

DECISION

Request No.: 02

Protest

Event: 7th CISM World Military Games 2019 Race Number: 2

Hearing Date: 2019-10-20

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 02: 470 (Mixed) - ITA - 11 - Bianca Caruso

470 (Mixed) - FRA - 7 - LEFORT Marina

Witnesses: Leonard Chin - Jury

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

No Conflicts of Interest to declare and no objection to any members of the panel.

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit Protest time limit was 1418h and the protest was lodged at 1410h.

Incident Identified: Yes

During first upwind of Race 2, ITA was fetching windward on starboard. FRA tacked and entered the space between ITA and mark, and ITA had to change course to avoid contact.

Proper Hail: Protest hailed

"Protest" was hailed at the first reasonable opportunity.

Red Flag Displayed: Not required

DECISION: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1. Parties have had reasonable time to prepare for the hearing.
2. Finishing vessel informed as soon as possible after finishing as per SI 17.1.
3. Parties represented by: FRA (Helm) - Marina Lefort, ITA (Crew) - Bianca

FACTS FOUND

- 1) The wind speed was averaging about 3 knots and the state of the water was calm.
- 2) ITA on starboard tack and FRA on port tack were both on a close-hauled converging course sailing towards Mark 1 on Leg 1 of Race 2.
- 3) When ITA was in the zone of Mark 1, FRA at about 1 boat-length from Mark 1 tacked to starboard and was slightly below the starboard tack layline.
- 4) ITA and FRA instantly became overlapped with FRA to leeward and ITA to windward, with FRA slightly ahead.
- 5) ITA was on the starboard tack layline fetching the mark, FRA had to luff above close-hauled to round the mark.
- 6) ITA luffed above close-hauled to avoid contact with FRA.
- 7) FRA rounded the mark ahead of ITA.
- 8) There was no contact and neither boat took a penalty.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

After passing head to wind from port tack to starboard tack inside the zone, FRA caused ITA on starboard tack to sail above close-hauled to avoid contact, and broke RRS 18.3.

DECISION

FRA is DSQ in Race 2.
(Started: 1500h, Finished: 1526h)

Date & Time: 2019-10-20 15:26 CST

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Xiaolong XU (CHN)

Committee Members: Qu Chun (CHN), Natalia Chubenko (RUS), Leonard Chin (MAS), Jerrold Ng (SGP) [Scribe: Jerrold Ng]

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