

### **COMMENTARY**



♥A96

♦ KQ32

**♣**KJ82

**♠**92

**♠** A3

**1087** 

♥KQJ42

**♦**654

♦ A8

**4**109764

♣AQ53

**♦** KQJ10864

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♦J1097

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Makeable contracts					
NT					NT
N	1	3	1	4	- 1
S	-	3	-	4	
Е	2	-	2	-	1
W	2	-	2	-	1

Board 1: Dealer North: Love all

West North East South

1NT Dbl 4♠

All Pass

Opener's 1NT is doubled.

South has seven spades and a void. Bids game in spades.

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**♠**982

**v** 1096

**♦**754

**\$9865** 

**♠**643

**♠**Q75

♥A832

**♥**754

♦ K63

♦ AQJ2

**♣** KJ3

**♣**A42

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♠ AKJ10

**♥** KQJ

**1098** 

♣Q107

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Makeable contracts						
	♣ ♦ ♥ ♠ N¹					
Ν	1	ı	1	1	1	
S	1	-	-	-	-	
Ε	2	3	2	2	3	
W	1	2	1	1	2	
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Board 2: Dealer East: NS vulnerable

West	North	East	South
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1NT Dbl

Pass! Pass Rdbl! All Pass

Opener's 1NT is doubled.

#### **Playing Halmic:**

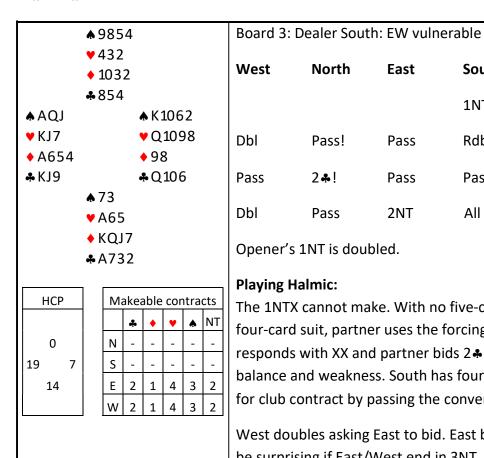
West has a balanced 11HCPs 1NT should make with overtricks. West calls the forcing pass. Opener responds, as agreed, with XX and responder passes.

Contract is 1NTXX which should make with overtricks for a better result than passing 1NTX.

This time the double works out badly. Very unusual.



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West	North	East	South
			1NT

Pass

2NT

Pass	2♣!	Pass	Pass

The 1NTX cannot make. With no five-card suit and only one four-card suit, partner uses the forcing pass. Opener responds with XX and partner bids 2♣ showing perfect balance and weakness. South has four clubs and so settles for club contract by passing the conventional 2. call.

Rdbl!

All Pass

West doubles asking East to bid. East bids 2NT. It would not be surprising if East/West end in 3NT.

<b>♦</b> 982	Board 4: Dealer West: All vulnerable
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West	North	East	South
1NT	2♦	3♣	All Pass

After North's overcall, East's 3♣ is to play.

Some partnerships would double in North's seat intending to get the 1NT down. This possibility creates uncertainty for South, so is not recommended.

However, in the case of a double by North East-West should find their club contract using Halmic.

	▼A54		
	◆ AKQ876		
	<b>.</b> 3		
<b>♦</b> K64	<b>♠</b> QJ10		
♥KJ8	<b>♥</b> Q103		
<b>♦</b> 543	<b>♦</b> J2		
<b>♣</b> AK84	<b>♣</b> QJ765		
	♠A753		
	<b>♥</b> 9762		

**109 4** 1092

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Makeable contracts					
	*	•	>	٨	NT
N	1	2	1	1	2
S	-	2	1	1	2
Ε	3	-	-	-	-
W	3	-	-	-	ı

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<b>♠</b> Q843	
♥AJ8	
♦ KQJ3	
<b>♣</b> 54	

**♠** 109

**♥**5432 **♦**874

**♣**J987

**↑**762

**976 1052** 

♣AKQ10

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13 1 17 9	7

Makeable contracts							
	♣ <b>♦ ♥</b> ♠ NT						
Ν	1	2	1	1	2		
S	1	1	1	1	1		
Ε	-	-	-	-	1		
W	-	-	-	-	1		

**♠** AKJ5

**♥** KQ10

♦ A96

**♣**632

Board 5: Dealer North: NS vulnerable

West	North	East	South
	1NT	Dbl	Pass
Pass	Rdbl	All Pass	

Opener's 1NT is doubled.

### **Playing Halmic:**

South has a balanced 9HCPs 1NT should make. South calls the forcing pass. Opener responds, as agreed, with XX and responder passes.

Contract is 1NTXX which should make for a better result than passing 1NTX.

This time the double works out badly. Very unusual.

