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The Ten Best Games of Informant 91

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Today's computer engines lure us into a wilderness of mind-boggling variations we would not have dreamt of entering only a decade ago. Chessplayers respond to this by delving in and refining a myriad of lines until they are ready for use in tournament practice. Then it usually takes some patience until an unsuspecting victim comes along and the fruits of laborious home analysis can finally be reaped... The first part of that scenario took place in the eighth game of the Kramnik – Leko title match held in Brissago, Switzerland last year. What happened next, however, was nothing less than a contemporary recurrence of the David vs. Goliath myth. Leko rose above Kramnik's home preparation; creating a masterpiece with such an impact that it is reminiscent of the groundbreaking Capablanca – Marshall game that gave birth to the Marshall Attack. Capablanca's ingenuity dealt a crushing blow to the newborn variation, but the enormity of Leko's over-the-board conception restores the balance after so many years. Thus, the jury of experts voted this game to be well-above the competition.

The paucity of fighting games in the Brissago match left much to be desired, but the climactic finish redeemed the champion. The fifteenth game was an interlude to what was to follow and a sign that Kramnik was ready to give his best when he needed it most. His defense of the title in the sixteenth game finally proved him worthy of holding it: maintaining the initiative from the beginning until the very end, Kramnik's play was energetic, well-timed, and concrete. This game topped the first official readers' poll in Chess Informant history. Moreover, the readers' correctly predicted 9 out of 10 of the best games, only leaving out the underdog Bakre – Kadziolka. This was better than any GM member of the jury. Here's the readers' top ten voting in descending order:

- Kramnik – Leko 1:0, Brissago (m/16) 2004
- Kramnik – Leko 0:1, Brissago (m/8) 2004
- Anand – Rublevsky 1:0, Dortmund 2004
- Morozevich – Bologan 1:0, Russia 2004
- Radjabov – Adams 0:1, Tripoli (m/1) 2004
- Volokitin – Rublevsky 1:0, Serbia & Montenegro 2004
- Short – Ye Jiangchuan 1:0, Taiyuan 2004
- Adams – Kasimdzhanov 1:0, Tripoli (m/3) 2004
- Sutovsky – Kovacevic 1:0, Bosnia & Herzegovina 2004
- Bruzon – Ramirez 1:0, La Habana 2004

Here's an additional list of my personal favorites:

- Bakre – Kadziolka 0:1 (This young lady also made it into the Top 10 in the voting for the most important novelties of Informant 91. As a Dragon player myself, I am full of praise for her.)
- Nataf – Volokitin 0:1 (I saw this game firsthand during our national team championships and the young Ukrainian champion's determination, energy and quality of preparation were phenomenal; making him the undisputed man of the event.)
- Peralta – Spasov 1:0 (Watch out for this guy – his Dos Hermanas 2005 "+1" score is just a glimpse of what he's capable of!)
- Miroshnichenko – Krasenkow 1:0 (Krasenkow paid the greatest of compliments to this game by annotating it himself – few top GMs would swallow their pride to annotate such a painful loss.)

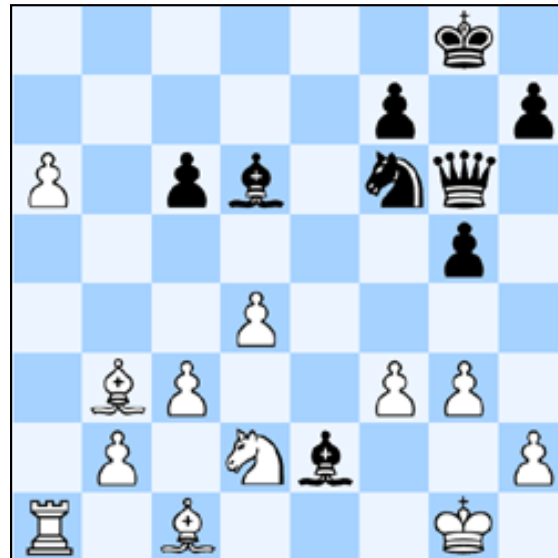
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1. KRAMNIK – LÉKÓ	312	–	9	10	7	7	10	10	8	6	67
2. KRAMNIK – LÉKÓ	74	–	4	8	10	–	8	9	9	4	52
3. AND. VOLOKITIN – RUBLEVSKY	207	10	7	7	4	1	–	6	7	8	50
4. V. ANAND – RUBLEVSKY	144	5	–	–	–	5	9	4	10	10	43
5. BAKRE – B. KADZIOLKA	191	8	–	9	5	10	2	–	–	3	37
6. SUTOVSKY – A. KOVAČEVIĆ	249	6	10	–	–	–	–	5	–	9	30
7. N. SHORT – YE JIANGCHUAN	206	–	5	6	6	8	–	–	–	–	25
8. BRUZÓN – AL. RAMÍREZ	330	1	6	–	9	6	–	–	–	–	22
9. J. VAN OOSTEROM – NIMTZ	203	9	1	–	–	2	7	–	–	2	21
10. MOROZEVICH – BOLOGAN	72	4	2	–	–	–	6	8	–	1	21
11. NATAF – AND. VOLOKITIN	153	7	–	2	2	–	5	–	3	–	19
12. BOLOGAN – I. SOKOLOV	349	–	–	–	–	9	–	–	1	7	17
13. T. RADJABOV – MI. ADAMS	423	–	–	–	–	–	4	7	–	5	16
14. ROMANISHIN – IVANCHUK	419	2	8	–	–	–	–	–	5	–	15
15. FE. PERALTA – V. SPASOV	484	–	–	–	8	–	1	1	4	–	14
16. MI. ADAMS – KASIMDZHANOV	139	–	–	5	–	3	–	–	6	–	14
17. INARKIEV – ŠTOČEK	287	–	–	4	–	–	–	3	–	–	7
18. BROWNE – WOJTKIEWICZ	195	–	3	3	–	–	–	–	–	–	6
19. SCHLÖGEL – RAKHORST	234	–	–	–	–	4	–	–	–	–	4
20. S. SOLOMON – I. ROGERS	119	–	–	1	3	–	–	–	–	–	4
21. ATALIK – MEINS	355	–	–	–	1	–	3	–	–	–	4
22. E. MIROSHNICHENKO – KRASENKOW	2	3	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	3
23. GAGUNASHVILI – BOSBOOM	83	–	–	–	–	–	–	2	–	–	2
24. JAMAGIDZE – KACHEISHVILI	382	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	2	–	2
25. ATALIK – KINDERMANIN	45	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	0
26. SZELAG – KRASENKOW	118	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	0
27. A. NAIDITSCH – SVIDLER	138	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	0
28. IORDĂCHESCU – RUBLEVSKY	143	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	0
29. MI. ADAMS – HAMDOUCHI	167	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	0
30. TYUTYUNNYK – MIKHALCHUK	202	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	0

