**DECISION**Request Number: 9

**Protest** 

Event: Hydrofoil Pro Tour - La Ventana Race Number: 3 Silver

Hearing Date: 2016-03-23

**PARTIES AND WITNESSES** 

Initiator: #47 Amil Kabil

Respondent(s): #31 Andrew McManus

**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**

## **FACTS FOUND**

- 1. #47 was on a starboard tack approaching the windward mark on the first leg.
- 2. #31 was on a port tack on a collision course with #47.
- 3. #31 began to tack just to leeward of #47 and their kites tangled.
- 4. Both boats capsized and neither was able to complete the race.
- 5. #47's kite was damaged such that it could not be repaired before the next race.
- 6. #47 attempted to get to shore and use his smaller kite for the next race, but there was not enough wind to fly the smaller kite.
- 7. #47 could not make the start of race 4 and did not finish.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

## **CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY**

#31 did not keep clear of #47 while tacking and broke RRS 13.

#31 did not avoid contact with #47 and broke RRS 14

#47's score in Race 3 and Race 4 was made significantly worse through no fault of her own because of the action of #31.

**Date & Time:** 2016-03-23 16:39 PDT

Protest Upheld

<span style="color: rgb(51, 51, 51);">No further penalty shall be imposed on #31 as she retired.<br/>
#47 shall be given redress for races 3 and 4 in the form of average points based on races 1, 2, 5 and 6./span>

**PROTEST COMMITTEE** 

Chaired By: Paul Zupan (USA)

Committee Members: Rafael Zarazua (MEX), Paul Zupan (USA)

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