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To The Team Manager, Date 21 August 2015

Lotus F1 Team Time 14:14

Following a report from the Technical Delegate (Document 7) that Lotus F1 Team members "associated with the operation of the car" had triggered a breach of Article 30.19 of the Formula 1 Sporting Regulations and that this was the second of the two individual exceptions permitted during this season, the Stewards were requested by the team to exercise their powers under Article 11.9 of the International Sporting Code to provide a dispensation to this incident counting as the second of the two exceptions permitted.

The team explained that all work relating to the team cars had finished by 9.30pm, well ahead of the curfew deadline of 11pm. However due to extraneous circumstances, after the covers had been placed on the cars and the mechanics sent from the track, 3 team members who could be deemed to be "associated with the operation of the car", namely the Team Manager, Technical Director and Team Coordinator, had to remain in the garage in order to comply with the requirements related to these circumstances.

In view of this the Stewards decide under the powers granted in Article 11.9.1 and 11.9.2 of the International Sporting Code, to settle this matter by declaring that this incident will not be considered as one of the two exceptions under Article 30.19 of the Sporting Regulations and that there has been no breach of this Article.

The reason is that this matter was neither sporting nor technical in nature and involved no work being performed by the team.

All parties are reminded of their right of appeal under Article 14 of the International Sporting Code.

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