DECISION Request No.: 03

#### **Protest**

Event: 2023 EurlLCA Europa Cup Slovenia Race Number: 4

Hearing Schedule: 2023-03-25 17:15

### **PARTIES AND WITNESSES**

Request No.: 03: ILCA4 - CRO 211950 - Šime BOSNA RUSKOVIĆ

ILCA4 - CRO 211885 - Josip TAFRA

Witnesses: Zala Vidmar SLO211272

### **VALIDITY**

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Protest hailed

Red Flag Displayed: N/A

**Decision:** Request Valid

#### **PROCEDURAL MATTERS**

### **FACTS FOUND**

- 1. Shortly before the start, 3 ILCA4's with CRO 211885 the most windward boat, an unidentified boat to lee and CRO 211950 the most Leeward boat all on starboard tack and overlapped
- 2. SLO 211272 sailing on starboard entered the gap of 1.5 boat widths between CRO 211885 and an unidentified boat from clear astern.
- 3. There was 1m separation between SLO 211272 and CRO 211885. SLO 211272 was 50cm to windward of the unidentified boat and CRO 211950 was 50cm to lee.
- 4. SLO 211272 was overlapped to leeward of CRO 211885 for 3s, when CRO 211885 eased his main sail, which subsequently made contact with SLO 211272's windex and became tangled.
- 5. CRO 211885 then bore down and made contact with SLO 211272, the unidentified boat and CRO 211950's hull.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

## **CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY**

Rules: 11, 14

- 1. CRO 211885 to windward failed to keep clear of SLO 211272 to leeward, and broke RRS 11.
- 2. CRO 211885 did not avoid contact when it was reasonably possible, and broke RRS 14.
- 3. It was not reasonably possible for SLO 211272 & CRO 211950, the right-of-way boat to avoid contact with CRO 211885 when it was clear that CRO 211885 was not keeping clear. SLO 211272 & CRO 211950 did not break RRS 14.

## **DECISION**

CRO 211885 is DSQ in race 4

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# PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Peter Thomas Hansen (NOR)

Committee Members: Patric Loydell (RSA), Zlatko Jakelic (CRO), Heiko Thoelmann (GER), Uros Zvan (SLO)

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