The Stewards, having received a report from the Race Director, summoned (documents 36 & 37) and heard from the drivers and team representatives, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

**No / Driver** 18 - Lance Stroll  
**Competitor** Aston Martin Aramco Cognizant F1 Team  
**Time** 16:42  
**Session** Qualifying  
**Fact** Car 18 unnecessarily impeded Car 31 in turn 8.  
**Infringement** Breach of Article 37.5 of the FIA Formula One Sporting Regulations.  
**Decision** Drop of 3 grid positions for the next race in which the driver participates.  
**Reason**  
The Stewards heard from the driver of Car 18 (Lance Stroll), the driver of Car 31 (Esteban Ocon), team representatives and reviewed positioning/marshalling system data, video, timing, telemetry, team radio and in-car video evidence.  
The driver of Car 18 stated that although he was aware of Car 31 approaching, he had no choice but to remain on the dry racing line because his tyres (soft compound) were cold and if he had not, he would have crashed due to the wet nature of the track. However the team did make him aware of the closeness of Car 31 and it is our view that he could have reduced speed on the straight between Turns 7 and 8 and allowed Car 31 past. Because of this, he unnecessarily impeded Car 31.  
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, within the applicable time limits. Decisions of the Stewards are taken independently of the FIA and are based solely on the relevant regulations, guidelines and evidence presented.