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Di Giannantonio triumphs in the chaos of the CatalanGP

MotoGP Di Giannantonio Wins in Barcelona

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USPA NEWS - A heroic victory on a Sunday marked by crashes and red flags

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On 17 May 2026, at the Circuit de Barcelona–Catalunya, the air was as heavy as before a summer storm. The roar of the MotoGP bikes bounced off the grandstands, yet more than once it was smothered by an abrupt, unsettling silence — the kind that falls when the track stops being an arena and becomes a fragile, vulnerable place.

It was a harsh Grand Prix, emotionally lacerating, one of those races that forces you to remember how this sport can be both magnificent and merciless at the same time. And yet, right in the middle of that tension, Fabio Di Giannantonio found the strength to turn chaos into a work of art.

Two red flags, a broken race, an unbroken rider

The race was stopped twice due to crashes that shook the paddock and froze the crowd. It hurts to see so many riders involved. It hurts to witness such severe consequences. It hurts to remember that every corner, every braking point, every overtake carries a risk that can never be ignored.

In the second restart, when the tension felt almost physical, Di Giannantonio displayed a rare composure. He rode like someone who knows that speed is not just courage, but also listening — listening to the bike, to the grip, to the breath of the circuit.

Every corner entry was a brushstroke. Every exit an act of trust. Every lap a step toward history.

The result was a masterpiece:

- Second MotoGP victory
- First with the Pertamina Enduro VR46 Racing Team
- A clear message to the 2026 Championship

VR46 on top of 2026

For the Pertamina Enduro VR46 Racing Team, this victory is far more than a trophy. It is the confirmation of a project that has found identity, speed, technical maturity, and human depth.

The bike responded with surgical precision. The garage worked with absolute clarity. Fabio turned all of it into a perfect symphony.

The team now rises firmly into the top three of the standings, a result that speaks of:

- work
- vision
- determination
- constant growth

A victory that weighs like a cornerstone in the construction of a dream.

A Grand Prix that leaves a mark

The 2026 Catalan GP will be remembered for two opposite yet intertwined reasons:

- the harshness of the images seen on track
- the light ignited by Di Giannantonio's victory

It was a painful reminder of the fragility of this sport, of its fierce beauty, of the thin line that separates triumph from tragedy.

And yet, right in the heart of the storm, Fabio found his perfect trajectory. He won with courage, with intelligence, with heart. A victory that moves, that shakes, that tells the story of a rider on the rise.

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