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Board 1: Dealer North: Love all

West	North	East	South
	1♠	2 🚓	2♦
Pass	2♥	Pass	3♣
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

When East overcalls North's 1♠ opener with 2♣, South can respond 2♦ showing a 5-card suit and forcing for one round. North rebids 2♥ to show 12-14 HCP with at least 5 spades and at least 4 hearts. South is still not sure about the final contract, so he rebids 3♣, a directional asking bid. North now bids 3NT to show a stopper in clubs and that is the final contract.

There are 7 top tricks: 2 in spades, and 5 in diamonds. Clubs will provide one more trick, and the only way is to get a ninth trick is to risk the spade finesse because the bidding suggests that East almost certainly holds •A.

Making 11 tricks should be quite a common result.

♦ Q98▼5432◆8765♣ Q10

<b>♠</b> J2	<b>▲</b> AK 1076
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♦ 543
♥ A8
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Makeable contracts					
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Ν	-	-	-	-	-
S	-	-		-	-
Ε	1	3	3	3	1
W	1	3	3	3	1

Board 2: Dealer East: NS vulnerable

West	North	East	South
		1♠	2*
2♦	Pass	2♥	Pass
3♣	Pass	3▲	All Pass

When South overcalls East's  $1 \triangleq$  opener with  $2 \triangleq$ , West can respond  $2 \triangleq$  showing a 5-card suit and forcing for one round.

East rebids 2♥ to show 12-14 HCP with at least 5 spades and at least 4 hearts. West is still not sure about the final contract, so rebids 3♣, a directional asking bid. East doesn't have a club stopper, so he can only repeat his spades.

South leads \*A, \*K and \*9 when North plays \*Q. A club ruff by North and a heart lead back to South's VA holds declarer to nine tricks.

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