



FEDERATION INTERNATIONALE DE L'AUTOMOBILE

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### WORLD MOTOR SPORT COUNCIL

The World Motor Sport Council met in Paris on March 30, 2005. The following decisions were taken:

#### **FORMULA ONE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP**

The Technical Regulations will remain unchanged for 2005, 2006 and 2007. However, a proposal for change, unanimously supported by the Teams, would be considered by the WMSC.

The current rule which places no limit on the number of tyre manufacturers competing in the Championship would still remain in force at least until 2008.

The Teams would be invited to discuss the 2008 Formula One Technical Regulations in a meeting on April 15, 2005, with further meetings during the summer if necessary. In accordance with the requirements of the Concorde Agreement, the new regulations would be published by the FIA no later than December 31, 2005.

#### **WORLD RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP**

The President of the World Rally Championship Commission updated the WMSC on the development of proposals for the future of the Championship.

Final proposals would be presented to the June meeting following a plenary meeting of the World Rally Championship Commission.

#### **RALLY CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Approved in principle the establishment a not-for-profit commercial entity to develop the promotion and marketing of the Asia-Pacific Rally Championship. A final proposal would be presented to the June meeting.

## **GT**

Approved the internal regulations of the Bureau of the GT Commission. The mission of the Bureau is to maintain the balance of performance between the competitors entered in the FIA GT Championship and to ensure that any new participation by a competitor and/or any new entry respects the Championship regulations and does not upset the balance of the Championship.

Approved the eligibility of LM GT1 and LM GT2 cars, subject to the agreement of the GT Bureau.

## **TOURING CARS**

Approved the internal regulations of the Bureau of the Touring Car Commission. The mission of the Bureau is to maintain the balance of performance between the competitors entered in the FIA World Touring Car Championship and to ensure that any new participation by a competitor and/or any new entry respects the Championship regulations and does not upset the balance of the Championship.

## **CROSS-COUNTRY RALLY**

Approved the principle of reducing levels of performance for cross-country vehicles. The Technical, Safety and Cross-Country Commissions were tasked with analysing the issues and would present proposals to the June meeting.

## **MEDICAL COMMISSION**

Approved the adoption of new international anti-doping regulations in line with the rules of the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) Code. Decisions made under the Regulations may be appealed and all appeals would be ultimately heard by the FIA Court of Appeal.

Approved an immediate ban on the wearing of jewellery (body piercing and heavy chains) by race and rally competitors.

Paris, March 30, 2005

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