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### **PUMA ambassador George Russell enjoys Miami lifestyle by speedboat and hoops session with NBA player Isaiah Stewart**

**Herzogenaurach, Germany – 5 May 2022** — PUMA ambassador and Mercedes-AMG Petronas Formula One Team driver George Russell has been soaking up the unique stateside lifestyle of Miami ahead of the inaugural Miami Grand Prix. In a basketball training session with NBA player Isaiah Stewart both athletes discussed their promising careers.

Before the speed and excitement of round five of the 2022 FIA Formula One World Championship, PUMA invited George Russell on a unique day tour to get a taste of Miami life and culture.

Starting off with an adrenaline kick of a high-powered speedboat, Georg Russell had the chance to check out the shores of South Beach, mansions of Star Island, and a panorama of the downtown Miami skyline.

From the harbor, George went directly to the unique sights of the downtown Wynwood Art District, passing by the iconic large-scale art works created by some of the world’s best-known street artists.

George Russell: *“I think the city is really unique. It’s my first time here and you see how vibrant this place is, especially in this neighborhood. To come out here, experience the weather, which is great always, and see the culture is pretty special.”*

In Wynwood, the Formula One driver had the chance to meet NBA player and PUMA Hoops athlete Isaiah Stewart - who currently plays as a Power Forward position for the Detroit Pistons – and to get a training session in basketball. Both athletes sat together to exchange experiences and thoughts on their rising careers as youngsters in their sports.

George Russell: *„For me when I was growing up I was always the youngest and you go through this journey and I was always competing against older people and now suddenly I got to the top of Formula One and you go against the best in the business and it doesn’t matter your age, you know, you got to get down to it and you got to perform.”*

Isaiah Stewart: *“Growing up, I’ve always looked up to a few basketball players and, you know, to finally share the court and play against them, it’s surreal. Though once you go out it is definitely a nice time to compete against those basketball players you have been idolizing back in the days.”*

Currently placed fourth in the championship, Russell is heading into the first-ever Miami Grand Prix with extreme focus and the promise of continued push for results, with the Silver Arrows team bringing some updates to his Mercedes-AMG F1 W13 E Performance car for the coming races.

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