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Welcome to the first edition of **F2 Briefing** for 2021.

Ladies and Gentlemen

I hope this note finds you and those dear to you well.

I must apologise for the absence of news or updates on our prospects for racing this year. In the last couple of weeks I have made several attempts to write an **F2 Briefing** newsletter but the continuing doubt and uncertainty over the possible length of the UK 'lockdown' left me with little to be cheery about. There was enough gloom about without me adding to it. However the announcement on Monday of the 'road map' out of lockdown was a message of hope at last. There is light at the end of the tunnel and it is not an oncoming train.

So I thought, if organised sport returns on the 29th March our season opener at the Donington Masters Historic Racing weekend is a GO! With thirteen drivers already entered I relished the prospect of a very good grid. Why not? Donington is a drivers track, fast corners and challenging elevation changes, a perfect road racing track. Ideally situated in the middle of England it is an easy circuit to get to.

After time spent getting into the detail of the announcement and conversations with others reality rudely pushed aside my happy day

dreaming. Travel restrictions had not been lifted, but would they apply to people travelling to an 'organised sporting event' who were not working at the event? Hotel accommodation is still permitted only for 'working' people and essential travel. So race meeting officials and support and circuit staff were permitted but what about drivers? Campsites will open on the 12th April. Would overnighting in a circuit paddock in a motor home be considered as camping? Questions questions.

These questions and concerns are now being discussed by circuit owners and clubs and MSUK. I am very hopeful a way forward will be found. It is likely some of you have been testing recently and you may have experience of some of the issues above. If you do I would appreciate you letting me know. I would also like to hear your interpretation of the announcement and what decisions you have made or are likely to make in view of these questions.

Without wishing to sound too gloomy I think without specific Government guidance on these issues our Donington event presently remains at best possible rather than probable.

I take comfort from knowing that race promoters, motor sport clubs and circuit owners are united in common cause. Like you, we all want to Go Racing!

Given the Government seems determined to see the lockdown through to a successful

conclusion there is little prospect of the UK restriction on non-essential overseas travel being lifted until the planned date of 17th May. So presently irrespective of any European mainland entry restrictions, it seems unlikely travel to our Hockenheim event from UK will be possible.

It seems I cannot avoid continuing the theme of doubt and uncertainty with which I opened this note. I know racing will resume. Right now it seems the yellow lights have followed the red lights going out. False starts happen.

Let's begin again when we have answers to the questions and confidence is restored.

Until we can all meet again may you all stay well and stay safe.

Kind Regards,

Roger

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