Kramnik 2770 – Leko 2741

Brissago (m/8) 2004 — 91/312

1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. Bb5 a6 4. Ba4 Nf6 5. 0-0 Be7 6. Re1 b5 7. Bb3 0-0 8. c3 d5 9. ed5 Nd5 10. Ne5 Ne5 11. Re5 c6 12. d4 Bd6 13. Re1 Qh4 14. g3 Qh3 15. Re4 g5 16. Qf1 Qh5!? [16...Qh6 see 39/418] 17. Nd2 Bf5 18. f3! Nf6! [a novelty; 18...Be4? 19. fe4 Ne3 20. Qf3 and White is superior, with the idea 20...Ng4 21. Nf1 and White is winning] 19. Re1 Rae8 20. Re8 Re8 21. a4! Qg6! [21...b4 22. Nc4! with the idea 22...Bg3 23. hg3 Bd3 24. Nd6!! (24. Qd3? Re1 25. Kf2 Qh1 and Black is winning; 24. g4? Ng4! and Black is winning) Bf1 25. Bf7 Qf7 26. Nf7 and White is superior] 22. ab5 [22. Ne4 Ne4 23. fe4 Be4 (23...Re4? 24. ab5 ab5 25. Bc2 h6 26. Be4 Be4 27. b3 and White is superior) 24. Bg5! (24. ab5? Bd3 25. Bf7 Qf7 26. Qd3 Re1 27. Kg2 Qd5 28. Kh3 Rg1 and Black is winning) ba4! 25. Bc4 (25. Ra4? Rb8) Rb8!? (25...Bd5 26. Bd5 cd5 equal) 26. Re1 Bd5 27. Bd5 cd5 28. Bc1 h5 with counterplay] **Bd3 23. Qf2?** [23. Qd1 Be2! (23...ab5 24. Ne4 Be4 25. fe4 Ne4 26. Ra7) 24. Qc2 (24. Bc2? Qh5 25. Qe1 Bf3 26. Qf1 Bd5 27. Qf6 Bg3! 28. Nf3 Re1! 29. Ne1 Qh2 30. Kf1 Qh1 31. Ke2 Qe1 32. Kd3 Qe4 33. Kd2 Bf4 and Black is winning) Bd3 (24...Qh5? 25. Qf5!) 25. Qd1 equal] **Re2 24. Qe2** [24. ba6!? Rf2 25. Kf2 Qh5 (25...Qh6!?) 26. Kg1 (26. Kg2 g4 and Black is winning; 26. Nf1 Ne4! 27. Ke3 Bf1 28. a7 Qh2 29. a8Q Kg7 and Black is winning; 26. Ke3 Ba6 27. Ra6 Qh2 28. Rc6 Qg3 and Black is winning) Bg3! 27. hg3 Qh3 28. a7 Qg3 29. Kh1 g4!! 30. a8Q Kg7 31. Qb7 (31. Ra5 gf3 32. Rg5 Qg5 33. Nf3 Qc1 and Black is winning) Qe1 32. Kg2 gf3 33. Nf3 (33. Kf3 Qe2 34. Kg3 Nh5 35. Kh4 Qh2 36. Kg4 Qg3 37. Kh5 Bg6#) Qf1 34. Kg3 Nh5 35. Kh4 Qh1 36. Kg4 Qg2 37. Kh5 Qh3 38. Nh4 (38. Kg5 Qg3 39. Kh5 Bg6#) Be2 39. Kg5 Qg4#] **Be2 25. ba6**

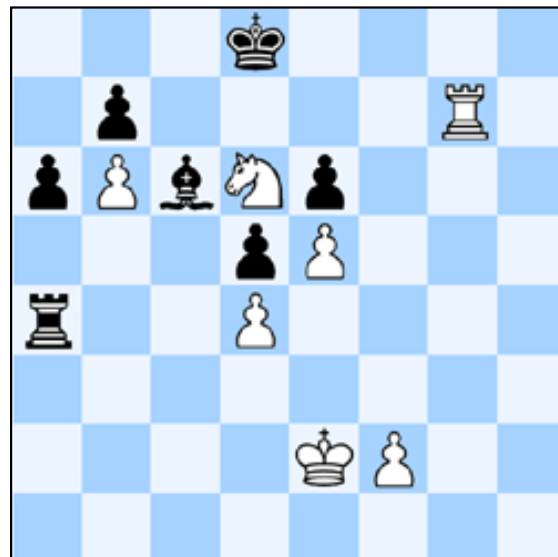


25...Qd3!! (and Black is winning) **26. Kf2** [26. a7 Qe3 27. Kg2 Bf3! 28. Nf3 Qe2 29. Kg1 Ng4!! (29...Qf3? 30. a8Q Kg7 31. Bg5 and White is winning) 30. a8Q Kg7 31. Qc6 Qf2 32. Kh1 Qf1 33. Ng1 Nf2#; 26. Ne4 Ne4 27. fe4 Qf3 28. Bg5 Bg3!] **Bf3! 27. Nf3 Ne4 28. Ke1 Nc3!** [28...Ng3? 29. Bd1] **29. bc3 Qc3 30. Kf2 Qa1 31. a7** [better is 31. Bg5 Qa6] **h6! 32. h4 g4 0 : 1** [Leko]

Kramnik 2770 – Leko 2741

Brissago (m/14) 2004 — 91/74

1. e4 c6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 Bf5 4. h4 h6 5. g4 Bd7 6. Nd2 [a novelty; 6. h5 see 66/90] **c5** [6...e6 7. Nb3 c5] **7. dc5 e6** [7...Qc7 unclear] **8. Nb3 Bc5 9. Nc5 Qa5 10. c3 Qc5 11. Nf3** [11. Be3 Qc7 12. f4 h5] **Ne7 12. Bd3 Nbc6** [12...Qc7 13. Qe2 Nbc6 unclear, with the idea 14. Bf4 d4 15. Nd4 Nd4 16. cd4 Nd5] **13. Be3 Qa5 14. Qd2** [14. Qe2 Ng6 15. b4 Qa3! 16. 0-0 (16. Bd2 Nf4!) Nge5 17. Ne5 Ne5] **Ng6** [14...d4! 15. cd4 (15. Nd4 Ne5 16. Be2 Qd5; 15. Bd4 Nd4 16. cd4 Qd5 17. Rh3 Bb5 unclear) Nb4 16. 0-0 Bb5 with counterplay] **15. Bd4 Nd4** [15...Qc7 16. Qe3 and White is slightly better] **16. cd4 Qd2** [16...Qb6 17. 0-0-0 Bb5 18. Bb5 Qb5 19. Kb1 and White is slightly better] **17. Kd2** (and White is slightly better) **Nf4 18. Rac1!** [18. Bf1 h5 19. g5 Rc8 20. Ke3 Ng6 21. Bd3 Ne7] **h5** [18...Nd3 19. Kd3 and White is slightly better] **19. Rhg1! Bc6** [19...Nh3?! 20. Rg3! Nf2 21. gh5 and White is superior] **20. gh5 Nh5 21. b4! a6** [21...Kd8 22. b5 Be8 23. Ke3 g6 24. Rc3 and White is superior; 21...Ke7 22. b5 Bd7 23. Rc7 b6 (23...Rab8 24. b6) 24. Ng5 Rhc8 25. Rgc1 f6 26. Nh3 and White is superior] **22. a4!** [22. Ke3 g6 23. Nd2 Ng7] **Kd8** [22...Ba4 23. Rc7 Bb5 24. Rb7 (24. Bb1!?) Bd3 25. Kd3; 22...Ke7! 23. b5 ab5 24. ab5 Bd7 25. Rc7 b6 (and White is slightly better) 26. Ng5 Rhc8 a) 27. Rb7 Nf4!? (27...Rcb8 28. Rb8 Rb8) 28. Nf7 Ra2 29. Ke3 Nd3 30. Rg7 Rc3 31. Ng5 Kf8 32. Rgd7 Ne5 33. Kf4 Nd7 34. Rd7 Re2; b) 27. Rc8 Rc8 28. Nf7 Kf7 29. Bg6 Kf8 30. Bh5 Rc4] **23. Ng5 Be8 24. b5! Nf4** [better is 24...ab5 25. Bb5 b6 (25...Rf8 26. Be8 Ke8 27. Rc7 Ra4 28. Rb1 Rd4 29. Ke3 Rc4 30. Rcb7 Rc3 31. Kd2 Rc8 32. Ra7 and White is winning; 25...Nf4 26. Ke3) 26. Be8 (26. Ke3 Ra7 27. Rc3 and White is superior) Re8 (26...Ke8 27. Rc7 and White is winning) 27. Nf7 Kd7 28. Nd6 Rf8 and White is superior] **25. b6 Nd3** [25...f6 26. Nf3 and White is winning Nd3 27. Kd3 Bh5 28. Rg7!] **26. Kd3 Rc8** [26...Rh4 27. Rc7 Rc8 28. Nf7 and White is winning] **27. Rc8 Kc8** [R 9/i] **28. Rc1 Bc6 29. Nf7 Rh4 30. Nd6 Kd8** [30...Kd7 31. Nb7 Rh3 32. Ke2 and White is winning] **31. Rg1** [31. Ke3 Rh3 32. f3] **Rh3 32. Ke2 Ra3** [32...Rh7 33. a5 Ke7 34. Ke3 Kf8 35. Rc1 and White is winning] **33. Rg7 Ra4** [33...Ra2 34. Ke3 Ra3 35. Kf4 Ra4 36. Kg5 Rd4 37. Kf6 Rf4 38. Ke6 and White is winning]

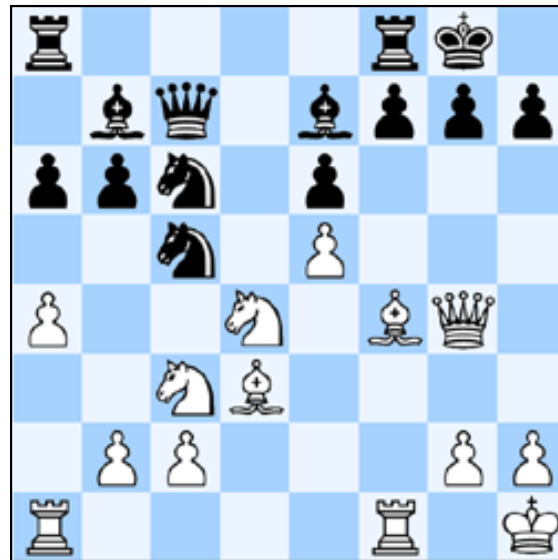


34. f4! Ra2 [34...Rd4 35. f5 ef5 36. e6 Re4 37. Ne4 de4 38. Rc7 and White is winning] **35. Kf3 Ra3 36. Kg4 Rd3** [36...Ra1 37. Nb7 Bb7 38. Rb7 Rg1 39.

