



2026 CHINESE GRAND PRIX

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To	The Team Manager, Mercedes-AMG PETRONAS F1 Team	Date	13 March 2026
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The Stewards, having received a report from the Race Director, summoned (documents 23 & 24) and heard from the drivers and team representatives, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

No / Driver 12 - Kimi Antonelli

Competitor Mercedes-AMG PETRONAS F1 Team

Time 15:51

Session Sprint Qualifying

Fact Car 12 Allegedly Impeded Car 1 at Turn 1

Infringement Alleged breach of Article B4.1.1 of the FIA F1 Regulations.

Decision No further action.

Reason The Stewards heard from the driver of Car 12 (Kimi Antonelli), the driver of Car 1 (Lando Norris), team representatives and video, telemetry, team radio and in-car video evidence.

The driver of Car 1 (Lando Norris) told us that he was on a “pushing warm up lap” and not on a push lap. In other words, he was not actively seeking to set a meaningful lap time when Car 12 (Kimi Antonelli) came out of the pit lane and onto the track. Had Car 1 been on a push lap then, given the position of Car 12 on the track, Car 12 would have unnecessarily impeded Car 1.

In the light of the clear position taken by the driver of Car 1 that he was not impeded by Car 12 as he was not seeking to set a meaningful lap time, we took 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 Chapter 5 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.

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