The driver stated that they were driving from SS 17 to SS 10 for reconnaissance and, as they had time, they wanted to check the rally liaison section from SS 17 to SS 18. Doing this, they accidentally drove on SS 18 for approximately 700 meters from the start.

When they realised it, they immediately abandoned SS18 in order to reach the start of SS 10. They apologized for their lapse and for the speeding infringement.

The Stewards reminded the crew's members that the reconnaissance schedule and the relevant speed limit are meant to protect the crews, marshals and public. Regarding over-speeding, as the infringement was committed outside the scheduled time window, the Stewards decided to apply the fine as above.

Regarding the respect of the reconnaissance timetable, the Stewards considered that the infringement was committed by mistake and only for 700 meters.

Therefore, under the above mitigating circumstances and considerations, the Stewards concluded to impose a reprimand.

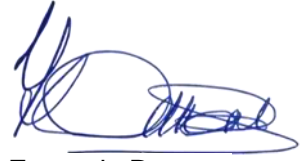
Competitors are reminded that they have the right to appeal certain decisions of the Stewards, in accordance with Article 15 of the 2022 FIA International Sporting Code and Chapter 4 of the FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules.



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>	PETER VANDENBROUCKE	<i>Date:</i>	18.8.2022
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