



SERVICE FLASH

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LOEB – I started first this morning so the road was not clean and I lost some time. We hope to do better in the second part.

GRONHOLM – I hit a bush with the front left of the car and a branch tied on the bonnet everything else is fine. I'm of course satisfied with what we've done this morning. We are in the lead. So far so good.

PETTER SOLBERG – In the first stage I spin and I damaged the front right of the car, therefore I was not able to make up for lost time during the second and third stages as I was supposed to do. I have to catch up in the second part.

HIRVONEN – It's a pity I could have done better. I'm satisfied with my placing so far, but not with my feeling with the car. I had some problems with the engine in the last stage, we hope it won't be serious.

GALLI – I'm annoyed because in the first stage I lost quite a few seconds because I wanted to avoid a rock. Then I attacked and I have to say the times now are better. I hope I can do better in the second part.

PONS - I did good in the first two stages, not very well in the third one. Maybe the notes were not good enough, I don't know, but anyway I didn't like myself. The car is fine.

SORDO – I'm gaining experience on gravel with the Xsara Wrc, I'm happy with how is it going.

DUVAL – I have engine and traction problem.

ROVAMPERA – A few problems we have to sort out mainly regarding the handiness of the car .

HENNING SOLBERG – I'm satisfied the car is fine and I feel comfortable.

STOHL – Is a very difficult race. I hit something, maybe a rock, that's why my bumper is bended.

ISAO TORII (Team Manager MITSUBISHI) – “ We are here in Sardinia to follow the race of Valimaki, racing with our Lancer WRC. We hope to be soon back in the World Rally Championship