

APPEAL	Non-NABC+ One
Subject	Unauthorized Information (UI) - Tempo
DIC	Jeff Alexander
Event	Compact KO
Session	First Match of First Session
Date	November 21, 2008

BD#	<b>19</b>
VUL	<b>E/W</b>
DLR	<b>South</b>

<b>Shome Mukherjee</b>	
♠	A K Q 5 4 2
♥	8
♦	J 6 4 3
♣	J T

<b>Marion Kelley</b>		<b>Fall 2008 Boston, MA</b>	<b>Richard Oldford</b>	
♠			♠	J T
♥	Q T 5 3		♥	A K 6 4
♦	T 9 5 2		♦	A K Q 8
♣	Q 9 4 3 2		♣	K 7 5

<b>William Hunter</b>	
♠	9 8 7 6 3
♥	J 9 7 2
♦	7
♣	A 8 6

West	North	East	South
			Pass
Pass	1♠	Dbl	2♦ <sup>1</sup>
2♥	3♠	4♥	4♠
Pass	Pass	Dbl <sup>2</sup>	Pass
5♣	Pass	5♥	Dbl
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Final Contract	<b>5♥ doubled by W</b>
Opening Lead	<b>♠A</b>
Table Result	<b>Made 6, E/W + 1050</b>
Director Ruling	<b>4♠ dbld N, made 4, N/S + 590</b>
Panel Ruling	<b>4♠ dbld N, made 4, N/S + 590</b>

(1)	8-10 pts and spade support (raise of spades).
(2)	Break in tempo (BIT) of approximately 10 seconds

**The Facts:** The director was called initially after the 5♣ call. All participants agreed that there was a BIT prior to East's second double. N/S said that East had asked questions and then thought. East explained that he was unfamiliar with the opponent's agreement about 2♦ and was processing the auction.

**The Ruling:** The director judged that the BIT demonstrably suggested further action and that a pass was a logical alternative. Therefore, in accordance with Laws 16B1, 73C and 12C1(e), the result was changed to 4♠ doubled by North, making four, N/S plus 590.

**The Appeal:** All four players attended the hearing. West felt that he had no defense. N/S felt that 4♠ could be going set if East had made a quick double.

**The Decision:** The hand was given to three of E/W's peers. All passed the double of 4♠. Therefore, on review, the director's judgment that action was demonstrably suggested and that pass was a logical alternative was affirmed. The director's decision to adjust the result to 4♠ doubled by North, making four, N/S plus 590 was upheld.

Since this was late in the first match of the event, there was little time in which to discuss the situation with the appellants. So even though they were advised of the reasons for the ruling and how slim their case was, no appeal without merit warning (AWMW) was assessed.

**The Panel:** Bernie Gorkin (Reviewer) – This was the first match of a compact KO so there was only time to have the decision reviewed by a one person panel..