Kh5 a5 40. Ra7 Rb1 41. Kg6 Rb6 42. Kf7 and White is winning] **37. f5 Rd4** [37...ef5 38. Kf5 Rh3 (38...Bd7 39. e6 Rf3 40. Kg4) 39. e6] **38. Kg5 ef5 39. Kf6 Rg4 40. Rc7 Rh4 41. Nf7 1 : 0 [Kramnik]**

And. Volokitin 2638 – Rublevsky 2686 Serbia & Montenegro 2004 — 91/207

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 e6 3. d4 cd4 4. Nd4 a6 5. Be2 Nf6 6. Nc3 d6 7. 0-0 Be7 8. f4 0-0 9. a4 Qc7 10. Kh1 b6 11. e5 de5 12. fe5 Nfd7 13. Bf4 Bb7 14. Bd3! (and White is slightly better) **Nc5** only move [[14...Nc6?? 15. Qh5 g6 16. Ne6! fe6 (16...Qc8 17. Qh6 fe6 18. Bg6 hg6 19. Qg6 Kh8 20. Rf3 and White is winning) 17. Bg6 hg6 18. Qg6 Kh8 19. Rf3 and White is winning] **15. Qg4 Nc6?** [a novelty; 15...Nbd7]

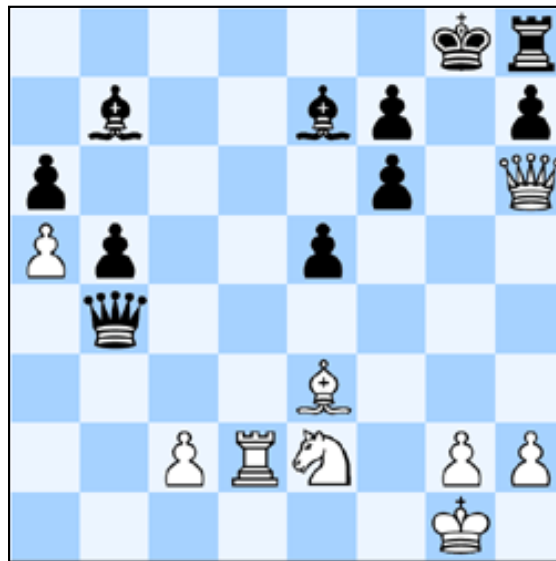


16. Nd5!! [16. Bh6? Qe5 17. Nc6 Bc6 18. Rae1 f5] **ed5 17. e6** [17. Bh7? Kh7 18. Nf5 (18. Ra3 Bc8 19. e6 fe6 and Black is winning) Ne6! (18...g6 19. Qh3 Kg8 20. Qh6 gf5 21. Ra3 and White is winning) 19. Rf3 Rh8 20. Ng7 Ng7 21. Bh6 Qe5 and Black is winning] **Qc8** [17...Qd8 18. Bh6! (18. Bc7?? Qc7 19. Bh7 Kh8 20. Qh5 Bg5) Bf6 (18...g6 19. Nc6 Bc6 20. ef7 Rf7 21. Bg6 Rf1 22. Rf1 and White is winning) 19. Bg7! Bg7 20. Bh7 Kh7 21. Qf5 Kh6 (21...Kg8 22. ef7 Rf7 23. Qf7 Kh8 24. Rf5 Qf8 25. Rh5 Bh6 26. Qg6 and White is winning) 22. Ra3 Bf6 23. Rh3 Bh4 24. Rf4 and White is winning] **18. Bh6 g6 19. Bf8 Bf8** [19...Qf8 20. Rf7 Qh6 21. Nf5 and White is winning; 19...f5 20. Bf5 Qf8 21. Bg6 Qg7 22. Bh7 and White is winning] **20. ef7!** [20. Nc6 Qe6! 21. Qe6 fe6 with counterplay] **Kh8** [20...Kg7 21. Qf4 Qd8 22. b4 Nd3 23. Ne6 Kh8 24. cd3 and White is winning] **21. Bf5 Qc7** [21...Qd8 22. Nc6 Bc6 23. Bg6 and White is winning] **22. Bg6 Ne5 23. Qg3!** (and White is winning) **Bg7** [23...Bd6 24. Qh4; 23...hg6 24. Rae1 (24. b4) Bc8 25. Re5 Kg7 26. Qg5 Qd6 27. Re6! Be6 28. Rf6 Bf7 29. Nf5 Kg8 30. Nd6] **24. Bh7 Kh7 25. Qh3 Bh6** [25...Kg6 26. Ra3 Ned3 27. Rd3 Nd3 28. Qd3] **26. Rf6** [26. f8Q] **Nf7 27. Raf1 Rf8 28. Qh5 Kg8 29. Qg6 Bg7 30. Nf5 Ne6 31. Re6 1 : 0 [And. Volokitin]**

V. Anand 2782 – Rublevsky 2686

Dortmund 2004 — 91/144

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 e6 3. d4 cd4 4. Nd4 a6 5. Nc3 Qc7 6. Bd3 Nf6 7. 0-0 Bc5 8. Nb3 Be7 9. Be3 [9. f4 see 82/211] **d6 10. a4 b6 11. a5** (a novelty, unclear) [11. Qe2; 11. f4] **b5 12. Bb6 Qc6!** [12...Qd7?; 12...Qb7 13. e5 de5 14. Nc5 Qc6 15. Be2!] **13. f4 Nbd7 14. Nd4 Qb7 15. e5 de5** [15...Nb6 16. ab6 a) 16...de5 17. fe5 Qb6 18. Bb5 (18. Kh1 Nd7 see 16...Qb6) Nd7; b) 16...Qb6 17. Kh1 (17. Bb5 Nd7 18. Na4 Qc7 19. Bc6 Rb8 unclear) b1) 17...de5 18. fe5 Nd7 b11) 19. Be4 Bb7 20. Bb7 Qb7 21. Qg4! g6 (21...0-0 22. Ne6 fe6 23. Qe6 Kh8 24. Qe7 Rfe8 25. Qf7 and White is superior) 22. Ne6 fe6 23. Qe6 with attack; b12) 19. Qf3 Qd4! (19...0-0 20. Ne6!) 20. Nb5 (20. Qa8 0-0 and Black is slightly better) Qe5 (20...ab5 21. Ra8 0-0 22. Rc8 Ne5 23. Rf8 Bf8 24. Qe4 and White is superior) 21. Qa8 0-0 22. Na7!; b2) 17...Nd7 18. ed6 Bd6 (18...Qd4 19. Nb5!) 19. Be4 Rb8 20. Nc6 Bc7 21. Qg4 Kf8 22. Nb8 and White is superior] **16. fe5 Ne5 17. Rf6 gf6?!** [17...Nd3! 18. Rf7 Kf7 19. Qd3 Bf6 20. Ne4 Qd5; 20. Rf1 with compensation] **18. Be4 Qb8 19. Nc6 Nc6 20. Bc6 Kf8 21. Qf3 Ra7 22. Qe3 Rc7?** [22...Rb7 23. Qh6 Kg8] **23. Qf4?** [23. Qh6 Kg8 24. Ne4 Rc6 25. Ra3! a) 25...Bb7 26. Bd4! (26. Rg3? Qg3 27. hg3 Rb6!) Rc2 27. Nf6 Bf6 28. Qf6 Rg2 29. Kf1 e5 30. Be5 Qe5 31. Qe5 and White is winning; b) 25...Rc2 26. Bd4! (26. Rg3 Qg3 27. hg3 and White is superior) Rg2 27. Kg2 Bb7 28. Rg3 Qg3 29. Kg3 Be4 30. Bf6 Bf6 31. Qf6 and White is superior] **Rb7 24. Qh6 Kg8 25. Bd4 e5** [25...Qd6 26. Rd1 Qc6 27. Rd3 Qc7 28. Ne4 and White is winning; 25...Qc7 26. Ne4 e5 27. Ra3 Bf5 28. Rg3 Bg6 29. Bd5! Bd8 30. Bc5 Qc5 31. Nc5 and White is winning] **26. Be3** [26. Bf2! a) 26...Qc7 27. Bb7 Bb7 28. Rd1 Qa5 29. Kh1! (29. Rd3 Qa1 30. Nd1 Be4) b4 30. Rd3 Qa1 31. Bg1 Qe1 32. Rd1! and White is winning; b) 26...Qd6 27. Bb7 Bb7 28. Rd1 Qe6 29. Rd3! and White is winning; c) 26...Bf5 27. Nd5 and White is superior] **Qd6 27. Bb7 Bb7 28. Rd1 Qe6 29. b4** [29. Kh1 a) 29...Bf8 30. Rd8 Qe7 31. Rb8 Qd6 32. Rb7!! (32. Re8 b4) Bh6 33. Bh6 f5 34. Rb6 Qb6 35. ab6 f6 36. Nd5 Kf7 37. Nb4 Rd8 38. Be3 f4 39. Bg1 Rd7 40. Na6 and White is winning; b) 29...Qg4 30. Rd2 Qf5 (30...b4 31. Nd5 Bd5 32. Rd5 Qe6 33. Rd3) 31. Nd5 Bd5 32. Rd5 Qe6 33. Rd3 f5 34. Qe6 fe6 35. Rd7 Kf7 36. Bg5 Re8 37. Ra7 e4 unclear; 29. Rd3 Qg4 30. Nd5 Bd5 31. Rd5 Qe6 (31...Qb4 32. Bd2 Qg4 33. Rd3! and White is winning) 32. Rd3 f5 33. Qe6 fe6 34. Rd7 unclear] **Qg4** [29...Bc6 30. Bc5 and White is winning; 29...f5 30. Qe6 fe6 31. Rd7 Bb4 32. Na2 Ba5 33. Rb7 f4 34. Bc5 and White is superior, weak point Kg8, Rh8] **30. Rd2 Qb4 31. Ne2**

