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**Nur B. Ali to Drive for A1 Team Pakistan in the  
A1 Grand Prix World Cup of Motorsport**

Dallas, Texas, February 27, 2005 – **Nur B. Ali**, two-time Southwest Formula Mazda Regional Series Champion, was announced today as the driver for A1 Team Pakistan in the A1 Grand Prix World Cup of Motorsport. The 30-year-old Ali is the only Pakistani professional driver on any auto racing circuit. The announcement in Lahore, Pakistan was attended by Pakistani President General Pervez Musharraf.

“Becoming part of the A1 Grand Prix championship is the culmination of a childhood dream to compete professionally on the track. This is a huge opportunity to show the world that Pakistan can compete in professional motorsport,” stated Ali.

“In many ways, I’m just a small town guy who is very excited to race in this series against other professional drivers from more than 23 countries,” continued Ali.

Ali has received tremendous acclaim from his homeland in Pakistan. In June 2003, Ali was invited to Los Angeles for a dinner with President Musharraf, who recognized him by stating,

**“...the country of Pakistan is proud to have a young person who is making a name for himself in the United States.”**

A1 Grand Prix was founded by His Highness Sheikh Maktoum Hasher Maktoum Al Maktoum of Dubai and differs from other racing series because it pits driver against driver in *identical* A1 Grand Prix cars. These sleek, sophisticated cars with 550 BHP engines will roar around the track during weekend racing events beginning in September of 2005.

Nur B. Ali was born in Pakistan and moved to the United States in 1983. He is a graduate of American University in Washington D.C. and interned under U.S. Congressman Joe Barton, R-Texas. Shortly after graduation he attended the Skip Barber Racing School in the first step toward becoming a professional driver.

Nur B. Ali has been racing professionally for seven years and has raced throughout Europe and the U.S. The two-time Southwest Formula Mazda Regional Series Champion also competed in the Skip Barber Southern Race Series. He lives in Euless, Texas just outside Dallas, with his wife, Farah, who is a certified public accountant.

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