



## 2024 AUSTRIAN GRAND PRIX

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<b>To</b>	The Team Manager, MoneyGram Haas F1 Team	<b>Date</b>	29 June 2024
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The Stewards, having received a report from the Race Director, summoned (document 38) and heard from the driver and team representative, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

**No / Driver** 27 - Nico Hulkenberg

**Competitor** MoneyGram Haas F1 Team

**Time** 16:14

**Session** Qualifying

**Fact** Pit lane incident.

**Infringement** Breach of Appendix L, Chapter IV, Article 5 b) of the International Sporting Code and non-compliance with the Race Director's Event Note (item 11, document 16).

**Decision** Team reprimand.

**Reason** The Stewards heard from the driver of Car 27 (Nico Hulkenberg), team representative and reviewed video and in-car video evidence.

The Stewards determine that at the time Car 27 entered the fast lane there was no suitable gap to blend in. However, it is noted that due to the fact that the team garage is at the end of the pit lane and in a position in which cars regularly slow down to make a gap to cars in front, it is difficult for the team to judge when there is a suitable gap to send the car to the fast lane. In this particular case there appeared to be a suitable gap at the moment the car was released from the garage, but the gap disappeared because cars were queuing in front of the team garage. This is considered as mitigating circumstances and therefore only a reprimand to the team is imposed.

The Stewards also note that the onus of blending into the fast lane at the right time cannot be put on the driver in this case as he was directed by a team member.

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.

**Felix Holter**

**Johnny Herbert**

**The Stewards**

**Matthew Selley**

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