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ALEX LYNN TO CONTINUE AS WILLIAMS DEVELOPMENT DRIVER FOR THE 2016 SEASON

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WILLIAMS MARTINI RACING is pleased to confirm that Alex Lynn will be continuing as the Williams Development Driver for the 2016 Formula One World Championship season, a position he held throughout 2015 alongside his GP2 commitments.

Alex had a positive first season with Williams, undertaking a significant simulator programme and full immersion project with the team, which included an official Formula One test in Barcelona. In his continuing role, Alex will be given time to focus on mounting a serious title challenge in his second season of GP2, in conjunction with working in the factory to support the development of the team's race cars. Alex will also take part in various marketing activities for Williams Martini Racing.

Alex began his single-seater career in Formula Renault UK, dominating the 2011 championship with a record 12 wins from 20 race starts. He was subsequently named British Club Driver of the Year at the Autosport Awards. Two successful seasons in Formula 3 followed including the 2013 FIA European Championship where he claimed third in the overall standings and was crowned Rookie Champion. Alex ended the year with a dominant victory in the coveted Macau F3 Grand Prix. In 2014, Alex wrapped up the GP3 title with a record points margin before graduating last year to the GP2 Championship for his debut season, finishing sixth with two pole positions and two race wins.

Commenting on the announcement Alex Lynn said: "I am really delighted to continue in my Development Driver role with the team this season and remain grateful for their on-going support. I relish the opportunity to build on the hard work I put in last year, to continue helping develop the Formula One car and gaining further knowledge of the inner workings of the Williams team from both a technical and human perspective.

"With the team's blessing and support, my main focus this season will be to fight for the GP2 title. I am determined to prove myself worthy of graduating to become a fully-fledged Formula One race driver at some point in the not too distant future."

Claire Williams, Deputy Team Principal of Williams, said; "After a really encouraging first season with the team, we are pleased to be able to continue working with Alex in 2016. Alex played an important role in helping develop

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the team's race cars in 2015, while at the same time demonstrating his talent with a strong debut season in GP2. We're looking forward to seeing him progress this year, both within the team and as he fights for the GP2 title."

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