

## **Volvo Ocean Race 2011 – 2012**

Abu Dhabi: Jury Hearing No. 4. Request for redress by Telefonica.

Telefonica lodged a request for redress in connection with damage to her keel bulb during entry into the Abu Dhabi marina when led by a 'follow me' boat.

The IJ took evidence from: Telefonica represented by Horatio Carabelli and the Race Director, Jack Lloyd.

### Facts found

1. The 'follow me' boat was piloted by World Sport, and under the authority of the OA.
2. The 'follow me' boat took the wrong course, and as a result Telefonica ran aground and her keel bulb was damaged.

### Conclusions

1. There was an improper action of the OA.
2. Under NOR 5.6.5 a boat is allowed to replace, like for like, a damaged or broken appendage through a procedure that does not involve the International Jury.
3. Financial consequences do not fall within the jurisdiction of the Jury.
4. Telefonica decided not to request redress at this time in respect of the future performance of the yacht.

### Decision

The request for redress is dismissed.

Decision given at 1615 on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2012

International Jury: Bernard Bonneau FRA(Chairman), , Chris Atkins GBR, Chris Simon GBR Mohamed Azzoug ALG, James Harris UAE, Ian Croxon IRL .