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**SYDNEY
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Decision of Protest Committee

Protest Number:	3
Protest Heard With:	6
Date of Hearing:	03 03 2018
Event:	Sydney Harbour Regatta
Date of Incident:	03 March 2018
Race Number:	1
Boat Protesting:	Galan
Representative	Mike Gallagher
Boat(s) Protested:	Let Loose
Representative:	Andy Fairclough
Translator(s):	N/A
Validity:	Protest no. 3 valid (protest no. 6 was not lodged on time and therefore not valid).
Facts Found:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Approaching the line to start, both boats on starboard.2. Let Loose sailing clear ahead of Galan.3. Galan sailing faster than Let Loose.4. Galan luffed to avoid contact, but contact occurred between Galan's protruding spinnaker pole and the starboard quarter pushpit on Let Loose.5. Neither boats took a penalty and both boats finished.
Diagram:	N/A
Conclusions:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Galan failed to keep clear as required by rule 12.2. Galan did not avoid contact as required by rule 14.3. It was not reasonably possible for Let Loose to avoid the contact once it became clear that Galan was not avoiding contact.
Rules that Apply:	RRS 12, 14.
Decision:	Galan to be scored DSQ in race 1.
Protest Committee:	Simon Barrington SJ NSW, Jeremy Atkinson NJ NSW, Erica Kirby NJ NSW and Rob Ware IJ VIC (chairman)

Chairman's Signature:

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Decision Advised: