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Subject: STEWARDS DECISION No. 19 **Document No:** 2.21

From: The Stewards
To: The Competitor HYUNDAI SHELL MOBIS WORLD RALLY TEAM of car No. 6
Crew DANIEL SORDO / CÁNDIDO CARRERA

All Competitors / crew members

The Stewards, having received a report from WRC Promoter, with documentary evidences included, summoned the above driver and the Team representative of Competitor No. 6, considered the following matter and determine the following:

Facts The driver of car No. 6 was not wearing the cap issued by the Championship Promoter on the ramp before the Final Podium in Matosinhos

Offence Breach of Article 1.15 of Appendix IV to the 2023 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations

Decision (1) To impose a **Fine of € 1000** on the driver Daniel Sordo
(2) To impose an additional **Fine of € 15000** on the Competitor HYUNDAI SHELL MOBIS WORLD RALLY TEAM
This fine (2) being applied with suspension of sentence subject to no further breach by this competitor, of the above-mentioned article and other articles related to promotional activities at any FIA WRC events during the year 2023.

In accordance with Art. 12.8 of the 2023 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 Sunday 14th May 2023 at 18:45 hrs in the presence of the driver and the Team Representative of Competitor No. 6, Mr. Tolga Ozakinci.

The driver stated in his mind he had to wear the cap provided by the WRC Promoter only during the proper Podium ceremony.
He apologised for his lapse adding that the cap he wore on the finish ramp was his personal cap.

The photo evidence clearly showed that Mr. Sordo was not wearing the cap provided by the WRC Promoter on the finish ramp, when he was outside of his car and during the interview at that place.

Article 1.15 of Appendix IV to the 2023 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations stipulates that all drivers affected by the podium formalities are obliged to wear the caps issued by WRC Promoter from the time they exit their car in the Power Stage Holding Area throughout the entire duration of the prize-giving ceremony (except whilst the national anthems are being played) as well as during the press conference and they must keep their overalls closed.

The Stewards conclude that this incident was a breach of the above-mentioned article and furthermore, had a negative impact on the commercial rights of the WRC.

It must also be noted that Hyundai was already warned for the same issues after WRC Rally Spain 2021 and one of their drivers was fined for a similar infringement

in WRC Rally Estonia 2022.

As stipulated in Art. 9.15.1 of the 2023 FIA International Sporting Code, the Competitor shall be responsible for all acts or omissions on the part of any person taking part in, or providing a service in connection with, a Competition or a Championship on their behalf, including in particular their employees, direct or indirect, their Drivers, mechanics, consultants, service providers, or passengers, as well as any person to whom the Competitor has allowed access to the Reserved Areas.

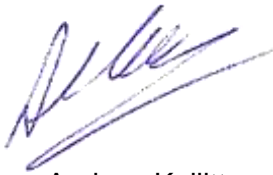
Having considered the matter extensively, the Stewards concluded that the driver of car No. 6 did not comply with the provisions of Article 1.15 of Appendix IV to the 2023 WRC Sporting Regulations.

Furthermore, Hyundai is responsible for these regulations being respected by their drivers throughout the entire Championship.

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.



Edoardo Delleani
The Stewards



Andrew Kellitt



Luís Tourais de Matos

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

<i>Name (in block letters):</i>	TOLGA OZAKINCI	<i>Date:</i>	14.5.2023
<i>Position within the team:</i>	TEAM REPRESENTATIVE	<i>Time:</i>	20:55

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