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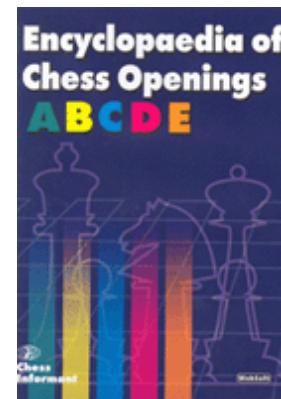
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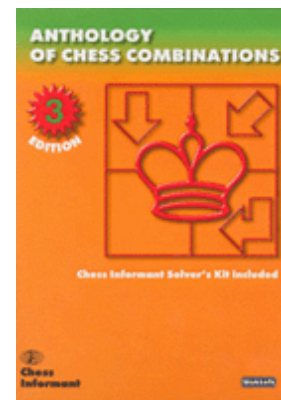
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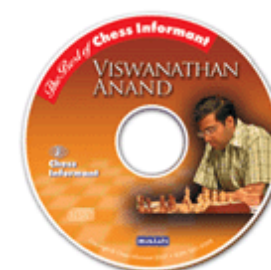


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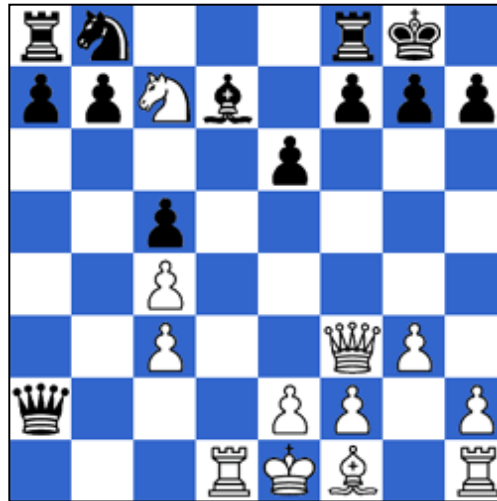
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1. P. H. NIELSEN – IVANCHUK	418	10	9	–	5	8	10	10	–	52
2. SANDIPAN – TIVIAKOV	413	9	8	7	4	7	8	4	4	51
3. SHIROV – IVANCHUK	263	–	10	10	3	1	9	9	5	47
4. P. ELIANOV – SERGEY KARJAKIN	279	8	–	9	2	4	7	7	9	46
5. GRISCHUK – RUBLEVSKY	155	–	–	5	9	–	3	5	10	32
6. MI. ADAMS – NISIPLEANU	181	5	2	–	–	10	–	3	7	27
7. A. ONISCHUK – SHABALOV	331	7	4	2	–	9	–	–	–	22
8. I. IVANISEVIC – MILADINOVIC	342	3	1	8	8	2	–	–	–	22
9. I. ROGERS – R. BERZINS	430	6	–	–	6	6	–	1	–	19
10. SERGEY KARJAKIN – VAN WELY	168	2	6	–	–	3	4	2	–	17
11. KRAMNIK – A. NAIDITSCH	377	–	–	–	–	–	8	6	–	14
12. MITON – IVANCHUK	397	–	7	–	7	–	–	–	–	14
13. M. GUREVICH – LÉKÓ	422	–	5	–	–	–	6	–	3	14
14. B. GELFAND – D. BOCHAROV	395	–	–	–	10	–	–	–	1	11
15. AN. KARPOV – KI. GEORGIEV	429	–	–	3	–	–	6	2	–	11
16. BECERRA RIVERO – J. SARKAR	44	4	–	1	–	5	–	–	–	10
17. LÉKÓ – BAREEV	67	–	–	–	–	–	–	8	–	8
18. EVGENY ALEKSEEV – MOROZEVICH	319	–	–	6	1	–	–	–	–	7
19. NISIPLEANU – MI. ADAMS	269	–	–	–	–	5	–	–	–	5
20. ENAM. HOSSAIN – BA. JOBAYA	112	–	–	4	–	–	1	–	–	5
21. H. NAKAMURA – A. ONISCHUK	227	–	3	–	–	–	–	–	–	3
22. B. GELFAND – LÉKÓ	343	–	–	–	–	–	2	–	–	2
23. S. SOLOVJOV – V. LOGINOV	166	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1
24. A. VOLOKITIN – BAREEV	61	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	0
25. KAMSKY – NISIPLEANU	112	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	0
26. LÉKÓ – M. GUREVICH	191	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	0
27. BU XIANGZHI – MOTYLEV	292	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	0
28. P. ELIANOV – RUBLEVSKY	340	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	0
29. L'AMI – D. STELLWAGEN	345	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	0
30. PROHÁSZKA – MI. MESZAROS	358	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	0

