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**From:** The Stewards  
**To:** The Competitor TOKSPORT WRT of car No. 20  
Crew OLIVER SOLBERG / ELLIOTT EDMONDSON

All Competitors / crew members

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The Stewards, having become aware of video footage via a social media channel (Instagram), have considered the following matter and determine the following:

**Facts** A video was posted on the social media account of the driver Mr. OLIVER SOLBERG of car No. 20, where a hand-held mobile device was used for filming whilst driving on the reconnaissance.

**Offence** Breach of Art 12.2.1.f of the 2024 FIA International Sporting Code.

**Decision** To impose a fine of € 2000 on the driver Mr. OLIVER SOLBERG of car No. 20, which is suspended until the end of the 2024 FIA WRC season (expires Monday, November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024) subject to no further breach of a similar nature (breach of Art 12.2.1.f of the 2024 FIA International Sporting Code) during this period.

**Reason** The Stewards examined video evidence, the reconnaissance car of Competitor No. 20 and heard from the driver Mr. OLIVER SOLBERG, the driver's social media manager Mr. LIAM JOHNSON and the Team Manager Mr. OGUZHAN ILASLAN of the Competitor TOKSPORT WRT on Wednesday, March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 12:20 hrs.

The driver Mr. OLIVER SOLBERG stated that the video concerned was actually filmed and posted to his social media account by his social media manager Mr. LIAM JOHNSON and that the footage was taken in a vehicle other than the registered reconnaissance vehicle of car No. 20. The social media manager Mr. LIAM JOHNSON confirmed that he had filmed the footage and posted it to Mr. OLIVER SOLBERG's social media account.

Mr. OLIVER SOLBERG apologised and stated that he understood the mistake that had happened and the negative image that this would have to people following his social media account. He added that this video was removed from his social media account immediately after they understood their mistake.

The Stewards took into account that Mr. LIAM JOHNSON is considered to be a **“Participant”** in this event, as stipulated in Art. 2.6.4.c of the 2024 FIA International Sporting Code and that his role in the event is to prepare social media content for Mr. OLIVER SOLBERG. The aforementioned video filmed by Mr. LIAM JOHNSON that was uploaded to the driver's social media account for the public to see, clearly gave his social media followers the impression that this was the video of Mr. OLIVER SOLBERG driving the car and filming the process at the same time.

The Stewards furthermore considered that the drivers and also their team members should behave as role models for all the possible audience as concerns following the traffic rules and behaviour throughout the event and all publicly shared content of illegal activities goes against the principles set out in the FIA Road Safety campaign.

In reaching their decision, the Stewards took into consideration Art. 12.2.1.f and Art. 12.3.1 of the 2024 FIA International Sporting Code and found the above penalty to be appropriate in this case.

Competitors are reminded that they have the right to appeal certain decisions of the Stewards, in accordance with Article 15 of the 2024 FIA International Sporting Code and Chapter 4 of the FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules.



Silver Kütt  
The Stewards



Henrik Frank



John Kamau

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

<i>Name (in block letters):</i>	<b>OĞUZHAN ILASLAN</b>	<i>Date:</i>	<b>27.3.2024</b>
<i>Position within the team:</i>	<b>TEAM MANAGER</b>	<i>Time:</i>	<b>16:25</b>

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