

ALL AFRICA BRIDGE CHAMPIONSHIPS 2007 (iii)

CPNVENTION CARD OF Pierre PHILOGENE & L.T.K. LI MEW T U N G ( MAURITIUS )

BIDDING STYLE : 5 card Major ; 2 over 1 Game Force ; Inverted Minor raises; 16-18 N.T.; Strong Artificial 2 ♣ opening ; Weak two Major openings ; 2 ♦ opening ( Flannery ); Transfer preempts ; 3 ♠ & 3 N.T. openings ( Gambling ); LEBENSOHL after a Reverse.

OVEREVIEW OF OPENING BIDS & RESPONSES

OPENING	DEFINITION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT BIDDING
1 ♣	3 cards + 12 to 20	1 ♦ ( 2 cards + ) 6 pts.+ 1 Major ( 4 cards + ) “ 1NT: 8 – 10 2NT: 11/12(no major) 2 ♣ ( 4 cards + ) Forcing 3 ♣ preemptive ( 5 cards + ) 2 ♥ ( reverse Flannery) limited to 8 pts. with 5 ♥ & 4 ♠. 2 ♦ / ♠ 16 + 5 cards + with 2 top honours	1 NT rebid: 12-15(possible major ) “ “ “ ( 2 ♣ check back ) Showing stoppers up the line: 2NT shows stoppers in both majors.
1 ♦	3 cards+ 12-20	1 Major ( 4 cards + ) 6 pts+ 1 NT : 6-9 2NT: 11/12 ( no major ) 2 ♦ / 3 ♦ ( inverted minor raises ) 2 ♣ game forcing ( 4 cards + ) 2 ♥ Reverse Flannery 2 ♠ 16+ 5 cards + 2 top honours	1 NT rebid : 12-15 ( over 1 ♥ , could have 4 cards in ♠ )
1 ♥	5 cards + 12-20	1 ♠ 5 cards + 6 pts + 1 NT: forcing 6-13 2 ♣ / ♦ game forcing 2 ♠ 16 + 5 cards + 2 top honours 2 NT: 16+ with fit 2 ♣ by passed hand ( reverse Drury ) 4 ♣ / ♦ ( Inverted Trump Swiss ) 12-15 balanced with fit	1 NT rebid: 12 – 15 2 ♣ / ♦ rebids ( 2 or 3 cards + )
1 ♠	5 cards + 12-20	as above; 2♥ game forcing 5 cards +	
1 NT	16-18	2 ♣ ( Stayman or relay ) 2 ♦ tranfer ( if followed by 2 ♠ starting a Walsh relay ) 2 ♥ transfer to ♠ 2 ♠ ( Stayman for Minors ) 2 NT tansfer to ♣ 3 ♣ / ♦ 6 cards + with 2 Top Honours 3 ♥ / ♠ ( slam interest ) 4 ♣ ( Ace asking ) 4 ♦ / ♥ ( Texas transfers to ♥ & ♠ respectively) 4♥ / ♠ natural	Smolen transfers

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2 ♣	artificial 23 + or 9 tricks+	2 ♦relay	2 Ntrebid: 23-24; 2♥ followed by 2NT: 25-26 Puppet Stayman 2♥/♠/3♣/♦ 5cards + with 2 top honours
2 ♦	artificial ( Flannery ) 5 ♥ & 4 ♠ 11 to 15	2 NT relay	3♣/♦ : 3 cards 4 ♣/♦ : 4 cards 3♥: 4522 minimum 3♠ 4522 Max. 3 NT : Max. with stoppers in minors
2 ♥ / ♠	6 cards 5 to 10	2 NT relay	Opener shows values outside raises to 3,4 & 5( preemptive or values to make )
2 N.T	21 – 22	3 ♣ Puppet Stayman,Transfer	bids ( 3 ♦/♥ ) 3♠ ( Stayman minors)
3 ♣ / ♦ / ♥	Transfer preempts ( 7 cards)	new suit forcing	
3 ♠ / 3 NT	Gambling: long solid minor with at most a Q outside ( 3 ♠ ) or with a K outside(3NT)		
4 ♣ / ♦	transfer to ♥ & ♠ respectively ( nothing to protect outside )		
4 ♥ / ♠	natural with something outside to protect.		

#### COMPETITIVE BIDDING:

- After NT opening: ASTRO CONVENTION: 2 ♣ ( ♥ + a minor ); 2 ♦ ( ♠ + another suit )  
Double for Minors or Majors ( 5/5 )
- After weak two openings: 2 NT ( 15-18 ) ; Double for take out ( Lebensohl for weak hands )
- After intervention over 1 N.T. ; Lebensohl conention
- Two suiters are shown as follows : 2 ♦ over 1 ♣ ( exclusion showing both majors )
- 3 ♣ over 1 ♦ / ♥ / ♠ ( exclusion showing two other suits )
- 2 N.T. showing weaker suits
- Direct sue bid showing extreme suits.
- Negative double up to 3 ♠
- No trump overcall ( 15 – 18 ) and 11-16 in protective position
- Weak Jump overcalls ( 6 cards and 5 to 10 pts. )

L E A D S : Against No Trump: 4<sup>th</sup>.best; MUD ; Promissing J 10 9; King asking to unblock  
Against suit: small card promissing an honour; MUD, promissing J 10 9; K from AK  
Doubleton

SIGNALLING : Against No trump contract : either encourage or discourage  
Against suit contract : show parity

DISCARDING: attitude- small card discouraging ; high card encouraging.

OTHER CONVENTIONS : Roman Keycard Blackwood;Josephine :

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