1. P.H. Nielsen 2649 – Ivanchuk 2729 La Habana 2007 – 100/418 [E20]

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 c5 4.Nc3 cd4 5.Nd4 Bb4 6.g3 Ne4 7.
Qd3 Bc3 8.bc3 Nc5 9.Qf3 d6 10.Ba3 [10.Bg2 see 99/373]
10...0-0 11.Rd1 [a novelty; 11.Bg2; 11.Nb3!?] 11...Qa5! 12.Nb5
[12.Bc5 dc5 13.Nb3 Qa2 14.Nc5 Qc4 15.Qe3 Nc6 and Black is
superior] 12...Bd7! [12...Nba6 13.Bc5 Nc5 14.Bg2 (14.Nd6 Bd7 15.
Bg2 Bc6 16.e4 f5 17.Qe3 with counterplay) 14...d5 15.0-0 Bd7 16.
Qe3] 13.Bb4 [13.Bc5 dc5 14.e4 (14.Nd6 Bc6?! 15.e4 see 14.Nd6;
14...Qa2!) 14...Bc6 15.Nd6 (15.Be2 Nd7 16.Qe3 Nf6 17.f3 Bb5 18.
cb5 c4 and Black is slightly better) 15...Nd7 16.Qe3 Nb6 17.Be2
(17.f3 Rad8 18.Be2 Na4 and Black is superior) 17...Na4 18.Rd3
Rad8 19.0-0 Nc3 20.Bh5! Na4 21.e5 with compensation] 13...Qa2
14.Bc5 [14.Rd6 Bc6 15.Qf4 Nba6 (15...Bh1 16.Bc5 Nc6 17.Rd2
Qb3 18.Bf8 Rf8 19.f3 with counterplay) 16.Bc5 Nc5 17.f3 Qa5 18.

Bg2 Na4 and Black is superior; 14.Qe3 Bc6 15.f3 a5 16.Bc5 dc5 17.Nd6 Nd7 and Black is superior; 14.Nd6 a) 14...Nba6 15.Qe3 Bc6 16.f3 Na4! (16...Ba4 17.Rd2 Qb1 18.Kf2 with counterplay) 17.Qc1 Qb3 with initiative; b) 14...Bc6 15.e4 Nbd7 16.Bg2 Nb3 17.Qe2 Qe2 18.Ke2 a5 and Black is slightly better] **14...dc5 15.Nc7** [15.e4 Nc6 16.Qe2 (16.Rd7? Ne5!) 16...Qa5 17.Qb2 (17.Rd7? a6 18.Nd6 Ne5! 19.Rb7 Qc3 20.Kd1 Rfd8 and Black is winning) 17...Rad8 18.Be2 Ne5 and Black is superior; 15.Qe3 Bc6 16.f3 Nd7 17.Nd6 Nb6 and Black is superior]

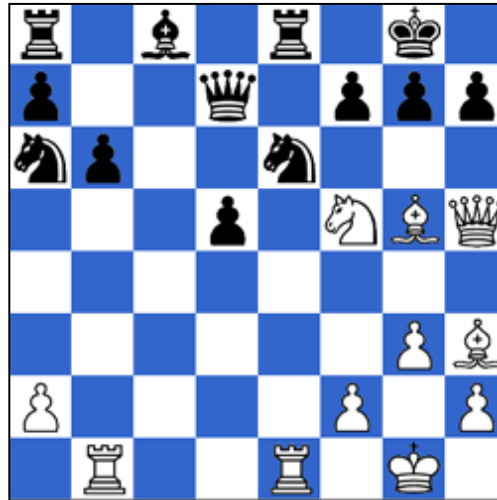


15...Ba4! 16.Rc1 Nc6 [16...Bc6 17.e4 Qa3 18.Qe3 Be4 19.Rg1 Nc6 20.Na8 Ra8 21.Be2 a5 22.f3 Bg6 and Black is superior] **17.Na8 Qa3!** [17...Rd8 18.Qe3 Na5 19.Bh3 Nb3 20.0-0 Nc1 21.Rc1 Ra8 22.Qc5 Qe2 23.Bg2 and Black is slightly better] **18.Qe3** [18.Rb1 Bc2 19.Bg2 Bb1 20.0-0 Ba2 21.Nc7 Bc4 and Black is winning; 18.Qf4 e5 19.Qe3 Na5 and Black is winning] **18...Na5 19.f3 Nc4 20.Qf4 b5! 21.Rb1** [21.Nc7 e5 22.Qg5 h6 and Black is winning] **21...Qc3 22.Kf2 Nd2 and Black is winning 23.Re1 Ra8 24.Bg2 c4 25.Qc7** [25.Rc1 Qa5 26.Qe3 Rd8 27.f4 Qc7 28.Qc3 a5] **25...Qd4 26.e3 Qd8 27.Qe5 Rc8 28.Qc3 Qd3 29.Qa5 c3 30.Re2 Nb3 31.Qa7 c2 0-1 [Ivanchuk]**

