DECISION

Protest by RC

Heard Jointly With Number(s): 05

Event: Turkish Coast Guard - TAYK/IRC Turkish Championship Race Number: R4 Hearing Schedule: 2022-07-29 17:45

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 04: Race Committee

IRC - 2 - TUR 1508 - Agent - Kaan Mazlumca

Request No.: 05: Protest Committee

IRC - 1 - TUR 1070 - Alize 1070 - Sinan Sumer

Witnesses: Duran Izgan (International Jury)

VALIDITY		
Objection to Jury: No		
Within Time Limit: Within Time	e Limit	
Incident Identified: Yes		
Proper Hail: N/A		
Red Flag Displayed: N/A	Protesee informed by the notice on ONB	
Decision: Request Va	lid	

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1) During the hearing of case #4 International Jury learned that Alize 1070 (TUR 1070) was involved in the incident and that she may have broken a rule. Hearing was closed and International Jury lodged a protest case #5 against Alize 1070 (TUR 1070) in accordance with RRS 60.3 (a)(2).

2) Hearing #4 was heard together with hearing #5 in accordance with RRS 63.2 since both hearings arose from the same incident.

3) RC committee presented a video of the incident.

FACTS FOUND

1) Agent (TUR 1508) and Alize 1070 (TUR 1070) were approaching the starboard starting mark (RC committee vessel) 20 second before the start to start on starboard in wind speed 10 to 11 knots.

2) Boats were sailing above close hauled course.

3) Agent (TUR 1508) established overlapped to windward of Alize 1070 (TUR 1070) when one and half boat length from the RC vessel.

4) Alize 1070 (TUR 1070) luffed slowly. Agent (TUR 1508) sailed faster without changing course.

5) There was approximately a 2m gap between RC vessel and Alize 1070 (TUR 1070).

6) Alize 1070 (TUR 1070) bore away as much as she had room to the next boat to her leeward side and sped up.

7) Agent (TUR 1508) slightly hit with her bow the starboard side of Alize 1070 (TUR 1070). No damage occurred due to this contact. Agent (TUR 1508) also hit the stern of RC vessel with her starboard side and starboard shroud approximately 10 seconds before the start.

8) On the RC vessel 3 meters of the rail were damaged.

9) Agent (TUR 1508) did one penalty turn.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: 11, 14, 31, 44.1(b)

1) Agent (TUR 1508) to windward failed to keep clear of Alize 1070 to leeward, and broke RRS 11

2) Agent (TUR 1508) did not avoid contact when it was reasonably possible, and broke RRS 14.

3) Agent (TUR 1508) touched starting mark and broke RRS 31.

4) It was not reasonably possible for Alize 1070 (TUR 1070), the right-of-way boat, to avoid contact with Agent (TUR 1508) when it was clear that Agent (TUR 1508) was not keeping clear. Alize 1070 (TUR 1070) did not break RRS 14.

5) Since Agent (TUR 1508) caused serious damage by her breach, her penalty was to retire as required by RRS 44.1(b).

DECISION

Agent (TUR 1508) is DSQ in race #4.

Date & Time: 2022-07-29 18:50 +03

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: George Paunov (BUL) Committee Members: Uros Zvan (SLO), Paul Schilizzi (GRE), Fatih Bakkaloglu (TUR), Duran İzgi (TUR)

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