

DECISION

Request Number: 01

Protest

Event: 2018 Youth Olympic Games Qualification, North America & Caribbean - South and Central America **Race Number:** 1, 2, 3

Hearing Date: 2018-01-19

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Initiator: SA G - ARG 230 - Adela Mendoza

Respondent(s): SA G - VEN 246 - Maria Valentina Alvarez Villarroel

Witnesses: Leonardo Estredo - representing the protestee

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Beyond with Good Reason

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Hail not required

Red Flag Displayed: Not required

DECISION: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

FACTS FOUND

On registration day, VEN 246 presented the OA with a selection of boards and asked which one was valid. The representative of the OA pointed out an F1 board and VEN 246 competed using that board on the first three races of the competition. On the morning of the third day of competition, the OA asked VEN 246 to find a valid board. Following that, VEN 246 registered an Axis Limited board and competed with that board in races 4 and 5.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

VEN 246 sailed in races 1, 2 and 3 with unregistered equipment breaking class rule C1.1(a)(1)

VEN 246 sailed with a registered board in races 4 and 5

VEN 246 thought that the board she was using in races 1, 2, and 3 was registered equipment due to the confirmation from the OA.

It was the responsibility of VEN 246 to comply with class rules according to rule 78.1

DECISION

Date & Time: 2018-01-19 12:13 CST

VEN 246 will receive a penalty of 70% in races 1, 2 and 3 but her score shall not be made worse than disqualification from those races.

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Francisco Jauregui (MEX)

Committee Members: Marton Beliczay (HUN), Elliot Levy (USA), Marina Psychogyiou (GRE)

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