

DECISION

Request No.: 16

Protest

Event: Mussanah Open Championship 2021 Race Number: 9
Hearing Date: 2021-04-07

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 16: Laser - Standard - 208191 - Vishnu - Vishnu Saravanan
Laser STD - THA 213137 - Arthit Mikhail Romanyk

Witnesses: Jury

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

No observers were allowed in keeping with the COVID-19 protocol.

FACTS FOUND

1. IND 208197 on the outside and THA 213137 on the inside entered the zone overlapped, both on starboard tack.
2. THA 213137 gybed doing a wide entry and narrow exit at the mark.
3. IND 208191 gybed outside THA 213137.
4. There was no contact.
5. Neither boat took a penalty.
6. THA 213137 finished 8, IND 208191 finished 12 and THA 217424 finished 13.
7. Finishing positions of THA 213137 were usually between 5 and 9, and in today's races he finished ahead of the THA top sailor.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: RRS 18.2 (b)

1. IND 208191, outside overlapped at the zone, gave THA 213137 mark-room, and complied with RRS 18.2(b).
2. By finishing ahead of THA 217427 in races 9 and 10, it was evident that THA 213137 was sailing her own race.
3. There was no evidence to prove that THA 213137 sailed to benefit THA 217427 to the detriment of her own position.

DECISION

The protest is dismissed.

Date & Time: 2021-04-07 17:50 +04

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Leonard Chin (MAS)

Committee Members: Markus Schwendtner (GER), Paul Schilizzi (GRE), Ali Ambusaidi (OMA), saleh AL Jabri (OMA)