



## 2026 MELBOURNE EVENT

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The Stewards, having received a report from the Race Director, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

**No / Driver** 11 - Sebastian Montoya

**Competitor** PREMA Racing

**Time** 11:14

**Session** Race 2

**Fact** Car 11 (Montoya) was released in to Car 8 (Bilinski) during the reconnaissance laps prior to Race 2.

**Infringement** Breach of Article 28.12 (a) of the FIA Formula 2 Sporting Regulations.

**Decision** A fine of 500 Euros to be paid by the Competitor. In accordance with Article 12.8.1 of the ISC, fines shall be paid within forty-eight hours of their notification by means of bank transfer to the FIA.

**Reason** The Stewards summoned (Documents 55 & 56) and heard the Drivers of Car 11 (Montoya) and Car 8 (Bilinski) and the team representatives. They examined video evidence.

Car 11 was released from its pit stop position into the path of Car 8. Car 8 was unable to avoid Car 11 and contact occurred, resulting in Car 8 colliding with the pit wall.

The Stewards note that the incident resulted from an error by the team personnel of Car 11, who misjudged the speed and distance of the approaching Car 8. However, it remains the responsibility of the team to release a car from its garage or pit stop position in a manner that does not endanger another driver.

Accordingly, the Stewards determine that this constitutes an unsafe release.

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

**Andrew Mallalieu**

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