

Ruling B.C.O.B. 2 vs. Riviera I

RBBF Honour Division – Round 19 (26/11/2016)
Closed Room

NS: Riviera I – EW: B.C.O.B. 2
N: W. Van Den Hove – S: B. Geens – E: D. Maurin – W: J.-F. Jourdain

Hands

Board 15, South dealer, NS vulnerable

<p>♠ -</p> <p>♥ Q 10 8 7 6 5 3</p> <p>♦ A 7 5 3 2</p> <p>♣ 3</p>	<p>♠ K J 9 5</p> <p>♥ A K</p> <p>♦ Q 6</p> <p>♣ A K Q 7 4</p>	<p>♠ 8 4 2</p> <p>♥ 9 4</p> <p>♦ K 9</p> <p>♣ J 10 9 8 5 2</p>
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N
E
W
S

Bidding

West	North	East	South
			3♠
Pass	4♦*	X	Pass
4♥	4♠	Pass	Pass
5♥	5♠	Pass	Pass
6♥	X	All Pass	

4♦ alerted by N: Cue
East doubles for lead of ♦

Lead of ♥A

Result of this board

Open room	4♠ +1 by NS	650 for NS (B.C.O.B. 2)
Closed room	6♥! -4 by EW	800 for NS (Riviera I)

Balance +4 IMPs for B.C.O.B. 2

Facts

After play, EW discover a difference in explanation on both sides of the screen. The TD is called.

The 4♦ was alerted by N as cue. South did not alert this bid.

Therefore, West assumes that the double by his partner E showed ♣ and ♥.

The correct explanation should have been cue.

Ruling

West has received the wrong explanation of the hand (according to the system) by South.

It is too late to change the last call of the non-offending side. According to L21B3 the Director can award an adjusted score if he judges that the offending side gained an advantage from the irregularity.

After consulting 3 other players from the Honour Division, all of which bid, but no higher than 5♥ (not even after 5♠), the director deems it likely that the reached contract would be 5♠, which NS can just make.

Decision

The adjusted score on this board would then become:

Open room	4♠ +1 by NS	650 for NS (B.C.O.B. 2)
Closed room	5♠ = by NS	650 for NS (Riviera 1)

Balance 0 IMPs for either team

Both teams have the right to appeal to this decision, according to chapter 9 from the national regulations regarding team games.

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TD assigned by the RBBF