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Subject

: STEWARDS DECISION NO :

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From

: The stewards of the meeting

To

: The Entrant of car No. 7 and car No. 8

CITROËN JUNIOR TEAM

The stewards were informed by the FIA that the CITROËN JUNIOR TEAM had apparently exceeded the maximum number of test sessions as stipulated in Article 67 of the 2010 FIA World Rally Championship Sporting Regulations. The CITROËN JUNIOR TEAM was informed by the FIA that the stewards at Rally Japan 2010 would consider the case.

The stewards then summoned a representative of the Entrant CITROËN JUNIOR TEAM to be heard on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> September at 13.00 hrs.

The Team Manager, Mr. Benoît Nogier, and Mr. Damien Dulenc, Team Co-ordinator, appeared in front of the Stewards.

On being questioned, Mr. Nogier confirmed that they had exceeded the maximum number of test sessions by 2 and, referring to the comprehensive and honest written statement already submitted, explained that the team was focused on complying with the maximum permitted number of test days, which they did, and had failed to observe the number of test sessions.

He confirmed that the reasons for not complying with this maximum number of test sessions were the back problems suffered by Kimi Raikkönen before the Rally of Mexico and that they were not able to use the three test sites selected to prepare the Rally of Germany on three consecutive days due to non-availability of one site at the preferred date.

The Entrant apologized for this lapse and confirmed that it was not at all their intention to infringe the regulations.

After due deliberation the stewards

## DECIDE

To impose a total Fine of € 6000 on the Entrant CITROËN JUNIOR TEAM (€ 3000 for each test session exceeding the maximum permitted number) for an infringement of Article 67.3.3 of the 2010 FIA World Rally Championship Sporting Regulations.

In taking the above decision, the stewards acknowledged that the total maximum number of test days was respected but, in consideration of a Reprimand already imposed by the stewards at the Rally of Finland for another lapse in connection with the regulations on Testing, also warn the Entrant as to his future conduct, in particular regarding the regulation on testing.

Waltraud Wünsch

Stewards of the meeting

Zrinko Gregurek

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