

# VOLVO OCEAN RACE



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## **PROTEST TELEFÓNICA AZUL against ERICSSON 3**

The Race Committee have received the following protest fro Telefónica Azul against Ericsson 3 from Leg 3.

The Jury have scheduled the hearing for the 8<sup>th</sup> January 2009 at 1000hrs local time Singapore. The location will be confirmed as soon as possible and will be circulated separately along with any additional instructions from the Jury Chairman relating to the conducting of the hearing including possible restrictions on attendance.

Kind regards,

Jack Lloyd  
Race Director  
31<sup>st</sup> December 2008

# Telefonica



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## Protest Form

**Boat Protesting:** Telefonica Azul      ESP 12  
**Represented by:** Bouwe Bekking      Skipper

**Boat Protested:** Ericsson 3      SWE 3

### **Description of Incident:**

1. 21 December 2008, approx 1800 UTC (0200 local time - UTC+8) at the location 03 11.158N 101 00.033E (1 Fathom Bank).
2. Telefonica Azul on starboard tack, VMG running. Ericsson 3 on port tack on a converging course.
3. When boats less than 1 boat length apart, Telefonica Azul bore away in order to avoid contact with Ericsson 3.
4. Soon after Telefonica Azul bore away, Ericsson 3 crash gybed from port tack onto starboard tack.

**Rule(s) alleged to have been broken:** Rule 10.

Signed: Bouwe Bekking

23 December 2008