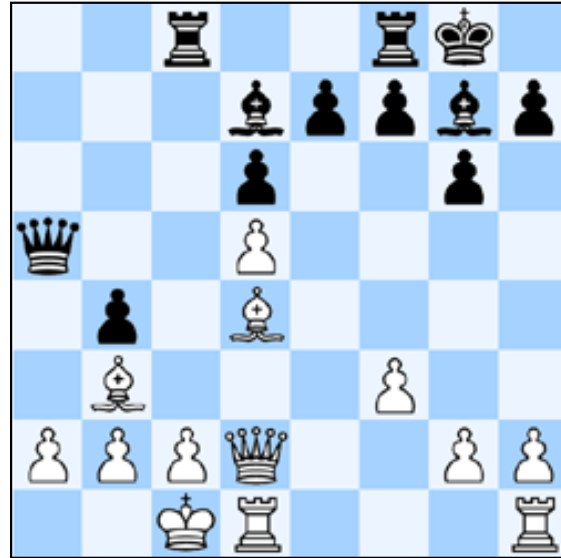


31...f5?! [31...Be4 a) 32. Ng3 Bg6 33. Nh5 (33. h4 f5) Bh5 34. Qh5 h6; b) 32. c3 b1) 32...Qc4? 33. Ng3 Bg6 34. Rd7 Qe6 35. Ra7 b11) 35...Bd8 36. Bc5 Qe8 37. Ra8 f5 38. Kh1 f6 (38...f4 39. Bb6 and White is winning) 39. Ra7 and White is winning; b12) 35...Qd6 36. Ra8 Bf8 37. h4 b4 38. Kh2 (38. Bg5? fg5 39. Nf5 Qc5 40. Kh2 Bf5 and Black is winning) c3 39. Bg5!! fg5 40. Nf5 Bf5 41. Qd6 and White is winning; b2) 32...Qa5 33. Rd7 Qa3 (33...Bf8 34. Qf6 Bg6 35. Rd8 and White is winning) 34. Rc7 Bg6 35. Rc8 Bf8 36. h4 Qe7 37. Nd4 Be4 (37...ed4 38. Bd4) 38. h5 a5 (38...Qd6 39. Bg5! and White is winning) 39. Nb5 a4 40. Bc1 Bf5 41. Rb8 Qc5 42. Kh1 Bc8 43. Qf6 e4 44. Rc8 Qc8 45. Qg5 Bg7 46. h6 Qf8 47. Ba3 f6 48. Bf8 fg5 49. hg7 and White is winning; b3) 32...Qb1 33. Kf2 b31) 33...Bg6 34. g4 (34. h3 Qf5 35. Kg1 Qc8) Bd3 35. Ng3 e4 36. Kg2! Bf8 37. Qf6 h6 38. Nh5 and White is winning; b32) 33...Bd3! b321) 34. Ng3 b3211) 34...Bc4 35. h3! (35. Rd7 Qa2 36. Bd2 Bc5 37. Kf3 Bd5 38. Kg4 Be6 39. Kh4 Qc4 and Black is winning; 36. Rd2 equal) Be6 (35...Qg6 36. Rd7 and White is winning) 36. Rd8!; b3212) 34...f5 b32121) 35. Rd3 Qd3 36. Nh5 Qc2 37. Bd2 (37. Ke1 Qg2) Bc5 38. Ke1 Qe4 39. Kf1 Qc4 40. Ke1 Qh4 41. Kd1 Qg4 42. Kc2 Be7 and Black is winning; b32122) 35. Qc6 f4 36. Qe8 Kg7 37. Qe7 fe3 38. Ke3 Qe1 39. Kd3 and White is winning; 35...Bh4! b321221) 36. Rd3 Qd3 (36...Bg3 37. hg3 Qd3 38. Bh6 Qd8 39. Qa6 f4 40. Ke1! and White is superior) 37. Bh6 Qd8 38. Kg1 (38. Ke2 Bg5 39. Bg5 Qg5 40. Qe8 Kg7 41. Qe5 f6 and Black is slightly better) f4; b321222) 36. Qe8 Kg7 37. Qe5 f6; b322) 34. h3 b4 (34...Be2 35. Re2 Qg6 36. Rd2; 35...f5) b3221) 35. Ng3 Bf8 (35...bc3 36. Nh5 and White is winning) 36. Qh4 bc3 37. Qg4 Bg6 38. Nh5 cd2 39. Nf6 Kg7 40. Ne8 equal; b3222) 35. cb4 Be2 36. Re2 (36. Ke2 Qb4) Qb4 (36...Qf5 37. Kg1 Bf8 38. Rd2!! Bh6 39. Bh6 Qc8 40. Rd3 and White is winning; 36...f5 37. Bc5 Bc5 38. bc5 Qb4 39. Re5 Qd4 40. Qe3 and White is winning) 37. Rc2 Qb7 38. Bb6! (38. Rc4 f5 39. Bb6 Qa8) Bf8 (38...Qb8 39. Rc3 and White is winning) 39. Qf6 Qe7 40. Qf5 h5 41. Rc7 and White is superior; 31...Qg4 32. Ng3 a) 32...Bc8 33. Nh5 Qg6 34. Rd6!! (34. h3 f5) Bb7 35. g3 and White is winning; b) 32...Bc6 33. Nf5 Qf5 34. Rd8 Bd8 35. Bc5 Be7 36. Be7 Qc8 37. h3 (37. Bf6 Qg4) Be4 38. c3 Bg6 39. Bf6 Qf8 40. Qf8 Kf8 41. Bh8 equal] **32. Ng3!** (and White is winning) **f4** [32...Qg4 33. Nf5!! Qf5 34. Rd8 Bd8 35. Bc5 and White is winning] **33. Nf5!** [33. Nh5 Qb1 34. Kf2 fe3 (34...Bh4 35. g3 fe3 36. Ke2 Bf3 37. Kf3 and White is winning) 35. Ke2 Bf3 36. Kf3 (36. gf3 Qg1 and Black is winning) Qf1 37. Ke3 Qe1 38. Kf3 Qf1 39. Rf2 e4 40. Kg4 Qd1 41.