**▲**432

**¥**865

♦ A94

♣A432

**♠**J85

**♠** KQ76 ♥KQ3

♥J1097

♦ K65

♦J732 **4** 109

**\$**875

**♠** A109

**♥**A42

♦ Q108

♣KQJ6

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Makeable contracts						
	*	•	•	٨	NT	
Ν	2	1	1	1	2	
S	2	-	-	1	2	
Е	1	-	1	-	-	
W	-	-	1	-	-	
VV	-	-	1	-	-	

Board 6: Dealer East: EW vulnerable

West	North	East	South
		1NT	Dbl
2 ♦ !	2NT	All Pass	

Opener's 1NT is doubled.

#### **Playing Halmic:**

West's bid of 2♦ shows the lower ranking of two four-card suits in a weak hand.

With eight HCPs and a diamond Ace, North bids 2NT to invite South to 3NT. With minimum 16 HCPs, South should pass.

Note: Double of the 2♦ would usually be for take-out. 2NT is worth 120, 2 ♦ one down is worth 100.



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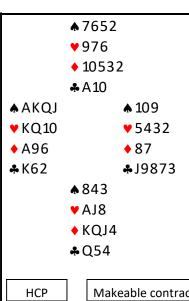
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# BC L09 Defence to 1NTX

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Makeable contracts						
	♣ ♦ ♥ ♠ NT					
N	-	-	-	-	-	
S	1	1	1	1	-	
Ε	4	-	3	1	1	
W	4	•	3	1	1	

Board 7: Dealer South: All vulnerable

West	North	East	South
			1NT
Dbl	2♦	Pass	Pass
Dbl	Pass	3 <b>.</b>	All Pass

Opener's 1NT is doubled.

#### **Playing Halmic:**

North's bid of 2 ◆ shows the lower ranking of two four-card suits in a weak hand. South is happy to pass 2 ◆.

West doubles again for take-out and should pass East's choice of clubs.

KQ93
A9
A76
A432
A7
VAJ8
V1076
K42
Q87653
KQ84
AJ109
KQJ98

**♠** A1065

♥542 ♦J10 ♣532

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Ma	Makeable contracts						
	♣ ♦ ♥ ♠ NT						
N	-	-	2	4	1		
S	-	-	2	4	1		
Ε	1	2	-	•	-		
W	1	3	-	-	-		

Board 8: Dealer West: Love all

West	North	East	South
1NT	Dbl	Rdbl	Pass
2*	Pass	2♦	2 🏚
Pass	4 🖍	All Pass	

Opener's 1NT is doubled.

#### **Playing Halmic:**

East redoubles showing a five-card suit and asking partner to bid 2. East can then bid the diamonds. South now shows his five-card spade suit to partner.

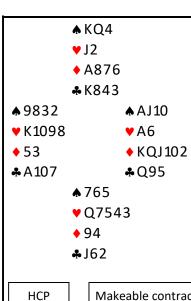
With A♦, 17HCPs and a nine-card spade fit, North raises to game.



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Board 9: Dealer North: EW vulnerable	Board 9:	Dealer	North: E	W vul	nerable
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West	North	East	South
	1NT	Dbl	Rdbl
Pass	2*	2♦	Pass
2NT	Pass	3NT	All Pass

Opener's 1NT is doubled.

#### **Playing Halmic:**

South redoubles showing a five-card suit and asking partner to bid 2. East now shows his five-card diamond suit. West responds 2NT and East raises to game.

Makeable contracts						
	*	•	>	٨	NT	
Ζ	1	1	1	1	ı	
S	-	-	-	-	-	
Е	3	4	3	4	3	
W	3	4	3	4	3	

**♠**J9832

**v** 1098

**♦**53

♣A107

**↑**765

**♥** KQ754

**•** 94

♦ A876

**♠**KQ4

**V** 12

**♣**J62

**♣**K843

**♠** A 10

**♥**A63

♦ KQJ102

**♣**Q95

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Ma	Makeable contracts					
	*	•	•	<b>^</b>	NT	
N	2	2	-	3	2	
S	2	2	-	3	2	
Е	-	-	-	-	-	
W	-	-	-	-	-	

Board 10: Dealer East: All vulnerable

West	North	East	South
		1NT	Dbl
Rdbl	Pass	2*	Pass
2♥	All Pass		

Opener's 1NT is doubled.

