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The Stewards, having received a report from the Technical Delegate (document 33), summoned (document 37) and heard from the Team Representative, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

No / Driver	18 – Lance Stroll, 11 – Sergio Perez
Competitor	BWT Racing Point F1 Team
Time	13:47
Session	Race
Fact	Conformity of the rear brake ducts of car 18 and car 11
Offence	Breach of Appendix 6 of the 2020 FIA Formula One Sporting Regulations
Decision	Team reprimand
Reason	The Stewards ordered the Technical Delegate to inspect the Brake Ducts of the BWT Racing Point F1 Team Car # 18 and Car #11. His report concluded that the Brake Ducts on the cars are probably of the same design as the Brake Ducts used at the previous five Grand Prix. The team representative from Racing Point confirmed in writing that the Brake Ducts are of the same design as those used at the previous five Grand Prix. The facts in this case are therefore identical to the situation in the previous five Grand Prix.

On Wednesday 5 August, 2020 a Special Panel of Stewards was formed by the authorities that appointed the Stewards to the previous three Grand Prix to hear together the protests lodged by Renault DP World F1 Team against the cars of BWT Racing Point F1 Team. The Stewards have taken notice of the decision in Document 4 (including the note in Document 5) of the Special Panel, and the Decisions contained in Document 41 of the 70th Anniversary Grand Prix and Document 42 of the Grand Prix of Spain

The Stewards of the 2020 Belgian Grand Prix note the belief of the Stewards at the preceding events that it is important for the orderly conduct of the sport that the interpretation of the regulations by the stewards be reasonably consistent. The Stewards of the 2020 Belgium Grand Prix in general support that view, and also the view that where possible this same consistency should apply to penalties. Additionally, we note that at present, this matter is the subject of an appeal before the FIA International Court of Appeal, which will hear the matter "de novo".

Therefore, we join the following decisions of the Special Panel of Stewards from Document 4 of August 7, 2020; #1 & #2 in relation to the Styrian Grand Prix, #1 in relation to the Hungarian Grand Prix and #1 in relation to the British Grand Prix and incorporate herein by reference, their findings of fact and reasoning.

The decision contained herein should be read as entirely consistent with and drawing the same conclusions as the decisions referred to in the above paragraph.

The Stewards therefore find BTW Racing Point F1 Team in Breach of Appendix 6 of the 2020 FIA Formula One Sporting Regulations.

In relation to penalty, noting our comments above concerning consistency, we believe we must impose a Reprimand on BWT Racing Point F1 Team as the Competitor of Cars 11 and 18.

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 Article 10.1.1 of the FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules, within the applicable time limits.

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