LAW 16 AUTHORIZED AND UNAUTHORIZED INFORMATION - Definition

Players' Use of Information

- 1. A player may use information in the auction or play if:
- (a) it derives from the legal calls and plays of the current board (including illegal calls and plays that are accepted) and is unaffected by unauthorized information from another source; or
- (b) it is authorized information from a withdrawn action (see D below); or
- (c) it is information specified in any law or regulation to be authorized or, when not otherwise specified, arising from the legal procedures authorized in these Laws and in regulations or
- (d) it is information that the player possessed before he took his hand from the board (Law 7B) and the Laws do not preclude his use of this information.
- 2. Players may also take account of their estimate of their own score, of the traits of their opponents and any requirement of the tournament regulations.

Irregularities

- 3. No player may base a call or play on other information (such information being designated extraneous).
- 4. If there is a violation of this law causing damage, the Director adjusts the score in accordance with Law 12C.