DECISION Request No.: 12

# **Protest**

Event: Sun Hung Kai & Co. Hong Kong Race Week 2024 Race Number: 3

Hearing Schedule: 2024-02-03 17:30

# **PARTIES AND WITNESSES**

Request No.: 12: Optimist - Main - CHN 7016 - Mu Yun Chen

Optimist - Main - HKG 228 - Alexandra Jill Yam

Witnesses: Han Ming Shen (for CHN7016), Lucien Cohen-Addd (for

HKG228)

Interpreters: Chao Wang

### **VALIDITY**

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Protest hailed

Red Flag Displayed: N/A

**Decision:** Request Valid

#### PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Observers: Cynthia Law, Chan Wai Kei (Supporter), Luke Van Der Kamp (Coach)

# **FACTS FOUND**

- 1. Both boats were on a beat to windward towards the finish line.
- 2. CHN7016 was on starboard and HKG228 was on port tack on a converging course.
- 3. HKG228 tacked to starboard tack in front of CHN7016.
- 4. HKG228 completed her tack half a meter clear ahead of CHN7016.
- 5. After HKG228 completed her tack, CHN7016 luffed and then tacked.
- 6. There was no contact.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

# **CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY**

**Rules:** RRS 15, 12

When HKG228 acquired right of way by tacking and became clear ahead of CHN7016, she initially gave CHN7016 room to keep clear as required by RRS15,

CHN7016r, clear astern boat, kept clea of HKG228, clear ahead boat, as required by RRS12,

No rule broken by either boat.

**Date & Time:** 2024-02-03 18:11 HKT

The protest is dismissed.

## **PROTEST COMMITTEE**

Committee Type Protest Committee Chaired By: Alain Choi (HKG)

Committee Members: Benjamin Harding (HKG), Rut Subniran (THA), Masaaki Tanaka (JPN), Cathy Delany-Hobbs (NZL)

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