**STAGE FLASH**

**Date: 24 April 2021**

**Day: 3 Flash N°: 16**

**Special stage: SS15 Krašić - Vrškovac 2 Distance: 11.11 km**

**Weather: Bright blue skies, 20 degrees**

**Road conditions: Dry, largely clean but gravel dragged onto road in some sections**

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

Completed stage in a time of 5m36.6s. Comment on road section after SS15: “I’m pretty happy about that and this time it was similar conditions than the other drivers. I felt pretty good stage, just one mistake in the middle of the stage and lost maybe two seconds. Otherwise, it was very clean and that’s good.”

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

Crashed on SS14.

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

Completed stage in a time of 5m42.1s. Comment on road section after SS15: “Taka is looking pretty fast this afternoon. It felt like a really good run, to be honest, through there, I don’t really know many places where I could have gone a lot faster. But Taka’s time was pretty fast.”

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

No quote available. Completed stage in a time of 5m40.1s.

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

No quote available. Completed stage in a time of 5m39.2s.

**Car #8. OTT TÄNAK/MARTIN JÄRVEOJA**

No quote available. Completed stage in a time of 5m35.2s.

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

Completed stage in a time of 5m33.1s. Comment on road section after SS15 responding to WRC Plus All Live’s question about the extra weight he’s carrying by taking two spare tyres: “Not too much to be honest. The guys have a formula for that and it’s set up quite well. Of course, it’s perhaps a bit of a weight penalty but it’s a decision we took.”

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

No quote available. Completed stage in a time of 5m32.1s.

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

No quote available. Completed stage in a time of 5m32.1s.

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

No quote available. Completed stage in a time of 5m57.3s.

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

Completed stage in a time of 5m554.s.

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

Completed stage in a time of 5m58.7s.

**COMMENTS**

Sébastien Ogier/Julien Ingrassia and Thierry Neuville/Martijn Wydaeghe set the identical fastest time on SS15, the penultimate stage of the Croatia Rally’s second leg, completing the 11.11-kilometre run in 5m32.1s. Elfyn Evans/Scott Martin were 1.0s slower and trail Ogier/Ingrassia by 6.5s in the overall classification with Neuville/Wydaeghe 2.9s further back. The top three are covered by 9.4s with one Saturday stage remaining.