

## **PRESS RELEASE**

## FIA Rally Stars Feted by Kenya Airways Ahead of the 2023 Safari Rally

**Nairobi, 14 June 2023** - Kenya's national carrier Kenya Airways (KQ) recognized three drivers under the International Automobile Federation (FIA) Rally Star Programme as the future of motorsports in Kenya. The drivers Jeremy Wahome, Hamza Anwar and McRae Kimathi accompanied by their navigators Victor Okundi and Mwangi Kioni will participate in the third edition of the Safari Rally since returning to the World Rally Championship (WRC) calendar, much to the delight of all motorsport lovers in the region.

"It is humbling to be involved and witness part of the journey of the next generation of competitive rally drivers sprouting from Kenya. Each one of these young rally drivers have gone through their own motorsports journey to be here, and now they are competing at continental and global stage courtesy of the FIA Rally Stars with the support of the Pride of Africa. The result of their growth is evident in their performances," "said Allan Kilavuka, Group MD and CEO, Kenya Airways.

To date Kenya Airways has contributed over KES100 million towards the FIA program, these funds have been beneficial in supporting and facilitating the young rally drivers, their support teams, and officials to travel to rally competitions within Africa and Europe.

Phineas Kimathi, CEO, WRC Safari Rally said, "These young men have built a name in the big competitions. They are our pride just like our partnership with Kenya Airways who have stood with us over the years."

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## **About Kenya Airways:**

Kenya Airways, a member of the Sky Team Alliance, is a leading African airline flying to 42 destinations worldwide, 35 of which are in Africa. Prior to the COVID pandemic, the airline carried a record number of over five million passengers in 2019. Its fleet comprises of wide body Boeing aircrafts, this includes its

flagship B787 Dreamliner and narrow body Embraer E190 aircraft. The on-board service is renowned and the lie-flat business class seat on the wide-body aircraft is consistently voted among the world's top 10. Kenya Airways takes pride in being at the forefront of connecting Africa to the World and the World to Africa through its hub at the new ultra-modern Terminal 1A at the Jomo Kenyatta International Airport in Nairobi. For more information go to www.kenya-airways.com or call our 24-hour Customer Services Desk: +254 20 327 4747, Twitter: @KenyaAirways, Facebook: KenyaAirways, Instagram: OfficialKenyaAirways

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