

Deal 1

South Deals	♠ K 9 6 5 2
None Vul	♥ A 7 6
	♦ A 5
	♣ Q 9 8

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

13	♠ A Q J 7 4 3
8 5	♥ K Q J 5
14	♦ J 3
	♣ 7

West	North	East	South
			1 ♠
Pass	2 NT	Pass	3 ♣
Pass	3 ♦	Pass	4 NT
Pass	5 ♥	Pass	6 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	
6 ♠ by South			

This is the companion to Deal 4.

After SOUTH bids $3\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}$ to show shortage, NORTH makes a Control-showing bid

of 3

\hat{a}^{TM}

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SOUTH no longer worries about losing two quick

\hat{a}^{TM}

s. He uses

Blackwood to check for Aces, then bids $6\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}$.

Deal 2

South Deals
None Vul

♠ J 8 6 3 2	♦ A 9	♣ K Q 10 9 2
♥ Q 4		
♦ J 4 3		
♣ 8 5 4		

17	4 5	14
♠ A 5	♦ A J 10 9 6 2	♦ K Q 7
♥	♣ 6 3	



♠ 10 9 7 4	♦ 3	♣ A J 7
♥	♦ 10 8 6 5 2	

West	North	East	South
Pass	2 NT	Pass	1 ♥
Pass	4 NT	Pass	3 ♥
Pass	6 ♥	Pass	5 ♥
Pass			Pass
6 ♥ by South			

SOUTH's 3

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rebid shows better than average strength and six trumps.

Just what NORTH was hoping for. She bids Blackwood - her plan is to bid 7

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if SOUTH has three Aces, bid 6

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if he has two Aces,

and stop at 5

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if he has just one. If South has no Aces NORTH will get a new partner.

Deal 3
 South Deals
 None Vul

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

♠ A Q 10 6 4
 ♥ K Q J 7
 ♦ K J
 ♣ J 5

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
			1 ♠
Pass	2 NT	Pass	3 NT
Pass	4 ♥	Pass	4 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	

4 ♠ by South

SOUTH indicates an above normal opening with five \hat{a}^{TM} s by her 3 NT rebid.

NORTH also has some extra strength so he makes a Control showing bid of 4

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\ddot{Y}$

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Despite both partners showing extra strength South merely signs off at 4 \hat{a}^{TM} . Why? Because NORTH's

Control bid of 4

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\ddot{Y}$

denied first-round control in both \hat{a}^{TM} s and

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\ddot{I}$

s. SOUTH realized she was off two Aces.

Deal 4South Deals
None Vul

♠ 9
 ♥ 6 5 3 2
 ♦ J 7 6
 ♣ A 10 7 5 3

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 5 8
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♠ A 7 6 3
 ♥ A Q 8 4
 ♦ 9 4
 ♣ K Q 2



♠ 10 4 2
 ♥ 10 9
 ♦ A K 10 3 2
 ♣ J 9 6

♠ K Q J 8 5
 ♥ K J 7
 ♦ Q 8 5
 ♣ 8 4

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
Pass	2 NT	Pass	1 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	4 ♠
4 ♠ by South			

SOUTH has a minimum opening hand with no extra features to brag about.

So after NORTH's Jacoby 2 NT bid he merely signs off at 4^{â™}.

NORTH would have cooperated if SOUTH had made a slam try, but she doesn't have enough

to initiate the investigation herself.