

2013 CHINESE GRAND PRIX

From The FIA Stewards of the Meeting Document 58

To The Team Manager Date 14 April 2013

Vodafone McLaren Mercedes Time 19:24

The Stewards, having received a report from the Race Director and having heard from the driver and team representative, examined telemetry evidence, have considered the following matter and determine the following.

No / Driver 5 - Jenson Button

Competitor Vodafone McLaren Mercedes

Time 15:14

Session Race

Fact Enabled DRS when "DRS Disabled" message was displayed.

Offence Alleged breach of Article 27.5 (b) of the FIA Formula One Sporting Regulations.

Decision No Further Action.

Reason The "Note to Teams" (document 35) point 6 refers

However the Stewards consider that mitigating circumstances existed, in that :

- 1) There was a delay of 1 minute from the display of the yellow flags until the message appeared on the official message system.
- 2) The electronic marshalling system DRS disable function was not operational, so drivers were relying on team communications and information conveyed to them in the "Note to Teams" which was issued prior to the Race, resulting in a degree of confusion.
- 3) The DRS use was on the main straight where a green light was displayed.

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