



SERVICE FLASH

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LATVALA – I was happy to be the first one on the stages this morning, they were very damp and the dust was staying in the air. I did not have any problem, the car is ok and there have been no team orders until now. Sardinia is always a difficult rally, there are always surprises.

HIRVONEN – (Looks bothered). I found a lot of dust in both stages, I honestly could not do more. Maybe in these two stages I have jeopardised my chances of victory.

PETTER SOLBERG – I am still third, and honestly I am a little surprised. There is a lot of dust, the car is ok, I am having lots of fun.

LOEB – (Is clearly upset). I hope that in the second loop it will be easier to catch up with Petter. In these stages I had to stop several times because suddenly I could not see anything due to the dust.

MARTI' – Many problems with the turbo which caused us to stop in the first stage, in the second one we were without a turbo and we had to slow down more than once to let other cars pass.

HENNING SOLBERG – I was doing well in the second stage, then I had to slow down because of the dust. We had asked to start at three-minute interval but we were not allowed to do so.

NOVIKOV – The stages were very difficult, there was a lot of dust.

OSTBERG – Everything well, I did some good stage times. It's very difficult to drive in the dust.

PROKOP – Some problems with the dust in the first stage, otherwise all Ok.

KOSCIUSZKO – I had a puncture in the rear left losing nearly 30". Now I am more than a minute behind Prokop, a pity.

AL-ATTIYAH – In the first stage there was a lot of dust, in the second all was ok, now we are only 9" behind Sandell.

SANDELL – I am always leading in Pwrc, but the fight with Attiyah is still open. In the first stage I lost a lot of time because of the dust.



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BETTEGA – We made the car lighter by carrying only one spare wheel, we keep havine engine mount problems. In the meantime we have made up one position, now we are fifth in Jwrc.