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To	The Team Manager, Aston Martin Cognizant F1 Team	Date	09 May 2021
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The Stewards, having received a report from the Race Director, summoned (documents 32 & 33) 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 Cognizant F1 Team

Time 16:38

Session Race

Fact Car 18 did not pass behind the bollards at the exit of turn 2

Offence Alleged breach of Art.12.1.1.i. of the International Sporting Code and Point 21 of the Race Director's Notes.

Decision No Further Action.

Reason The Stewards heard from the driver of Car 14 (Fernando Alonso), the driver of car 18 (Lance Stroll) and team representatives and reviewed multiple angles of video evidence.

Stroll was forced off the track between turn 1 and turn 2 in a racing incident with Alonso and as a result of the incident was forced behind the apex kerb at turn 2. Stroll explained to the Stewards that he then steered to the left towards the bollards at the exit of turn 2. This was apparent from the in-car video. He then drove over one of the lateral kerbs behind turn 2 and the momentum and speed over the kerb forced him to the right. Even after this, Stroll continued to try to steer left.

The Stewards were satisfied that Stroll made every attempt to steer around the bollards until it was not possible to pass behind them. Alonso, who was in the hearing agreed that this was the case. Having not passed behind the bollards, Stroll then re-joined the track safely and deliberately slowed and let Alonso and Bottas, who was lapping, to pass him, eliminating any possible lasting advantage.

The Stewards were therefore satisfied with Stroll's actions and take No Further Action.

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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