DECISION Protest

Event: Kieler Woche 2019 Race Number: 6 Hearing Date: 2019-06-23

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Initiator: Flying Dutchman - GER 84 - Uwe Bredthauer

Respondent(s): Flying Dutchman - CZE 17 - Milan Čáp

Interpreters: Pavel Neuzil (for CZE 17)

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

The hearing started at the scheduled time without CZE 17 being present; when CZE 17 representative arrived, he was admitted to the hearing.

FACTS FOUND

- 1. The wind was 14 knots and the sea was calm.
- 2. GER 84 and CZE 17 where both sailing close hauled on port tack on the first upwind leg.
- 3. GER 84 was clear astern and to windward of CZE 17
- 4. The distance between the hulls was 5 meters.
- 5. CZE 17 tacked to starboard and GER 84 bore away.
- 6. CZE 17 port quarter collided with GER 84 hull on the port side between the bow and the mast.
- 7. Damage occurred to GER 84: the hull was punctured in two places.
- 8. No damage occurred on CZE 17.
- 9. Nobody took any penalty.

10. Both boats finished the race.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

- 1. When acquiring right of way, CZE 17 failed to initially give GER 84 room to keep clear as required by RRS 15.
- 2. Although it was reasonably possible, CZE 17 did not avoid contact with GER 84 as required by RRS 14.
- 3. It was not reasonably possible for GER 84 to avoid contact.

DECISION

CZE 17 is scored DSQ in race 6

Date & Time: 2019-06-23 16:27 CEST

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Manuel Ken Gamito (POR) Committee Members: Giorgio Davanzo (ITA), Steven Wolff (USA), Holger Herburger (GER), Jesper Wilken (DEN)

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