# DECISION

Protest

Event: 69th Regata dei Tre Golfi Race Number: 1 Hearing Schedule: 2024-05-19 12:00

### PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 01: 3GSW - Class C (9.630 > CDL > 8000) - ITA ITA 14696 - PARALLELO 38 NL - Enzo Ricordo

3GSW - Class C (9.630 > CDL > 8000) - ITA ITA 195 - SOULAIMA ALA SPA - Davide Russo

Witnesses: Tracking di yellow brick

### VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

**Proper Hail:** Protest hailed Beyond hailing distance. The protestee was informed via phone call and WhatsApp.

Red Flag Displayed: Yes

Decision: Request Valid

### **PROCEDURAL MATTERS**

- 1. The hearing was held online.
- 2. The panel of the International Jury was composed in accordance with RRS N1.4(b).
- 3. ITA 14696 Parallelo was represented by Enzo Ricordo.
- 4. ITA 195 Soulaima was represented by Davide Russo.
- 5. Davide Foti (navigator on ITA 14696) presented tracking evidence as a witness during the hearing for ITA 14696
- 6. Stuart Childerley (PRO) presented evidence as a witness during the hearing.

## FACTS FOUND

- 1. After finishing the race, ITA 14696 (Parallelo) checked the Yellow brick tracking system and realized that the system showed ITA 195 (Soulaima) crossing through the exclusion zone of the scoglio di Vetara.
- ITA 14696 used the information received from their individual GPS tracking to cross reference and calculate the route of ITA 195.
- 3. The Yellow brick tracking is composed by sequential segments of GPS received data within a period of time. The tracking system then reconstructs the course of a boat after taking into consideration the information received.
- 4. Yellow brick tracking information is updated on the application every 75 minutes.
- 5. The input of the position of the marks into the Yellow brick tracking were made by the Latitude and Longitude mentioned in the Sailing Instructions. The Sailing Instructions used the nautical navigational charts to establish the coordinates of the exclusion zones.
- 6. When ITA 195 passed the scoglio di Vetara, ITA 14696 was not within a distance that she could see the other boat.
- 7. The Yellow brick tracking system showed various boats tracks passing over land masses along the course.
- The Race Committee did not consider any of the boats to have crossed inside the exclusion zones, given the insufficient accuracy of the tracking system.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

#### CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY Rules: RRS N1.4(b), SI 9.1 and SI Appendix A

While racing, ITA 195 neither entered nor sailed in the exclusion zone of the scoglio di Vetara, according to SI Appendix A.

DECISION

The protest is dismissed.

Date & Time: 2024-05-19 13:12 CEST

#### PROTEST COMMITTEE Committee Type International Jury Chaired By: Timo Haß () Committee Members: Stavros Kouris (GRE), Neven Baran (CRO)

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