Rf3 f5 42. Kh3 and White is winning] Qb1 34. Kf2 fe3 35. Ke2! 1 : 0 [V. Anand]

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1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 d6 3. d4 cd4 4. Nd4 Nf6 5. Nc3 g6 6. Be3 Bg7 7. f3 0-0 8. Qd2 Nc6 9. Bc4 Bd7 10. 0-0-0 Rc8 11. Bb3 Nd4 12. Bd4 b5 13. Ba7 [13. Nd5 Nd5 14. Bg7 Kg7 15. ed5 a5 16. a3 b4 17. ab4 ab4 18. Qb4 Kg8 19. Rhe1 Rb8 20. Qc3 Re8 see 90/(188); 20...Qb6] b4 14. Nd5 Nd5 15. ed5 Qa5 16. Bd4

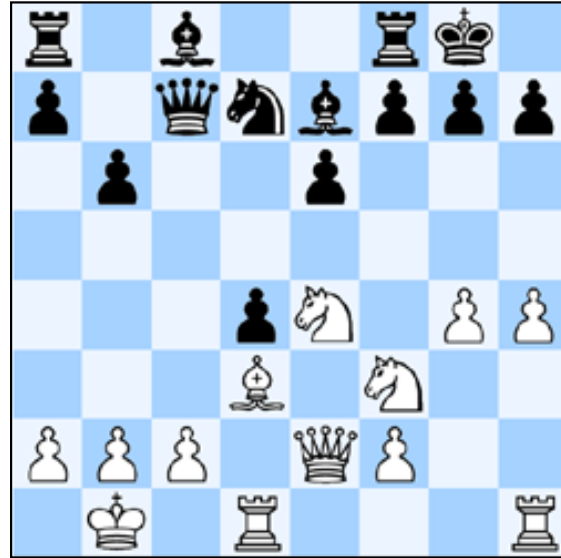


16...Rc2!! [a novelty; 16...Ba4; 16...e5; 16...Bd4] **17. Bc2** [17. Kc2? Bf5 and Black is winning; 17. Qc2!? Rc8 18. Qc8 Bc8 19. Kb1 Bf5 20. Ka1 Bd4 21. Rd4 Qc5 22. Rhd1 (22. Rc4 Qf2 23. Rb4 Qg2 and Black is superior; 22. Rd2 Qe3 23. Rhd1 h5 and Black is slightly better) Bc2 23. Bc2! (23. Rc4?! Qc4 24. Bc4 Bd1 25. a3 ba3 26. ba3 Kg7 27. Kb2 Kf6 28. Bb3 Be2 29. a4 Ke5 30. Kc3 Ba6 with the idea Bb7 and Black is superior) Qc2 24. R4d2 Qc5 25. Re2 Kf8 26. Rde1 Qd5 27. Re7 h5 28. R7e2 Kg7 29. Re7 Qd2 30. R7e2 Qd4 31. Re4 Qd2 32. R4e2 equal] **Qa2 18. Qf2?!** [18. Qb4? Bh6 19. Rd2 Qa1 20. Bb1 Bf5 and Black is winning; 18. Bg7? Qa1 19. Bb1 Rc8 20. Bc3 Bf5 and Black is winning; 18. b3? Rc8 19. Bg7 (19. Qf2 Bd4 20. Rd4 Qa1 21. Kd2 Rc2!! and Black is winning) Bf5 20. Bb2 Qb3 and Black is winning; 18. Qe3 Rc8 19. Kd2 Rc2!! 20. Kc2 Qc4 21. Kd2 Bd4 22. Qe7 (22. Qd3 Qd5 23. g4 Bb5 and Black is winning) Bb5 with compensation] **Rc8 19. Kd2 Rc2!! 20. Kc2 Qc4 21. Kd2** [21. Bc3 Bf5 and Black is winning] **Bd4 22. Qe2 Bc3!! 23. Ke3 Qc5 24. Ke4 Bf5 25. Kf4 Be5 26. Kg5 f6 27. Kh4 g5** [28. Kh5 Bg6 29. Kh6 (29. Kg4 Qc8#) Qc8 with the idea Qf8#] **0 : 1** [B. Kadziolka]

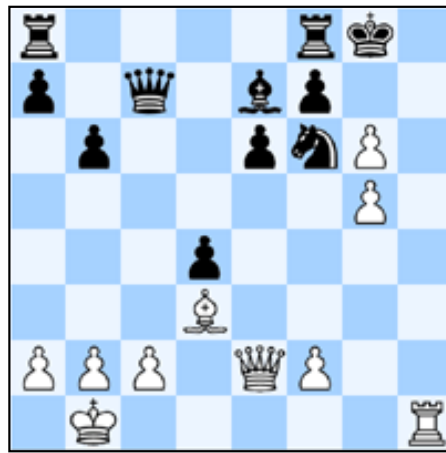
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1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. Nc3 Nf6 4. Bg5 de4 5. Ne4 Be7 6. Bf6 Bf6 7. Nf3 0-0 8.

Bd3 Nd7 9. Qe2 c5 10. 0-0-0 cd4 11. g4 Be7 [a novelty; 11...g6] **12. h4 Qc7 13. Kb1** [13. g5! Ne5 (13...Qf4 14. Kb1 b6 15. h5 with attack) 14. Ne5 (14. Nf6? gf6 15. Bh7 Kh7 16. Ne5 Qe5 17. Qh5 Kg8!) Qe5 15. Qg4 Kh8 16. f4 with initiative] **b6**



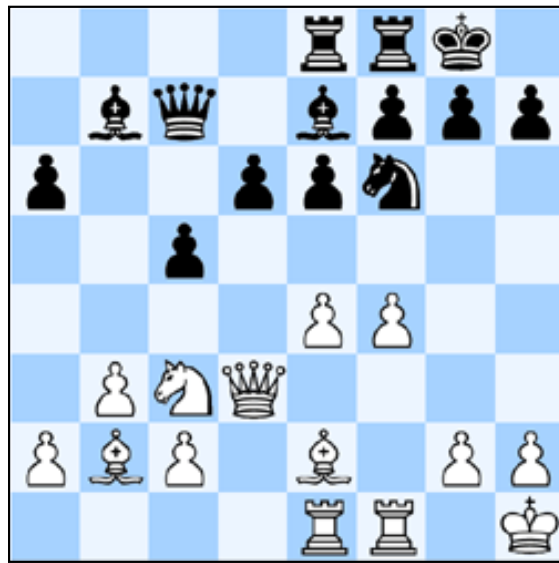
14. Nfg5!? [14. g5 Bb7 15. h5 Ne5 unclear; 14. Neg5!? Nf6 a) 15. Nh7? Nh7 16. Bh7 Kh7 17. Qe4 Kg8 with the idea 18. Qa8? Bb7, with the idea 18. Ng5 g6; b) 15. Nd4 Bd7! (15...Bb7 16. Rhe1 (with the idea Nde6!) Bb4 17. c3 Bc5 18. Qc2 h6 19. Nge6 fe6 20. Ne6 Qf7 21. g5 and White is superior) 16. Nge6! (16. Ngf3 Nd5) fe6 17. g5 Bc5 only move (17...e5? 18. gf6 Bf6 19. Qe4! ed4 20. Qh7 Kf7 21. Rhe1 Rg8 22. b3!! b5 23. Be4 Bc6 24. Qh5 Kf8 25. Qc5! Be7 26. Qf5!! Bf6 27. Bc6 Qc6 28. Re6 Qc7 29. Rd4; 29. Rde1 and White is winning) 18. Ne6 Be6 19. Qe6 Qf7 20. Qf7 Kf7 21. gf6 Kf6 and White is slightly better] **Bb7?!** [14...h6 15. Nf3! (15. Ng3?! Nc5 16. Nh7 Rd8 17. g5 Nd3 18. Qd3 a5! 19. gh6 Ba6 20. Qf3 Kh7 21. hg7 Kg7 and Black is superior) Ne5 (15...Bb7 16. g5 h5 17. g6! with attack) 16. Ne5 Qe5 17. g5 with attack] **15. Nh7! Kh7 16. Nf6 Kh8 17. g5 Nf6** [17...g6 18. h5 Bh1 a) 19. hg6? Qh2! 20. f4 Qh3! (20...Qh4 21. Qg4! and White is winning) 21. Qg4 Bg2! and Black is winning; b) 19. Rh1 b1) 19...Kg7 20. hg6 Nf6 (20...Rh8 21. Nh5 Kg8 22. g7 and White is winning) 21. gf6 Bf6 22. Rh7 Kg8 23. Qh5 fg6 24. Qg6 Qg7 (24...Bg7 25. Rh8 Kh8 26. Qh7#) 25. Rg7 Bg7 26. Qe6 and White is winning; b2) 19...Nf6 b21) 20. gf6 Bf6 b211) 21. hg6 Kg8 22. g7 (22. Qh5 fg6) Rfe8 and Black is winning; b212) 21. Qf3 Kg7! 22. h6 Kh7 23. Qf6 Rg8 and Black is superior; b22) 20. hg6! Kg8



