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Statement from Angelo Sticchi Damiani, President of Automobile Club d'Italia:

"With the launch of the new website for Rally Italia Sardegna 2012, we enter in the last stage of preparation for the Italian round of the FIA World Rally Championship."

"The Automobile Club d'Italia is a living reminder of the history of Italian Motorsport. ACI is at present embodied by its representatives, its branches which are spread throughout Italian territory and its constant work through the Commissione Sportiva Automobilistica Italiana (CSAI). ACI also represents the future with its projects targeting young people and by safeguarding the great motorsport events held in Italy like the Italian round of the World Rally Championship.

These considerations are worth mentioning as we stand only few months away from Rally Italia Sardegna 2012 - months which I'm sure will pass very quickly – and this year, for the first time, I will host the event as President of ACI, organising body of the rally.

With the release of the new website for Rally Italia Sardegna 2012, we enter the last stage of preparation for the Italian round of the World Rally Championship. With the general template of the rally already in place, this is a crucial time which will be used for the final tweaks to the event. Once again Rally Italia Sardegna's staff are making a huge effort to put into place an extraordinary event, which I'm sure will be praised by everyone in the international rally community. Our staff is our best asset, they are like an army that will be 700 strong during the rally week. Men and women from CSAI will be yet again on the front line to ensure the best outcome for the event.

Starting from today, the new website will give everyone around the world all the information about the event, the details and the latest news as we begin the countdown to Rally Italia Sardegna 2012. I'm sure that with its new look the website will obtain the same great success as it did in past incarnations of the rally, quickly becoming the essential reference point for the fans, the personnel, the teams and drivers as well as for national and international media.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude and personally invite to Sardinia all the members of the FIA and especially the President Jean Todt, the President of the WRC Commission



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Jarmo Mahonen and the WRC Manager Michèle Mouton - they have always shown great support to Rally Italia Sardegna and have recently granted a place for our event in the 2013 WRC calendar."

Angelo Sticchi Damiani

Automobile Club d'Italia President

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