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## PROTEST DECISION
CASE No. 9

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### Protest Details:

**Facts found:**
1. IRL and ESP were approaching the windward mark on port.
2. ESP was approximately one boat length astern and 1 boat width to windward of IRL and sailing a few degrees lower than IRL creating a converging course.
3. IRL luffed up past head to wind in front of ESP when there was approximately half a boat length between them.
4. ESP luffed to avoid a collision with IRL.
5. There was contact between ESP's starboard bow and IRL’s port stern quarter.
6. There was damage on IRL’s toerail but it was not serious.
7. Neither boat took a penalty turn.

**Conclusion:**
1. While tacking, IRL failed to keep clear of ESP as required by rule 13.
2. ESP acted to avoid contact with IRL as soon as it was clear to her that IRL was not keeping clear so ESP did not break rule 14.
3. IRL failed to avoid contact with ESP and broke rule 14.

**Rule(s) applicable:**
13, 14

**Decision:**
IRL is DSQ in race 8

**Decision - short:**
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**Jury:**
BEAL Lynne (CAN), SUBNIRAN Rut (THA), BAILEY Pat (ISV), PORTO Eduardo (BRA), WATKINS Danielle (AUS)

**Signed:** __________________________ Date: 15 SEP 2016  Time: 20:00

Panel Chairman

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