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Subject: STEWARDS DECISION NO. 6 **Document No:** 2.7

To: The Competitor TRT WORLD RALLY TEAM of car No. 22
 Crew MADS OSTBERG / TORSTEIN ERIKSEN

The Stewards, having received a report from the FIA Sporting Delegate and having examined the video evidence available, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

Facts The Driver (Mads Ostberg) used abusive language during the live TV interview at the stop control of SS18.

Offence Breach of Article 12.2.1.f of the 2021 FIA International Sporting Code and Article 34.1.1 of the 2021 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations.

Decision

1. **A fine of €1000** on the driver Mads Ostberg
2. **Withdrawal of 25 championship points** for the driver Mads Ostberg in the 2021 WRC2 Championship for Drivers. This penalty is applied with suspension of sentence, the suspension to be revoked should the driver Mads Ostberg commit a further breach of a similar nature (abusive language in an interview) during an event of the 2021 WRC season.

Reason During the end-of-stage interview at the stop control of SS18, driver Mads Ostberg repeatedly used swear words in a short period of time.

While the Stewards understand that in the heat of the moment, especially after having suffered problems during a special stage, it can be difficult to control emotions, drivers should always have a decent level of control of their words in a live TV interview.

The use of swear words is considered unsporting behaviour. It damages the image of motorsport in general and contravenes the values defended by the FIA. All Drivers in an FIA World Championship should be aware that they are setting an example.

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 Chapter 4 of the FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules.

In accordance with Chapter 4, Art. 10.1.1.a – d) of the FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules, the time limit for the notification of the intention to appeal is extended to 16:00 hrs on June 6, 2021.



Timo Rautiainen
The Stewards



Mathieu Remmerie



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

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