21. f4!! Qf4 (21...fg6 22. Qe6 Kg7 23. Rh6 Rf7 24. Rg6 Kf8 25. Bc4 Bd8 26. gf6 and White is winning) 22. gf6 Qf6 (22...Bf6 23. Qh5 and White is winning) 23. gf7 Rf7 24. Qg2 Rg7 25. Qa8 Qf8 26. Qe4 and White is winning] **18. gf6 g6** [18...Qf4? 19. Qh5 Qh6 20. fg7 Kg7 21. Rhg1 and White is winning] **19. fe7 Qe7 20. Rhg1!** [20. Be4 Be4 21. Qe4 Qf6 and White is slightly better] **Qf6!** [20...e5 21. Rg5 e4 22. Rdg1! Kg7 (22...ed3 23. Qh5) 23. Bc4 Rac8 24. Qg4 Rc6 25. h5 and White is winning] **21. Rg3 e5 22. Rdg1 e4 23. Bc4!** [weak point f7] **Qh4?!** [23...d3! a) 24. Qe3 dc2 25. Kc1 (25. Kc2 Kg7 unclear) Kg7 26. h5 Rad8 27. hg6 Rd1 28. Kc2 Rg1 29. Rg1 fg6 30. Kb1 with compensation; b) 24. cd3! ed3 25. Bd3 Rae8 26. Qd2 Kg7 27. h5 and White is superior] **24. Qf1!!** [24. Qd1 e3!] **Kg7** [24...Qf6 25. Bf7 (25. Qg2!?) Rf7 26. Rg6 Qg6 27. Rg6 Rh7 28. Qd1 Rd8 29. Rg1 and White is winning] **25. Bf7! Rf7** [25...Kf7 26. Qc4 Ke8 27. Rg6 Qf2 28. Qe6 Kd8 29. Qd6 Kc8 30. Rg8 Qe1 31. Re1 Rg8 32. Rh1 and White is winning; 25...Qg3! 26. Rg3 Rf7 27. Qg2! (27. Qc4? Rf2 28. Qd4 Rf6 and White is slightly better) Rf6 28. Rh3! Rh8 (28...Bc8 29. Rh4 Bf5 30. Qh2 g5 31. Qc7 Rf7 32. Qe5 Kg6 33. Qd6 Rf6 34. Rh6 Kh6 35. Qf6 Bg6 36. Qd4 and White is winning) 29. Rh8 Kh8 30. Qh2 Kg7 31. Qe5! (31. Qc7 Rf7 32. Qe5 Kh6 33. Qd4 and White is superior) d3 32. cd3 ed3 33. Kc1 Bf3 34. Kd2 Be2 35. b4] **26. Rg6 Kf8 27. Qc4 Qf4** [27...d3 28. Qb4 Ke8 29. Re6 and White is winning] **28. Qe6 1 : 0** [Sutovsky]

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1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 e6 3. d4 cd4 4. Nd4 Nc6 5. Nc3 Qc7 6. Be2 a6 7. 0-0 Nf6 8. Kh1 Be7 9. f4 d6 10. Nc6 bc6 11. Qd3 0-0 12. b3 Bb7 [a novelty; 12...c5 see 83/(210)] **13. Bb2 c5 14. Rae1 Rae8!?** [14...d5 15. e5 Nd7 16. Qh3 and White is slightly better]

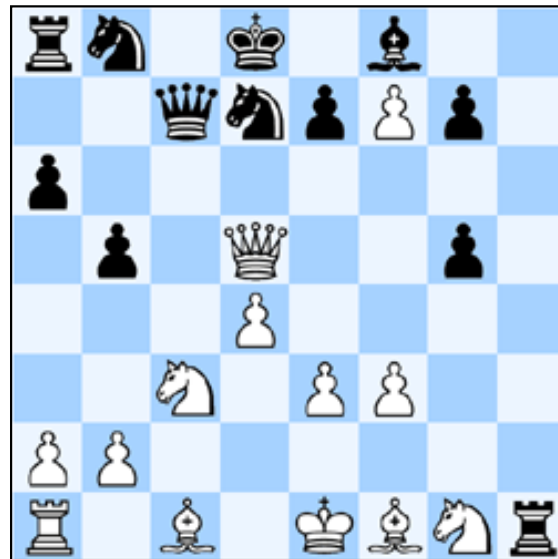


15. Qh3!! [15. Qg3 d5 16. e5 Nd7 equal] **Ne4** [15...d5 16. e5 Nd7 17. Bd3 and White is slightly better] **16. Bd3 Nf6** [16...d5 17. Ne4 de4 18. Be4 Be4 19. Re4 Qd8 (19...Rd8? 20. Qg3 g6 21. Qc3 f6 22. Re6 and White is winning) 20. Qg3 Bf6; 20. Qe3! and White is slightly better, weak point a6, c5] **17. Re3** [17. Nd5?! Bd5 18. Bf6 g6 and Black is slightly better] **g6** [17...Rd8? 18. Nd5! Bd5 19. Bf6 g6 (19...h6 20. Qh6! gh6 21. Rg3#) 20. Qh7! Kh7 21. Rh3 Kg8 22. Rh8#; 17...h6! 18. Rg3 Kh8 19. Nd1! (19. Rg7 Kg7 20. Qg3 Kh8 21. Qh3 Kg7 equal) Rg8 20. Ne3 Qd8! (20...d5 21. Bf6 Bf6 22. Ng4 and White is winning) 21. Rg5! a) 21...Ref8? 22. Bf6 Bf6 23. Rh5 and White is winning; b) 21...Bc8? 22. Rh5! Nh5 23. Qh5 b1) 23...Bf6 24. Qf7 e5 (24...Bb2 25. Qg6 and White is winning) 25. fe5 de5 26. Qg6 e4 27. Rf6 ed3 28. Qh6 gh6 29. Rh6#; b2) 23...e5 24. fe5 Bf8 (24...Bg5 25. Qf7 and White is winning) 25. e6 Re6 (25...Qg5 26. Qg5 hg5 27. Rf3! Be6 28. g4 and White is winning) 26. Qf5 Rg6 27. Qf7 Rg5 28. Rf6! and White is winning; c) 21...Qa8!! c1) 22. Rh5 Nh5 23. Qh5 e5 24. Qf5 g6 (24...e4 25. Bc4 with compensation) 25. Qh3 Rg7 26. fe5 Bg5 27. Ng4 with compensation; c2) 22. Bf6 Bf6 23. Rh5 g6 24. Rh6 Kg7 25. Rh7 (and White is slightly better) Kf8 26. Re1 with initiative; c3) 22. Rf3!! Bf3 23. gf3 (with attack) Qd8 (23...d5 24. Bf6! Bf6 25. Ng4! Bg5 26. fg5 and White is winning; 23...c4 24. Nc4 Rd8 25. Ne3 (with attack) Qa7 26. Rh5! Nh5 27. Qh5 e5 28. Ng4 Bf8 29. fe5 and White is winning) 24. Rh5 Nh5 25. Qh5 Bf6 26. Qf7 e5 27. Qg6 e4 28. fe4 Be5 (28...Bb2 29. e5) 29. fe5 de5 30. Ng4 and White is winning] **18. Nd1 c4!** [18...d5 19. Be5 Qc6 (19...Qd8 20. Qh6 and White is winning) 20. Qh4 c4 (20...Nh5? 21. Qh5; 20...Ne4? 21. Qh7) 21. Be2 and White is superior] **19. bc4 Qc5 20. f5!** [20. Qh6? Qh5!] **e5** [20...ef5 21. Re7 Re7 22. Bf6 Re6 23. Qh4 and White is winning; 20...Bd8 21. Qh6 Qc6 (21...ef5 22. Bf6 Bf6 23. Rh3) 22. Be4 (22. Rg1? ef5 23. Bf6 Bf6 24. Rh3 Qg2! 25. Rg2 Re1) Qc4 23. Rg1 Be4 24. Bf6 Bf6 25. Rh3 Bg2 26. Rg2 Bh4 27. Ne3! and White is winning] **21. Rg3 Be4** [21...Rb8 22. Bc3] **22. Ne3** [22. Bc1!?] **Bd3 23. cd3 Kh8 24. Bc1** [24. fg6 fg6 25. Rg6 Nh5! 26. Rh6 Rf1 27. Nf1 Rf8 28. Rh7 (28. Ne3 Qb4) Kh7 29. Qh5 Kg7 30. Qg4 equal] **Rg8** [24...Nh5 25. Rgf3 Nf4 26. Rf4! ef4 27. Bb2 Kg8 28. Qh6 f6 29. fg6 and White is winning; better is 24...Qd4 25. Ng4 e4 (25...Ng4 26. Rg4 and White is superior) 26. Qh6! a) 26...Rg8 27. Nf6 Bf6 28. Qh7! Kh7 29. Rh3 Bh4 30. Rh4 Kg7 31. f6 Qf6 (31...Kf8 32. Bh6 Rg7 33. Bg7 Kg8 34. Rh8#) 32. Bh6 Kh7 33. Rf6; b) 26...ed3 27. Nf6 Qf6 28. Rh3 Qg7 29. Qg7 Kg7 30. Bh6 Kg8 31. Bf8 Bf8 32. Rd3; c) 26...Ng8 27. Qf4 and White is superior] **25. fg6 fg6**

