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2019 FIA Formula One Socar Azerbaijan Grand Prix – Race – Sunday Weather: sunny and dry, 18-20°C air, 34-42°C track

Azerbaijan - Un point !

Frédéric Vasseur, Team Principal Alfa Romeo Racing and CEO Sauber Motorsport AG:

"As happy we've been after yesterday's qualifying, the more disappointed we are after the race. One point I call damage limitation, but to be honest it could have been more. The bad news came this morning regarding Kimi's front wing. It was a marginal error with the deflection - on Antonio's car the same front wing with the same specification was fine – but the consequence was that we had to change the specification and Kimi had to start from the pit lane. And as surprisingly there was no safety car this time, we were stuck in traffic with both cars, and whilst both Kimi and Antonio did a good job, our race was compromised."

Kimi Räikkönen (car number 7):

Alfa Romeo Racing C38 (Chassis 02/Ferrari)

Result: 10th. Start on soft tyres and after 8 laps change to medium tyres

"Not an easy weekend for us. Wasn't the plan to start from the pit lane but it is what it is, so one point is kind of the maximum we could achieve today. We pitted earlier to get out of the traffic but then I struggled for the whole race with switching the tyres on. Bit disappointed as I was expecting a lot more but I have the feeling that the next race will be easier for us."

Antonio Giovinazzi (car number 99):

Alfa Romeo Racing C38 (Chassis 03/Ferrari)

Result: 12th. Start on soft tyres and after 7 laps change to medium tyres

"It was a challenging race. We started from P17 on the grid due to my 10-place penalty. I lost too much time to stay out in the first stint and got stuck in traffic. It's a shame because I had a good pace but unfortunately there was no safety car and I couldn't challenge for a place in Top Ten. Now I have to stay focused and keep working for the next race in Barcelona."

Media information:

All press content from the weekend in Baku is available at the following link: https://bit.ly/2GC909T

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