Request for Redress

1. Event Name: 2019 Rolex Fastnet Race Protest On: 2019-08-08 Race No: 1

2. Hearing Type

Protest	Reopening by PC
Protest by RC	Request to Reopen
Protest by PC	Request for Redress
Protest by TC	Request for Redress by RC

3. Protestor

IRC - IRC Two - GBR1859L - Sfida - Team Snok - Peter Westerlund

4. Protestees

1. Race Committee

5. Incident

Time Place: After finish Rules: SI and NOR Witnesses:

6. Informing Protestee

- Hail: Hail When:
 - Hail Comment:
- Red Flag:

Red Flag Comment

Other:

Other Comment:

7. Description Of Incident

My name is Lars Eklund, navigator on board "SFIDA". I represent the whole team.

Thank you for a lovely event a true memory for life.

We as a team want to make it clear that we are not happy with the harsh penalty. We did have a very last minute change of one crew member due to sickness.

We are devastated by this post race issue. So is the yacht owner Mr Williams.

We are serious and honest sailors from Sweden and Tanzania and we would not intentionally break any rules or instructions, that would only hurt us. The penalty is too harsh for the team that has spent so much time, money and put in so much dedication and passion to reach this good result.

We were 10 persons signed up. 10 persons was stated in the SMS.

10 persons returned to the Finish line.

We have not gained any competitive sort of benefit due to this change.

We do now understand the the Sailgate should have been updated too. We re very sorry for not being able to do that and that we missed that at the time, we do now understand the implications around that too. The Skipper and the team has learnt the lesson as this issue has put tremendous stress on all of us the last days. We do hope that is enough penalty for us and that you give us full redress for the race as such. Again, we did not gain any competitive edge. Other boats entering the TSS got redress after explaining the background more in depth so we hope for the same understanding of our case after giving this report.

During the hearing with our Skipper it was not clear to him what was discussed exactly, his English is poor, he was stressed as he had been sent off to refuel the boat at the wrong place. He said to me today that he had not said he was happy with the penalty decision and we agreed I need to step in to represent the team and make it clear we are very unhappy and we would like to ask for a redress please by the Committee.

My UK number 07775877536

8. Damage Or Injury

Attachments

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