

BID WITH THE ACES

South holds:

- ♠ K865
- ♥ A4
- ♦ QJ102
- ♣ A Q2

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1 NT	2 ♥	Pass	Pass
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**ANSWER:** I'm a big fan of playing negative doubles when the opponents intervene over our no-trump, both by opener and responder at their first action. Thereafter, any subsequent doubles become penalties. On this sequence, regardless of your general approach, it does make sense for a double to be takeout.

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