## PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 11: IOM - ESP 11 - Venti - José Vinaixa
IOM - ARG 63 - Sedici - Ricardo Pollono

## VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No
Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit
Incident Identified: Yes
Proper Hail: Protest hailed
Red Flag Displayed: Not required
Decision: Request Valid

## PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1. The hearing was heard with a panel of three members in accordance with RRS N1.4(b).

## FACTS FOUND

1. Conditions: Strong wind, choppy water.
2. ESP 11 was sailing close-hauled on port tack.
3. ARG 63 was sailing on downwind, also on port tack.
4. Both boats were on a collision course bow-to-bow.
5. Contact occurred between the boats and both keels were tangled.
6. No damage occurred.
7. Both boats retired from the heat.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

## CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: RRS 11, 14, 62.1(f)

1. ARG 63 to windward failed to keep clear of ESP 11 to leeward, and broke RRS 11.
2. ARG 63 did not avoid contact when it was reasonably possible, and broke RRS 14.
3. It was not reasonably possible for ESP 11 the right-of-way boat to avoid contact with ARG 63 when it was clear that $X$ was not keeping clear. ESP 11 did not break RRS 14.
4. ESP 11 score in heat 13 B was made significantly worse through no fault of her own by becoming disabled because of the action of ARG 63 that was breaking RRS 11 and took an appropriate penalty.
5. By retiring ARG 63 took the appropriate penalty, as required by E 4.3(c).

## DECISION

Date \& Time:
Redress is given to ESP 11. ESP 11 is to be scored in heat 13 B points equal to the average, rounded to the nearest tenth of a point ( 0.05 to be rounded upward), of her points in all races sailed before the last race in the event, except heat 13 B .

## PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Stavros Kouris (GRE)
Committee Members: Chris Watts (GBR) Mikro Ukas (CRO)

