



## STAGE FLASH

**DATE:** 18 October 2012

**DAY:** 1

**SPECIAL STAGE:** SS2 - Terranova

**WEATHER:** Sunny

**ROAD CONDITIONS:** Compact no ruts and cleaner compared to the first pass.

**FLASH NO:** 2

**DISTANCE:** 28,14 km

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CAR #1 – S.Loeb / D. Elena: “It’s a great battle with Mikko, he’s only one second behind us so very close. We had to push quite hard but it’s a very nice fight.”

CAR #2 – M. Hirvonen / J. Lehtinen: “It was a good start, we’re one second behind Seb but the rally it still very long. The car is perfect so I just to go as fast as I can.”

CAR #3 – J.M Latvala / M. Anttila: “It’s a big disappointment. We were 10kms into the stage when we hit a rock and the tyre came off the rim so we started losing air. We lost a lot of time unfortunately.”

CAR #4 – P. Solberg / C. Patterson: No comments

CAR #5 – O. Tanak / K. Sikk: “ I’ve got no grip”

CAR #6 – E. Novikov / I. Minor: “Very difficult, I took some risks. I pushed a bit and the time has improved”.

CAR #10 – M. Ostberg / J. Andersson: “The cross member of our car is broken and we’re losing a lot of time. Tomorrow is another day, we hope to get back on the pace.”

CAR #12 – C. Atkinson / S. Prevot: “We had a good feeling with the car at the start of the stage, then something has changed and the second part of the stage I’ve lost the rhythm”

CAR #21 – M. Prokop / Z. Hruza: “It was ok but now we have a problem on the rear axle. On the previous stage we lost a lot of time because we’re on the wrong tyres.”

CAR #22 – S. Ogier / J. Ingrassia: “I crashed at the beginning of the stage and I had to drive 2 km with a flat tyre” (Rear left tyre flat)

CAR #31 – M. Kosciuszko / M. Szczepaniak: Stopped with an open tyre, as Guerra-Rozada

CAR #32 – N. Fuchs / F. Mussano: “ I have problems with the breaks”

CAR #33 – M. Ligato / R. Garcia: “Stage very nice but difficult. All in the dark. I’m not used to it”



CAR #36 – L. Cook / S. Davies: “I have to excuse myself with the other competitors, but driving without supplementary lights is difficult”

CAR #38 – B. Guerra / B. Rozada: Stopped together with Kosciuszko, in the same place, after the second intermediate with an open tyre.

CAR #40 – G. Linari / A. Cecchi: He broke the front right suspension mid stage.

CAR #51 – K. Kruuda / M. Jarveoja: “We have reached the crew Cook-Davies in the same place as during the first pass. This is dangerous”.

CAR #52 – G. Dettori / C. Pisano: Even if he started with a five minutes gap, he reached the crew ahead Cook-Davies

CAR #61 – M. Angrisani – M. Pollicino: “We broke the hand brake and the lights were trembling”