## Rally Liepāja 14.-16. August 2020



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Subject: **DECISION No. 04** Document No.: **2.5** 

From: The Stewards

To: Competitor and car No: 23, Napoca Rally Team

Crew: Andrea MABELLINI / Nicola ARENA

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The Stewards, having received a report from the FIA Technical Delegate (document No. 6.3), having examined photo evidence provided attached to the report, summoned and heard the co-driver Nicola Arena, have considered the following matter, determine the following:

Fact: Car Nr.23 was refuelled in the Remote Service Park before TCO outside of designated refuelling zone

**Offence:** Breach of Art. 8.2 of the Supplementary regulations and Art. 61.1.1 of the FIA Regional Rally Sporting Regulation (RRSR)

## Decision: To levy a fine of EUR 1.000

In accordance with Article 12.7 FIA International Sporting Code, the payment of the fines must be done online, within 48 hours of their notification, at the following address: <a href="https://fiafines.fia.com">https://fiafines.fia.com</a>. Any delay in making payment may entail Suspension during the period a fine remains unpaid.

**Reason:** Mr. Arena explains that his service man had the impression that the regulation regarding the refuelling will be valid only after the TCO, which is obviously a mistake. Mr. Arena apologizes for the mistake.

Art. 8.2 of the SR and Art. 61.1.1 of the RRSR, stating that Competitors may only refuel in the refuelling zones designated by the Organizer in the Road Book. The validity of both articles is not limited to the time after the competition has started, it applies to the entire event. According to the RRSR Art. 2.1 the rally begins on the day of administrative checks or reconnaissance (whichever is the earlier).

These regulations are an important safety measurement to avoid fire hazard within the Service Park. The pictures do not show any firefighting precautions taken by the team. According to Art. 12.1.2 of the Code offences or infringements are punishable, whether they were committed intentionally or through negligence.

Since the refuelling in a Remoted Service Park or Service Park is a severe infringement of the safety regulation, the Stewards, in application of Art. 11.9.1; Art. 11.9.3.a, Art. 12.3.1.c and Art. 12.4.1 of the 2020 International Sporting Code, and decided to levy the fine.



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FIA Chairman of the Stewards



Arnas PALIUKENAS

**ASN Steward** 

Competitors are reminded that they have the right to appeal certain decisions of the Stewards, in accordance with Article 15 of the FIA International Sporting Code and Article 9.1.1 of the FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules, within the applicable time limits.

FIA Steward

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