



## SERVICE FLASH

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### Car 11. Petter Solberg/Phil Mills

I knew before the start that it was going to be tough as the first day on the road today. With that gravel you can't do anything. Let's hope that we don't lose any more time. If we can do that in the afternoon then we still have a very good chance. If that happens, then it will be a big fight I think.

### Car 4. Jari-Matti Latvala/Miikka Anttila

Friday was very good for us but this morning I am not completely satisfied. The first stage went well but the second stage I was far too careful and the third one I thought we were driving quite well. Okay we had a couple of places where we lost a few seconds but the leading effort was very massive in the third one. We need to just keep going very quick and a lot of the guys like Ogier, Dani, Sebastien, Petter and Mikko – they are all pushing so you can't afford to slow down at all.

### Car 7. Sebastien Ogier/Julien Ingrassia

I am not sure how much we need in time but we will just continue to push all day now. Things were quite slippery but we are doing okay.

### Car 2. Dani Sordo/Marc Marti

Yesterday was better because the roads were faster and today was really narrow road and more twisty and more difficult. I tried to go fast but really there is only one line and if you take this line it is very difficult to break into the corner. But the others were really fast so I will try to go faster now.

I will try to push it a bit more but not too much otherwise I will finish 10th. It is not easy because you feel all the time you can break late but if you do that outside the line it is hard and if you break two times then you lose speed. It is difficult to break well and keep on the road and not slow down. It is not like a normal rally.

### Car 3. Mikko Hirvonen/Jarmo Lehtinen

In the first stage the car started to slide wide and I went right around and went down the stage the wrong way. I had to find a place to turnaround and come back. That lost quite a bit of time.

Then I had a puncture about 7km in but after that the car has been okay.

The car set up yesterday was too soft but today it is much stiffer and much better. But you know Seb is unbelievably quick today.

### Car 5. Matthew Wilson/Scott Martin

It was alright so far today without any massive problems, It was very loose out there with a lot of gravel and not like yesterday's conditions at all.

### Car 1. Sebastien Loeb/Daniel Elena

It was a great morning. I pushed very hard to take advantage of the road position. There were a few hairy moments but we have to take chances to get the time back. Especially in the long stage there was a very lot of gravel and so we could take good advantage.

May be I had to take quite a bit of risk to get the fast time but I am not doing more than I did yesterday morning but not to lose some time on the gravel in the morning I took more risk.

### Car 6. Henning Solberg/Ilka Minor

It is not working today at all. It was very slippery out there and I had no rhythm at all.

**Car 9. Federico Villagra/Jorge Perez Compac**

The last long stage was very slippery. Overall things are very good and we made changes to the brakes and differential which have worked well.