26. Nd5! Nd5 [26...Nh5 27. Rgf3 and White is winning] **27. Qh7!** [27...Kh7 28. Rh3 Kg7 29. Bh6 Kh8 30. Bf8 Bh4 31. Rh4#] **1 : 0** [N. Short]

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1. d4 d5 2. c4 c6 3. Nc3 Nf6 4. e3 a6 5. Qc2 Bg4 6. f3 Bh5 7. Qb3 b5 8. cd5 cd5 [8...Nd5 see 80/(390)] **9. g4 Bg6 10. g5** [a novelty; 10. h4] **Nfd7 11. h4! h6** [11...e6 12. h5 Bf5 13. e4 de4 14. fe4 Bg4 15. Rh4 and White is winning; 11...Nb6 12. a4! Qd6 (12...b4 13. a5! and White is superior) 13. ab5 (13. Kf2) Qg3 14. Ke2 a5 15. Nd5 N8d7 16. Nb6 Nb6 17. Qc3 Rc8 18. Qa5 and White is superior] **12. h5! hg5** [12...Bh7 13. Qd5 Ra7 14. g6 and White is superior] **13. hg6!!** and White is superior [13. Qd5 Nb6 14. Qg5 e6 unclear] **Rh1 14. Qd5 Qc7** [14...e6 15. Qa8 Rg1 16. Kf2 Rh1 17. Bg2 Rh6 18. gf7 Kf7 19. Bd2 and White is superior] **15. gf7 Kd8**

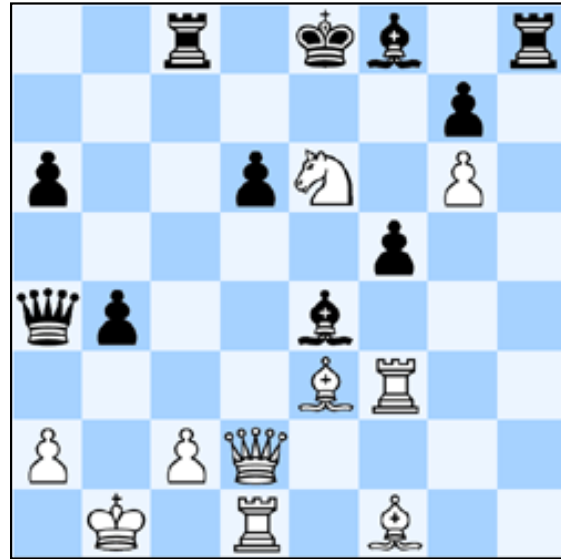


16. Nh3!! Ra7 17. f4! Qc6 18. Ng5 Qh6 [18...Qd5 19. Nd5 and White is winning, with the idea Bd2, Rc1, weak point Kd8, Bf8, e6] **19. Bd2 Qh4 20. Ke2 Kc8 21. Nb5!! Rh2** [21...ab5 22. Rc1 Rc7 23. Rc7 Kc7 24. Ba5 Kc8 25. Bg2 and White is winning; 21...Qg4 22. Kd3 and White is winning] **22. Kd3 ab5 23. Ne6!** and White is winning [23. Ba5? Rc7! 24. Bc7 Qf2] **Rd2** [23...Na6 24. Rc1 Nc7 (24...Kb8 25. Nf8) 25. Ba5] **24. Kd2 Qf2 25. Be2 Nb6 26. Rc1 Nc4 27. Rc4 bc4 28. Qc5 Kb7 29. Nd8 Ka8 30. Qd5 Nc6 31. Qc6 Kb8 32. Qb6 Ka8 33. Nc6** **1 : 0** [Bruzon]

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1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 d6 3. d4 cd4 4. Nd4 Nf6 5. Nc3 a6 6. Be3 e6 7. f3 b5 8. g4 h6 9. Qd2 Nbd7 10. 0-0-0 Bb7 11. h4 b4 12. Na4 Qa5 13. b3 Rc8 14. Rg1 Nc5 [14...Ne5?! 15. g5 hg5 16. hg5 Nfd7 17. g6 and White is superior; 14...g6 15. g5 hg5 16. hg5 Nh5 17. Kb1 and White is slightly better] **15. g5 hg5** [15...Nfd7?! 16. g6 Na4 17. ba4 Qa4 (17...f5 18. Ne6 Qa4 19. Bd4 and

White is superior) 18. gf7 Kf7 19. Kb1 Rc3 20. Bh3 Nc5 21. Nb3 and White is superior; 15...Na4 16. ba4 hg5 17. hg5 Nd7 18. g6 f5 (18...Qa4 19. gf7 Kf7 see 86/223) 19. Ne6 Qa4 20. Bd4?! Qa2 21. ef5 Bd5! 22. Nf8 Nc5 23. Qe3 Kf8 24. Bg7 Kg8! 25. Kd2 Rh2 26. Rg2 Rg2 27. Bg2 Ne4 equal; 20. Kb1! see 15...hg5] **16. hg5 Nfd7 17. g6 f5!?** [a novelty; 17...Na4 18. gf7 Kf7 19. ba4 Qa4 see 15...Na4] **18. Kb1 Na4** [18...fe4 19. Nc5 Nc5 20. Rg5 and White is superior] **19. ba4 Qa4** [19...Nc5 20. Nb3 unclear] **20. Ne6 Ne5** [20...fe4? 21. Rg5! ef3 22. Bd4 and White is winning] **21. Rg3!** [21. Nf8 Nf3 22. Qd6 Qc2 equal; 21. Ng5 Be7 22. ef5 Bg5 23. Bg5 Bd5 equal] **Nf3** [21...fe4?! 22. Bc5! (and White is superior) ef3?! 23. Qf4 Qd7 24. Bh3 and White is winning; 21...Rh1!? 22. Bc5 Rf1 23. Rf1 Qb5! unclear] **22. Rf3 Be4**

