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Protest nr: 106

Class	470 Mixed
Protestor	IND 1 - Shraddha Verma
Protestee	POR 25 - Beatriz Gago
Witnesses	
Type	protest
Incident	Before race 10 starts I was on starboard tack and POR25 on port He hit my boat from port tack and my boat damaged and had hole on the boat
Date/Time of hearing	4 Apr 2025 at 18:05
Location	Room 1
Procedural matters	The panel comprised three persons in accordance with rule N1.4(b).
Facts found	1. Before the start of race 10, IND and POR were sailing in the prestart area. 2. IND was on starboard, and POR was on port. 3. IND was stationary, and POR was sailing towards IND on a collision course with her. 4. POR did not see IND as boats became closer. 5. IND shouted, which caused POR to realise IND was there immediately before the collision. 6. IND and POR luffed but a collision occurred which created a golf ball sized hole in the bow on the port side of IND with cracks extending radially outwards. 7. IND applied tape to the hole and sailed in the subsequent race. POR also competed in the next race.
Conclusion	1. POR on port did not keep clear of IND on starboard. POR broke rule 10. 2. As the incident occurred before the preparatory signal, neither boat was racing. However, as both boats were sailing in the racing area and intending to race, the preamble to part 2 applies. 3. The damage to IND is serious because it significantly affects the market value of the boat (Case 141). 4. By causing contact, POR broke rule 14 and may be penalised for her breach in the race nearest in time to the incident. 5. By shouting IND acted to avoid contact once it became clear that POR would not keep clear. IND did not break rule 14.
Rules applicables	10, 14, Preamble to Part 2
Jury Decision:	POR 25 is DSQ in race 10F.
Date of decision:	4 Apr 2025 at 18:20
Jury members	Alina Stratigiou (IJ-GRE), Giorgio Davanzo (IJ-ITA), Chris Lindsay (IJ-IRL)



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