*Fill in and tick as appropriate*        **Heard together with numbers** ................

**Withdrawal requested** ☐    **Signature** ........................................................    **Withdrawal permitted** ☐

**Class** Melges 24    **Fleet** ..................... ......... **Race** 3 ..................

**Protest, or request for redress or reopening, received within time limit  X**    **Time limit extended** ☐

**Protestor, or party requesting redress or reopening, represented by** Luis Tarabochia

**Other party, or boat being considered for redress, represented by** Giovanna Micol

**Names of witnesses** ...............................................................................................................

**Interpreters** ...........................................................................................

                                     **Remarks**

**Conflict of interest declared** ☐      **Objections:  Yes** ☐    **No X**    ...........................................

**Written protest or request identifies incident**                **X**    ...........................................

**'Protest' hailed at first reasonable opportunity**          **X**    ...........................................

**No hail needed; protestee informed at first reasonable opportunity** ☐    ...........................................

**Red flag conspicuously displayed at first reasonable opportunity**    **X**    ...........................................

**Protest or request valid; hearing will continue  X**     **Protest or request invalid; hearing is closed** ☐

## FACTS FOUND

In Race 3 in wind of 6-7 knots and no seas on the first windward leg after the start GER677 was sailing on starboard and ITA 689 was sailing on port on a collision course. ITA689 changed her course too late and there was contact between the bow of ITA689 and the hull of GER 677. After the incident ITA689 took a one-turn penalty. There was a damage on GER677 on the port side of the aft third of the hull. GER677 continued the race and is able to continue racing. Both boats finished.

**Diagram of boat is endorsed by committee** ☐     **Committee's diagram is attached** ☐

## CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

ITA689 broke RRS 10 and 14 and exonerated herself by taking a penalty according to SI 13.1 and RRS 44.2. It was not reasonably possible for GER677 to avoid contact.

## DECISION

**Protest: dismissed  X**     **Boat(s) is (are) disqualified from race(s)** ........................................................

                                 **penalized as follows** ☐ **:** .............................................................

**Redress: not given** ☐     **given as follows** ☐ **:** .......................................................................

**Request to reopen a hearing: denied** ☐     **granted** ☐

**Protest committee chairman and other members**  Uros Zvan (IJ, SLO), Franco Battistin (IJ, CRO), Vilmos Naray (IJ, HUN), Peter Farbowski (AUT, NJ), Stanko (SLO, NJ)

**Chairman's signature** ........................................................... **Date and time:** 05.04.2019. 20.00 hrs