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Protest time limit 14:36

Protest, or request for redress or reopening, is within time limit  Time limit extended

Protestor, or party requesting redress or reopening, represented by Stuart Bethell GBR 6

Other party, or boat being considered for redress, represented by

Names of witnesses

Interpreters

Remarks

Objection about interested party

Written protest or request identifies incident

'Protest' hailed at first reasonable opportunity

No hail needed; protestee informed at first reasonable opportunity

Red flag conspicuously displayed at first reasonable opportunity

Protest or request valid; hearing will continue  Protest or request invalid; hearing is closed

**FACTS FOUND**

1. 30 seconds after the start of race 6, there was an incident between GBR 6 on starboard tack and AUS 3 and ARG 767 on port tack.
2. GBR 6's wing sustained a hole deep into the foam core.
3. GBR 6 was unable to stand normally on the port wing.
4. GBR raced and finished all 3 races.

Diagram of boat is endorsed by committee  Committee's diagram is attached

**CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY** The damage to GBR 6 was determined to be serious damage. The PC protested GBR 6, AUS 3 and ARG 767 under rule 60.3(a)(1). See Case 15.

Due to the severe structural damage to the wing, GBR 6 was unable to race normally as the crew could not stand on the port wing. In addition, the physical damage affected her ability to proceed in the race at normal speed.

**DECISION**

Protest: dismissed  Boat(s) is (are) disqualified   
penalized as follows  :

Redress: not given  given as follows  : Average points from races 1 through 5 granted to races 6, 7 & 8, with no score worse than the actual finishing place for races 6, 7 & 8.

Request to reopen a hearing: denied  granted

**Protest committee chairman and other members** Alan Baser GBR, Douglas Sloan, USA, Alfredo Ricci ITA, Gonzalo Heredia ARG, Juan Duarte ARG

Chairman's signature .....

Date and time 18/11/2015 17:32