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Lilou Wadoux Niklas Nielsen

Press Conference

THE MODERATOR: We'll welcome up our LMP2 winners. We have the lineup of No. 88 Richard Mille Af Corse Oreca LMP2 07. We have Lilou Wadoux and Niklas Nielsen. Luis Perez Companc was their co-driver.

Lilou, how important a win is this for you to get here in IMSA?

LILOU WADOUX: Yeah, for me it's the good thing because since the start of the year, it's little bit difficult. We had an issue in Daytona. In Sebring we had a little contact and after fire in the car. Is good to finish the race and to be in the first place.

So today was not an easy race. Tricky conditions. But Louis and Niklas did an amazing job. The car was amazing. For me, I'm super happy to win here. I'm happy to win.

THE MODERATOR: Niklas, obviously quite a run here, quite a week. Can you put that into some context for us.

NIKLAS NIELSEN: Yeah, I'm obviously very, very happy. I mean, it's been a good week, a good couple of weeks I would say. Yeah, I'm happy to make my maiden win in IMSA, as well. Super competitive championship.

Like Lilou said, I think we have been fast and competitive the whole IMSA season, but we've just been a bit unlucky. Obviously with the contact and then the fire in the car in Sebring, that didn't really help us. But I'm really happy to bounce back here.

Coming with a fresh victory from Le Mans obviously makes this even better. I think Lilou said that Louis and I did a fantastic job, but she did a mega job as well. She was on track in very difficult conditions, and she managed that very well. I think it's fully deserved that she finally got her victory, as well, here.

THE MODERATOR: Go to questions.



Q. Obviously with the rain and everything, it was a hard race to read. Was there any particular moment or strategy call that you think put yourselves in the position to win?

NIKLAS NIELSEN: Well, I mean, we were actually a bit lucky with the first, like, big shower we had, when we had the safety car replaced by the red flag. We actually started the refueling, then it started to rain heavily in the pit lane. We decided to go on the wets.

On the other hand, I mean, once the restart happened, it was more or less already dry again. I would say we were lucky and then we were a bit unlucky again. Pretty much everyone had to (indiscernible) their tires and fuel. There were a few cars on slicks, but they had to box for fuel.

In the end it was like a hard fight. I think it was Colin Braun and Felipe. Racing here is always tough. But yeah, I mean, we were a bit lucky. I think we did a good job, as well. It was the combination of the two that got us the victory today.

THE MODERATOR: Congratulations. Appreciate you coming in.

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