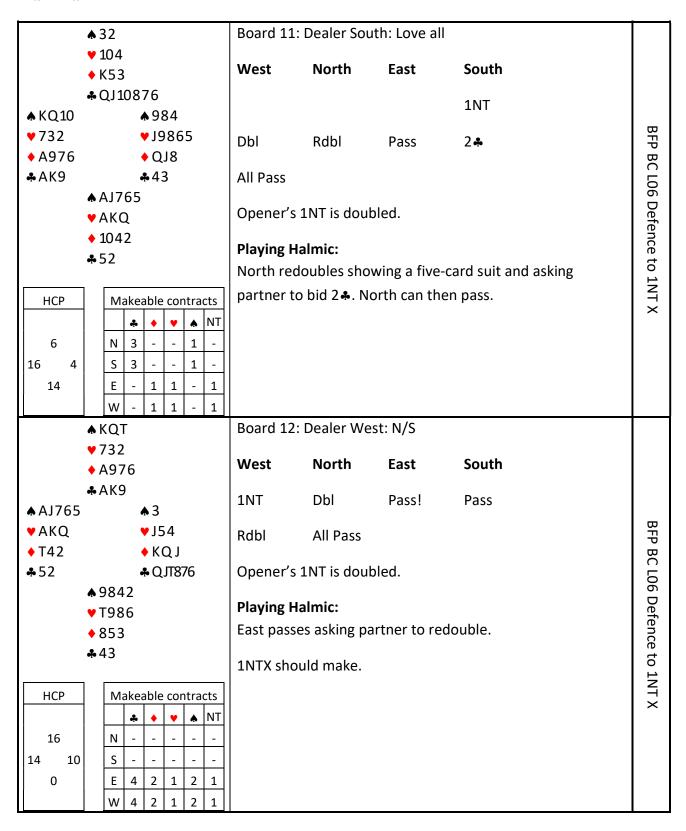
#### **Playing Halmic:**

West redoubles showing a five-card suit and asking partner to bid 2. East now shows his five-card diamond suit. West bids his hearts.

Probably one down for -100.



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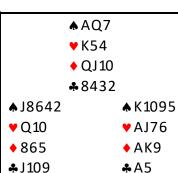




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**♣**KQ76

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 Makeable contracts

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♦ A62
♣ 10986
♠ 8643
♠ A107
♥ 863
♠ KQ4
♠ 754
♠ QJ10
♣ KQ7
♣ KQJ5

**♠**92

**v** 10952

♥AJ7 ♦K983 ♣A5

НСР	
4 5 13	3

Makeable contracts						
	*	•	>	٨	NT	
N	2	3	3	2	1	
S	2	3	3	2	1	
Ε		-	-	-	-	
W	-	-	-	-	-	

Board 13: Dealer North: All vulnerable

West	North	East	South
	1NT	Dbl	2 <b>.</b> !

Opener's 1NT is doubled.

All Pass

#### **Playing Halmic:**

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South's bid of 2. shows the lower ranking of two four-card suits in a weak hand, as it happens there are three.

West bids 2♠ showing a five-card suit and suggesting a weak take-out.

Board 14: Dealer East: Love all

West	North	East	South
		1NT	Dbl
Pass!	Pass	Rdbl	Pass
2♣	Pass	Pass	Dbl
Pass	2♥	All Pass	

Opener's 1NT is doubled.

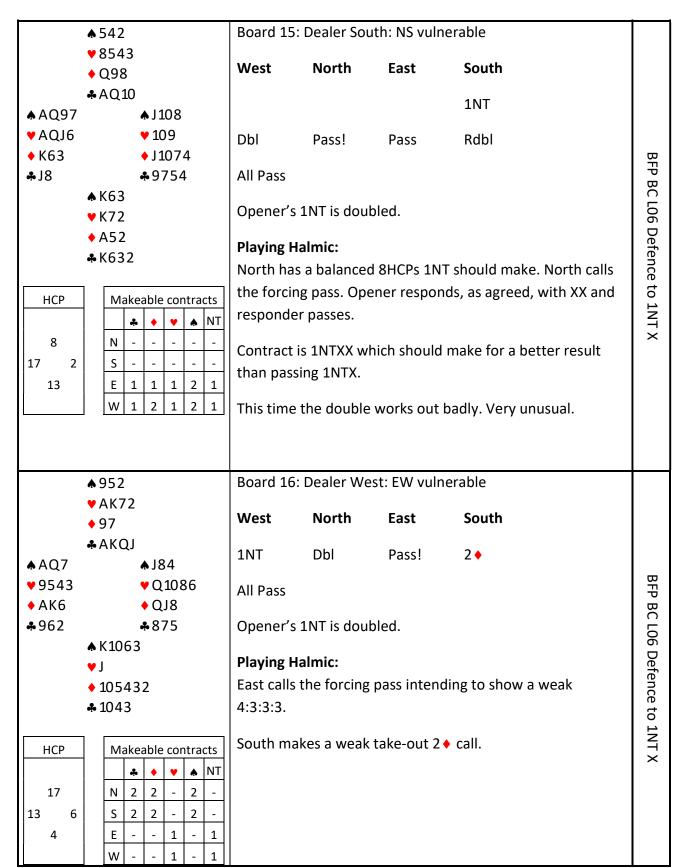
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South doubles asking North to bid. North reasonably expects South to have majors and so bids 2 .



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