

Date : 13th September 2014

Time : 20.40 hrs

Subject : STEWARDS DECISION NO : 1

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From : The Stewards

To : The competitor of car No. 3 CITROËN TOTAL ABU DHABI WRT
Crew KRIS MEEKE / PAUL NAGLE

The Stewards have become aware of a situation occurring during the running of special stage 10 and involving car number 3 leaving the defined roadway just a few metres in front of the finish line and thus cutting a left corner.

The Stewards then summoned driver, co-driver and a competitor's representative to be heard. Driver and co-driver were accompanied by the Team Manager, Marek Nawarecki.

The Driver explained that he had intended to cut the corner in question in the same way as he did last year but then arrived at the corner a little too fast so that the cutting of the corner, even though originally intended to be a "big cut", became bigger than intended. He added that he had realized that the inside area of the corner was clear of people and that he had not gained a time advantage as a result. He apologized for that lapse and added that he was aware that this driving was not in the spirit of the rules.

All parties agreed that it was not necessary to show the video footage of the situation under consideration.

The Stewards reminded the Driver that the rule as specified in the Coates Hire Rally Australia 2014 Bulletin 1, point 2, has this year been introduced so that the situation on possible cutting of corners was different to last year. They also informed that a man had been standing right in the line which the Driver finally took just a few minutes before he had cut the corner and that a potential risk is always involved in cutting corners.

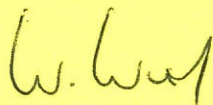
The Stewards, after due deliberation, consider that the above driving conduct represents a significant deviation from the roadway and thus constituted a breach of Article 14.2 of the 2014 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations, in conjunction with point 2 in Coates Hire Rally Australia Bulletin 1 ("Deviation from formed Roadway") and, in application of Art. 12.3.1.h of the 2014 FIA International Sporting Code

DECIDE

To inflict the penalty of one (1) drop of places in the classification of the Competition at the end of Section 6.

This penalty will be applied in the form of a time penalty of 1:01.0 minutes.

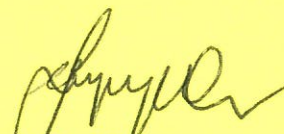
The competitor is reminded of its right to appeal.



Waltraud Wünsch
Chairperson - Stewards



Timo Rautiainen



Chris McMahon

RE: Stewards Decision No. 1 – Coates Hire Rally Australia 2014

Received by :

Name : MAREK NAWARZECKI

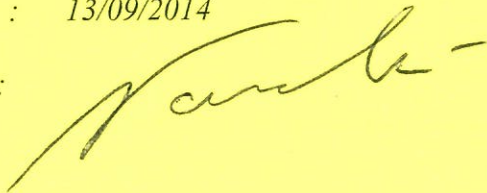
Competitor : CITROËN TOTAL ABU DHABI WRT

Car No : 3

Date : 13/09/2014

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Yvonne Sirel
FIA WRC Stewards Secretary