

# DECISION

Request Number: 03

Protest

Event: SLVYRA Good Neighbour Series 2019 Race Number: S4R1

Hearing Date: 2019-07-04

## PARTIES AND WITNESSES

**Initiator:** Laser 28 - PHRF I & II - RStLYC 214 - Decompression - Paul White

**Respondent(s):** Laser 28 - PHRF I & II - RStLYC 209 - UHU - Dick Steffen

**Witnesses:** Representative for 214 Bill Layton

## VALIDITY

**Objection to Jury:** No

**Within Time Limit:** Within Time Limit

**Incident Identified:** Yes

**Proper Hail:** Protest hailed

**Red Flag Displayed:** Yes

**DECISION:** Request Valid

## PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Paul White (owner, not present at time of incident) admitted as an observer

## FACTS FOUND

Wind was 20 knots

Laser 28 #214 was sailing close hauled on starboard tack.

Laser 28 #209 was sailing close hauled on port on a collision course with 214

209 bore off sharply and passed close to leeward of 214

Contact occurred between the masts causing damage to 214

209 took a penalty

The race was subsequently abandoned

**Diagram:** Diagram not endorsed

## CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

209 on port tack did not keep clear of 214 on starboard breaking RRS 10 and RRS 14

It was not reasonably possible for 214 to avoid contact

## DECISION

The race was abandoned

No further penalty to be applied

**Date & Time:** 2019-07-04 22:00 EDT

## PROTEST COMMITTEE

**Chaired By:** Michael Anderson (CAN)

**Committee Members:** Joe Jospe (CAN) Thomas Egli, Peter Kelley

**Written Decision Requested By:** Laser 214, Paul White

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