**DECISION**Request No.: 03

**Protest** 

Event: ODC2019 Race Number: 6

Hearing Date: 2019-09-22

#### **PARTIES AND WITNESSES**

Request No.: 03: LASER STANDARD - NED 211003 - Thomas van Ofwegen

LASER STANDARD - NED 211326 - Erik Voets

## **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 is in English, because there are two English speaking judges on the panel

## **FACTS FOUND**

- 1. In race 6, after the start, 10-12 knots of wind, choppy seastead.
- 2. NED 211003 is sailing on starboard tack and NED 211326 on port tack on converging course.
- 3. 211003 bore away about 1 boat length from 211326 to go behind.
- 4. 211326 did not alter course.
- 5. There was a collision between the nose of 211003 and the back, where the "team NL" sticker is, of 211326.
- 6. There was a scratch on the back of 211326.
- 7. No boat took a penalty.

**Diagram:** Endorsed by Protest Committee

#### **CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY**

- 1. NED 211326 on port failed to keep clear of NED 211003 on starboard, as required by RRS 10
- 2. It was not reasonably possible for NED 211003, the right-of-way boat, to avoid contact with NED 211326 when it was clear that NED 211326 was not keeping clear, as stated in RRS 14.

# DECISION

NED 211326 is DSQ in race 6.

#### PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Leo Pieter Stoel (NED)

Committee Members: Mina Stanikic (SRB), Nicole de By (NED), Cordelia Procter (GBR)

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