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Protest nr: 46

Class	IQ FOIL Women
Protestor	USA 220 - Dominique Stater
Protestee	ESP 340 - Caterina Tomas Cardell
Witnesses	USA - Pedro Pascual
Type	protest & redress
Incident	Right after the start, both on port tack, ESP 340 hits the back of the sail of USA 220. She comes from behind and hit the back part of USA 220 sail. USA did not see her or hear her and could not keep clear or avoid contact. USA 220 capsizes by sail dropping to the water. I have video evidence of the incident.
Date/Time of hearing	2 Apr 2025 at 16:30
Location	Hearing Room - Portixol
Procedural matters	1. The panel of the international jury was composed in accordance with RRS N1.4(b). 2. USA220 was represented by Dominique Stater 3. ESP 340 was represented by Caterina Tomas Cardell 4. Pedro Pascual (coach of USA 220) attended the hearing as an observer. 5. USA 220 stated several times that her request was not a protest but only a request for redress. 6. Since the validity requirements are met, the panel of the international jury changed the type of case No. 46 from protest and request of redress to only request of redress after considering USA 220's statement, in accordance with RRS 63.2(c).
Facts found	1. Race 12 of the iQFOiL Women was an upwind sprint race. 2. The conditions at the time of the incident were 12 knots of wind and choppy waves. 3. Two seconds after the starting signal, USA 220 and ESP 340 were foiling on a close hauled course. Both were on port tack. 4. USA220 was clear ahead of ESP 340. 5. An overlap was established and immediately after a contact occurred between ESP 340's nose and the leeward back part of USA220's boom. 6. USA220's boom touched the water, dropped of the foil, and slowed down. 7. The contact did not cause capsize, damage or injury to USA 220 8. Both boats continued sailing and finished the race. 9. No board took a penalty



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Conclusion	USA 220's score in race 12 was made significantly worse, but not by capsizing, physical damage or injury. Therefore, the requirements for redress in RRS 61.4(b)(2) as changed by RRS B5.61.4 are not met.	
Rules applicables	RRS 63.2(c), B5 61.4(b)(2), N14(b)	
Jury Decision:	Redress is not given.	
Date of decision:	2 Apr 2025 at 17:11	
Jury members	Manuel Ken Gamito IJ (POR)(c), Carlos Garcia Motta IJ (ESP)(s), Stavros Kouris IJ (GRE)	

Signature:

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