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Allan McNish, Racing Director: "First of all, congratulations to Kimi Antonelli for securing the world championship. It's a remarkable performance at such young age. For us, it has been a challenging weekend overall here in Mexico City. The altitude places particular demands on the cars, and the whole team worked extremely hard to make sure we had both cars running reliably and able to fight for points at the end. In reality, it was a race of two halves. Nico was in contention throughout, but unfortunately the red flag came at the wrong moment for him to make his strategy work. On the other side, it brought Gabi back into the fight, and he made the most of that opportunity. Although he ultimately finished just outside the points in P11, it was a very strong performance, particularly given the limited running he had in free practice sessions. There is plenty to learn from this weekend, but also credit due to everyone for pulling together through some difficult circumstances. Now we head straight to Brazil, Gabi's home race."

Commented [RV1]: A demanding weekend in Mexico City, but a real team effort throughout. Both drivers fought hard in a race where the red flag changed everything. Nico was unfortunate with the timing, while Gabi made the most of his chance to fight back to P11.

Huge credit to everyone for pulling together in difficult circumstances. Plenty to learn, but also positives to take forward. Now it's straight on to Brazil and a special home race for Gabi.

Nico Hulkenberg (Car 27):
Race result: 16th
Fastest lap: 1:20.732 (Lap 70)
Strategy & Pit Stops: Start (New Medium) - Lap 31 (New Soft) - Lap 45 (Used Soft) - Lap 59 (Used Soft)

"It was a tough afternoon for us. We struggled with temperatures throughout, which made it difficult to really get into a position to fight. At the second start, I got a bit too close to Ollie into Turn 4, lost some front downforce and couldn't stop the car in time. Obviously not intentional, apologies to him and the Haas team.

"All in all, not the smoothest weekend for us as a team. A few things to look into and understand, but with Brazil just around the corner, we'll take what we can from this one, reset and go again.

"Finally, a massive congratulations to Kimi [Antonelli] on becoming world champion. A huge achievement and very well deserved."

Gabriel Bortoleto (Car 5)
Race result: 11th
Fastest lap: 1:20.872 (Lap 55)
Start (New Medium) - Lap 38 (New Soft) - Lap 45 (Used Soft)

“I think all in all, we had a decent race, which was encouraging, especially considering we had almost no data after the issues we had throughout the practice sessions. That also meant we were going in a bit blind when it came to tyre management and setup, so overall, P11 is an okay result, even if it is obviously a little frustrating to finish just outside the points.

“Now we head to my home race in Brazil, which I am really looking forward to. Interlagos should suit our car, and if we can put together a clean weekend, unlike the one we had here, hopefully we can fight for some good points in front of my home crowd. That would be a positive way to wrap up these three weeks on the road.”

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About Audi Revolut F1 Team

Audi Revolut F1 Team is the official factory team of Audi, as the brand enters the FIA Formula 1 World Championship for the first time in 2026. This project, in which Audi will create its own hybrid drive system ('power unit') developed in Germany, represents the ultimate expression of the manufacturer's 'Vorsprung durch Technik' philosophy and embodies a long-term commitment to compete at the pinnacle of motorsport with the clear objective of challenging for world championships by 2030. Audi Revolut F1 Team is based in three locations: the power unit is developed by Audi Formula Racing GmbH at the Audi Competence Center Motorsport in Neuburg, Germany; the chassis is engineered and race operations are managed from the state-of-the-art facilities of Audi Motorsport AG in Hinwil, Switzerland; while the Audi Motorsport Technology Centre UK in Bicester, United Kingdom, provides a foothold in the heart of 'Motorsport Valley', with direct access to top F1 talent and key strategic partners. This integrated structure provides complete control over the project, embedding a culture of precision, innovation, and relentless performance. Audi's entry is strategically timed to coincide with new Formula 1 regulations focused on increased electrification, as the electric share of the hybrid drive is raised to almost 50%, and the introduction of 100% sustainable fuels. The entry into Formula 1, one of the most important platforms in the world, serves as a high-tech catalyst for the entire Audi brand, acting as a global stage to demonstrate technological leadership and connect with new, diverse audiences by creating cultural impact that resonates far beyond the race track.