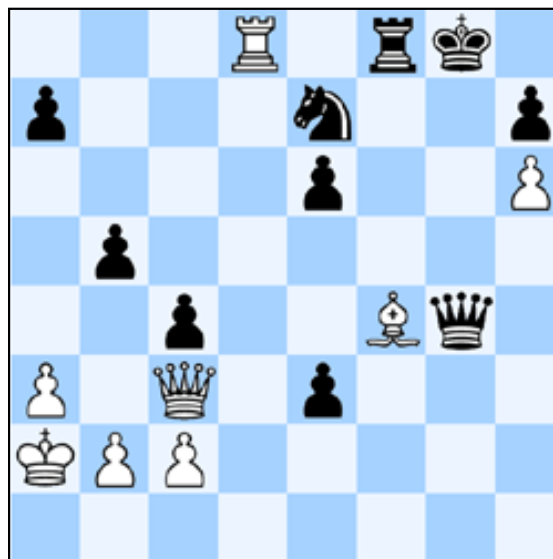


23. Bc5!! [23. Nc5!? Rc5 24. Bc5 Bf3 25. Re1 Be4 26. Bd3 Qc6 27. Be4 fe4 28. Bd4 Kd7 29. Qf4 d5 30. Rf1 Be7 31. Bg7 Rc8 unclear; 23. Nd4 Bd5 (23...Rc2 24. Nc2 b3 25. ab3 Qb3 26. Ka1!? Bf3 27. Rb1 Qa4 28. Kb2 Be7 29. Ra1 Qg4 30. Bd4 and White is slightly better) 24. Bc4 Bc4 25. Nb3 Qc6! 26. Rf5 Be7 27. Re1 (27. Bg5 Rh1 28. Be7 Ke7 29. Rf4 Rd1 30. Qd1 Qg2 unclear) Rh4 28. Bg5 Re4 29. Na5 Re1 30. Qe1 Ba2 31. Ka1 Qd7 32. Ka2 Qa4 33. Kb1 Qc2 equal] **Bf3** [23...Qd7 24. Ng5! Bf3 (24...Rc5 25. Ne4 fe4 26. Rf7 and White is winning) 25. Re1 Be7 26. Bd6 Rd8 27. Bc5!! (27. Bb4? Qb7 28. Ba6 Rd2 29. Bb7 Rh1 equal) Be4 (27...Qd2 28. Re7 Kf8 29. Ne6 Kg8 30. Rg7#; 27...Qc7 28. Qe3 Be4 29. Ne4 fe4 30. Bb6 Qc6 31. Bd8 Rh2 32. Bd3 Kd8 33. Be4 and White is superior) 28. Ne4 fe4 29. Qf4 Qd1 30. Rd1 Rd1 31. Kb2 Bc5 32. Be2 Bd4 33. Kb3 Rh3 34. c3! Rc3 35. Kb4 Rb1 36. Ka4 and White is superior] **24. Re1** [24. Ng7? Kd7 25. Nf5 Bd1 26. Qd1 b3! 27. ab3 Qf4 and Black is winning] **Be4** [24...Rh1 25. Qf4! Rf1 26. Ng7 Kd8 27. Bb6 Rc7 28. Bc7 Kc7 29. Qc4 and White is winning] **25. Bd3 Qc6!** [25...Rh4 26. Qf2 Rh1 27. Be4 Re1 28. Qe1 fe4 29. Qe4 Kd7 30. Qb7 Ke6 31. Qc8 Qd7 32. Qa6 Kf6 33. Bb4 and White is superior; 25...Rc5 26. Nc5 Qa5 (26...dc5 27. Be4 fe4 28. Rd1 and White is winning) 27. Ne4 fe4 28. Re4 Be7 29. Qe1 and White is superior] **26. Be4** [26. Qf4?! Rh1 27. Rh1 dc5 28. Be4 Qe4 29. Qe4 fe4 30. Nf8 Rc6! 31. Nh7 Rg6 equal; 26. Re4?! fe4 27. Qf4 Qd7 28. Qe4 Qe7 equal] **fe4 27. Qf4 Be7** [27...Kd7 28. Qf5 and White is winning] **28. Rd1!** [28. Qf7?! Kd7 29. Qf5 Rh5 30. Qh5 Ke6 31. Qg4 Ke5 equal] **Bf6!** [28...Kd7 29. Qf5 Qa4 30. Ng7 Kc7 31. Qe4 dc5 32. Qe7 Kb6 (32...Kb8 33. Qd6 Kb7 34. Nf5 and White is superior) 33. Nf5 Rhe8 (33...Qe8

34. g7 Rg8 35. Re1 Qe7 36. Ne7 Rcd8 37. Ng8 Rg8 38. Re6 Kc7 39. Rg6 and White is winning) 34. Qf6 Rc6 35. Nd6 and White is superior] **29. Ng7 Bg7 30. Qf7 Kd8 31. Qg7 Qc5 32. Qh8 Kc7** [32...Kd7 33. Qh7 Kc6 34. g7 Qc4 35. Qf5 Kb7 36. Rd2 and White is superior] **33. g7 Kb7** [33...Kb6 34. Qh2 and White is superior] **34. Qh2 Rg8?** [34...Qc3! 35. Rg1 (35. Qg2 Rg8 36. Qe4 Kb8 37. Rd6 Rg7 38. Qf4 Rc7 equal) Rg8 36. Qd6 Rg7 37. Rg7 Qg7 38. Qb4 Ka7 39. Qe4 and White is slightly better] **35. Qh7** (and White is superior) **Qc4 36. Qg6 Rc8 37. Qg2 Qe6** [37...Kc7 38. Re1 Re8 39. Qg5!] **38. Rf1 Qd5 39. Re1 Re8 40. Qg6 Rg8 41. Re4 a5 42. Qg2! Qc6?!** [42...Ka6 43. Qf1 Kb6 (43...Kb7 44. Re7 Kb6 45. Rf7 Qc6 46. Qd3 and White is superior) 44. Rg4 Qe5 (44...Kc7 45. Qg1 Qc5 46. Rg5 and White is winning) 45. Qg1 Ka6 (45...Qc5 46. Rg5 and White is winning) 46. Rg5! Qf6 47. Rg3 Qe7 48. a4! and White is superior] **43. Rg4! Qg2 44. Rg2** (and White is winning) **Kc6 45. Kc1 Kd5** [45...Kb5 46. Kd2 Ka4 47. Rg5] **46. Kd2 Ke4 47. Rg1** (zugzwang) **d5 48. Rg2** [48. Rg6? Kf5 49. Rg2 Kf6 equal] **Kf3 49. Rg6** [49...Ke4 50. Rg1 Ke5 (50...a4 51. Rg2 Kf3 52. Rg6 Ke4 53. Rg1 d4 54. Rg2 Kf3 55. Rg6 Ke4 56. Rg1) 51. Kd3 Ke6 52. Kd4 Kf7 53. Rg2 Ke6 54. Kc5 Kf7 55. Kb5 Rb8 56. Ka5 Kg8 57. Ka4 Rb7 58. Kb3 Rb8 59. Rg5 Rb5 60. Ka4 Rc5 61. Rg2 Rc4 62. Kb5 Re4 63. Kc5] **1 : 0** [J. van Oosterom]

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1. e4 c6 2. d4 d5 3. f3 e6 4. Nc3 Bb4 5. Bf4 Ne7 6. Qd3 b6 7. Nge2 Ba6 8. Qe3 0-0 9. 0-0-0 c5!? **10. a3** [10. dc5 Bc5 (10...bc5!?) 11. Qd2 Nbc6 12. ed5 ed5 13. Bg5 Rc8 unclear; 10. ed5 ed5 11. dc5 Bc5] **Bc3 11. Qc3** [11. Nc3 Bf1 12. Rhf1 Nbc6 13. dc5 d4 14. Qe2 Ng6 15. Bg3 bc5 and Black is slightly better] **Be2!** [11...Nd7 12. Bd6] **12. Be2 c4** (and Black is slightly better) **13. h4 b5** [a novelty; 13...Nbc6 14. h5 b5 15. h6 g6 16. g4 Nc8 17. Qe3 Nb6 18. Bg5 f6 19. Bh4 Qd7 and Black is slightly better] **14. Qe1 Nbc6 15. h5 Qd7** [15...f5 a) 16. Qh4 fe4 (16...Qd7 17. Be3 fe4 18. fe4 de4 19. Qe4) 17. fe4 de4 18. Bg5; b) 16. h6 g6 17. Qh4 fe4 18. fe4 de4 19. Bg5; 15...a5 16. g4 b4 17. h6 g6] **16. g4** [16. h6 g6 17. Qh4 f6 18. c3 a5] **f6 17. Bf1 Rad8** [17...de4 18. fe4 Nd4 19. h6 g5 20. Bd2 Nec6; 17...a5 18. Bh3 b4 19. h6 (19. a4 Nd8 20. b3 cb3 21. cb3 Rc8 22. Kb2 Rc3 23. Rc1 Rc1 24. Bc1 Ndc6 and Black is winning) g6; 17...Nd4!? 18. Rd4 (18. Qf2 e5 19. Be3 de4 20. Bd4 ed4 21. Rd4 Qc7 and Black is slightly better) e5 19. Rd1 ef4 20. Qd2 Rad8 21. Qf4 Qe6] **18. Bh3 de4?** [18...a5 19. g5 f5 20. e5 b4 and Black is slightly better] **19. fe4 Nd4 20. g5 f5** [20...fg5 21. Bg5 Qe8 22. h6 g6 23. Rd4 Rd4 24. Be6 Kh8 25. Qg3 Nc6 26. Qc7 and White is winning] **21. Kb1** [21. h6 Nec6 22. hg7 Qg7 23. ef5 ef5 24. Kb1 and White is superior] **Qc6 22. h6! fe4 23. Qc3 e3!** [23...Qb6 24. Rd4 Rd4 25. Bc7!] **24. Rd4!** [24. Qe3 Ndf5 25. Bf5 Nf5 26. Qa7 and White is superior] **Qh1** [24...b4 25. ab4 Qh1 26. Ka2] **25. Ka2 Qh3 26. Rd8 gh6** [26...Nf5 27. Rf8 Kf8 28. hg7 Ng7 29. Qf6 Kg8 30. Be5 Ne8 31. Qh8 Kf7 32. g6! Kg6 33. Qe8 Kf5 34. Qb5 and White is winning] **27. gh6 Qg4**



28. Qh8! 1 : 0 [Bologan]

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