

Ruling Begijntje I vs. UAE I

RBBF Honour Division – Round 2 (03/10/2015)
Closed Room

NS: UAE I
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EW: Begijntje I
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Hands

Board 14, East dealer, None vulnerable

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

Bidding

West	North	East	South
		Pass	Pass
1♣	Pass	2♥*	Pass
3♥	Pass	4♥	All Pass

2♥ explained by West as weak, could have some ♣ or ♠.

2♥ explained by East as jump fit, length ♥ and ♣.

Lead of ♦5

Result of this board

Open room	3♥ +1 by EW	170 for EW (UAE I)
Closed room	4♥ = by EW	420 for EW (Begijntje I)

Balance +6 IMPs for Begijntje I

Facts

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

South claims that, when given the correct explanation, he would lead a spade.

According to the system used by EW, the correct explanation would be “jump fit”.

Ruling

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

It is too late to change the last call of the non-offending side. According to L2IB3 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, of which 2 claim they would lead spade without a doubt, and 1 says ♦, maybe ♠, it is safe to assume that ♠ would be the most probable lead.

With a spade lead, 4♥ would probably go -1.

Decision

The adjusted score on this board would then become:

Open room	3♥ +1 by EW	170 for EW (UAE I)
Closed room	4♥ -1 by EW	50 for NS (UAE I)

Balance	+6 IMPs for UAE I
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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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Leuven

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TD assigned by the RBBF