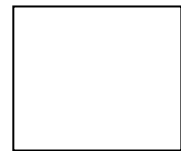


Decision of Protest Committee



Protest Number: 7

Protest Heard With:

Date of Hearing: 16th December 2016

Regatta: 46th Aon Youth Sailing World Championship 2016

Organising Authority: World Sailing

Date of Incident: 16th December 2016

Race Number: 2 Nacra

Boat Protesting, or Requesting redress or Reopening: **Race Committee**

Boat(s) Protested: **ARG, AUS, AUT, BEL, BRA, CHN, DEN, FRA, GBR, GER, ITA, NZL, POL**

Representatives: Protestor: Christophe Gaumont
Protestee: ARG (Agustina), AUS (Kyle), AUS (Angelika), BEL (Isaura), DEN (Anna), FRA (Mourniac), GER (Alica), ITA (Gianluigi), POL (Tymoteuzs)
Witnesses:

Validity: Protest valid, hearing continued

Facts Found: 1. The course to be sailed was LA2. RC made a change of course at the gate, signaling it with "C" flag "+" and sound signals. The new windward marks (pink) were laid before the first boat rounded the gate. The new pink marks were laid 0,1 NM to windward of the original marks. There was a big aluminum boat and two ribs around the old marks. The RC did not remove the old marks from the water because there were some competitors that have not rounded them yet. After rounding the gate ARG, AUS, AUT, BEL, BRA, CHN, DEN, FRA, GBR, GER, ITA, NZL and POL sailed to the blue windward marks (old ones) and rounded them, then they sailed directly to the finish line and finished. CHN did not finish the race.

Diagram: None

Conclusions: By failing to round the new windward marks (pink ones) ARG, AUS, AUT, BEL, BRA, CHN, DEN, FRA, GBR, GER, ITA, NZL and POL did not sail the course and therefore broke rule 28.2.

Rules that Apply: RRS 63.3 (b), RRS 28.2, RRS33.

Decision: ARG, AUS, AUT, BEL, BRA, CHN, DEN, FRA, GBR, GER, ITA, NZL and POL are DSQ in race 2.

Protest Committee: Peter Scheuerl
Andres Perez
Doug Elder

Chairman's Signature:

Date and Time 16th December 2016 at 16:15
Decision Advised: