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YACHTING: Round the World Race

Intrum breaks own 24-hour record

SOUTHAMPTON—European yacht Intrum Justitia broke its own 24-hour world record yesterday as it increased its lead on the fourth leg of the Whitbread Round the World Race.

Intrum Justitia, a Whitbread 60 captained by Britain's Lawrie Smith, covered 428.7 nautical miles in a 24-

hour period, beating the record of 425 miles it set during leg No. 2.

On the third day of the 5 900-mile leg from Auckland, New Zealand, to Punta del Este, Uruguay, Intrum Justitia led second-place Tokio by 18 miles.

The leading boat in the Maxi class, New Zealand En-

deavor, was 62 miles adrift, 26 miles ahead of its nearest rival, La Poste of France.

Tokio held the overall lead in the race after three legs, with New Zealand Endeavour first among the Maxis.

The 32 000-mile, six-leg race is scheduled to finish in Southampton in July. — (Sapa-AP)