**STAGE FLASH**

**Date: 24 April 2021**

**Day: 3 Flash N°: 11**

**Special stage: SS10 Stojdraga - Gornja Vas 1 Distance: 20.77 km**

**Weather: Bright blue skies, 14 degrees**

**Road conditions: Dry, largely clean but some sections where gravel has been dragged onto road**

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**Car #18. TAKAMOTO KATSUTA/DANIEL BARRITT**

No quote available. Completed stage in a time of 12m36.9s.

**Car #7. PIERRE-LOUIS LOUBET/VINCENT LANDAIS**

No quote available. Completed stage in a time of 12m47.7s.

**Car #44. GUS GREENSMITH/CHRIS PATTERSON**

No quote available. Completed stage in a time of 12m55.9s. Minor contact with a bank but no issues reported.

**Car #16. ADRIEN FOURMAUX/RENAUD JAMOUL**

No quote available. Completed stage in a time of 12m44.5s.

**Car #42. CRAIG BREEN/PAUL NAGLE**

No quote available. Completed stage in a time of 12m51.2s.

**Car #8. OTT TÄNAK/MARTIN JÄRVEOJA**

No quote available. Completed stage in a time of 12m43.1s.

**Car #33. ELFYN EVANS/SCOTT MARTIN**

No quote available. Completed stage in a time of 12m42.6s.

**Car #1. SÉBASTIEN OGIER/JULIEN INGRASSIA**

No quote available. Completed stage in a time of 12m40.3s.

**Car #11. THIERRY NEUVILLE/MARTIJN WYDAEGHE**

No quote available. Completed stage in a time of 12m51.5s.

**Car #24. MADS ØSTBERG/TORSTEIN ERIKSEN**

No quote available. Completed stage in a time of 13m21.4s.

**Car #21. NIKOLAY GRYAZIN/KONSTANTIN ALEKSANDROV**

No quote available. Completed stage in a time of 13m21.2s.

**Car #25. TEMMU SUNINEN/MIKO MARKKULA**

No quote available. Completed stage in a time of 13m17.8s.

**COMMENTS**

Takamoto Katsuta/Daniel Barritt scored a sensational fastest stage time, their second in the WRC, with a blistering run through SS9 of the Croatia Rally. Sébastien Ogier/Julien Ingrassia were second quickest, 3.4s behind, to extend their overall lead to 5.4s ahead of Elfyn Evans/Scott Martin following a Toyota 1-2-3 on the stage. The trio selected five hard-compound Pirelli tyres for Saturday’s opening loop and the decision has translated in a strong start to the day for the works Toyota team. In contrast, it was another tough stage for overnight leaders Thierry Neuville/Martijn Wydaeghe. The Hyundai crew, whose i20 Coupe WRC is fitted with hard-compound Pirelli tyres on the front and soft-compound tyres on the rear, were eighth quickest and have slipped to 15.5s behind Ogier/Ingrassia having started the day 7.7s in front.