2.Sandipan 2563 – Tiviakov 2648 Ottawa 2007 — 100/413 [E17]

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 b6 4.g3 Bb7 5.Bg2 Be7 6.0-0 0-0 7.d5 ed5 8.Nh4 c6 9.cd5 Nd5 10.Nf5 Nc7 11.e4 d5 12.Nc3 Bf6 13.ed5 cd5 14.Bf4 Nba6 15.Re1 Qd7 [better is 15...Bc8 see 31/618] **16.Bh3 Ne6?!** [16...Kh8 see 30/631; better is 16...Qd8] **17.Ne4 Bb2 18.Rb1** [a novelty; 18.Ng5] **18...Bc8** [18...Bc6 19.Ng5 Bf6 20.Re6 fe6 21.Nh6 Kh8 22.Be6; 18...Bd4 19.Ng5 Bf6 20.Re6 fe6 21.Nh6 Kh8 22.Be6; 18...Rad8!? 19.Ng5 Bf6 20.Nh6 gh6

21.Ne6 Bc8] **19.Ng5 Bf6 20.Qh5 Bg5** [20...Ng5 21.Bg5 Qc6 22.Bf6 Qf6 23.Ne7] **21.Bg5 Re8** [21...Kh8 22.Bf6! (22.Ng7? Ng7 23.Bf6 Qh3 24.Qg5 Qg4) 22...gf6 23.Qh6 Rg8 (23...Qd8 24.Re6 Rg8 25.Re8 and White is winning) 24.Qf6 Rg7 25.Ng7 Qd8 26.Qd8 Nd8 27.Bc8 Rc8 28.Nf5 and White is winning]



22.Bf6!! (and White is winning) **gf6** [22...Nac7 23.Ng7 Ng7 24.Qh6; 22...g6 23.Qh6 Nac5 (23...Bb7 24.Rbd1) 24.Rbd1 Qc7 25.Rd5] **23.Qh6 Nac5** [23...Bb7 24.Qf6 (24.Rbd1 d4 25.Re6 fe6 26.Rd4) 24...Nac5 25.Nh6 Kf8 26.Be6 Ne6 27.Nf5 Kg8 28.Re6 fe6 29.Nh6#] **24.Rbd1! Qb7** [24...Qc7 25.Rd4 Ne4 26.Ree4 de4 27.Re4] **25.Rd4** [25.Qf6] **25...Ne4 26.Ree4! de4 27.Qf6 Qc7 28.Nh6 Kf8 29.Qh8 Ke7 30.Nf5# 1-0** [Sandipan]

3.Shirov 2699 – Ivanchuk 2729 Fors 2007 – 100/263 [C91]

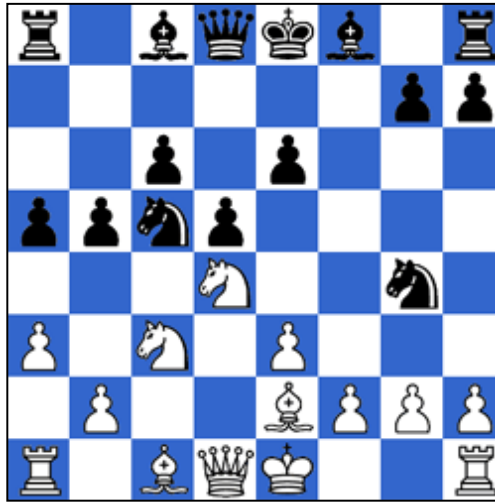
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.O-O b5 6.Bb3 Be7 7.d4 d6 8.c3 O-O 9.Re1 Bg4 10.Be3 ed4 11.cd4 d5 12.e5 Ne4 13.Nc3 Nc3 14.bc3 Qd7 15.h3 Bh5 16.g4 Bg6 17.Nd2 a5! [a novelty; 17...Na5 see 25/345] **18.f4** [18.a4 b4 19.Rc1! (19.c4 dc4 20.Bc4 Nd4 and Black is superior) 19...bc3 20.Rc3 Bb4 21.Rc1 f6 22.f4 fe5 23.de5 Kh8 24.Rf1 (24.f5?! Ne5 25.fg6 Qd6 26.Kg2 Ng6 with attack) 24...d4 25.Nf3 unclear] **18...a4 19.Bc2 Bc2 20.Qc2 f5!** [20...f6 21.Rab1 fe5 22.fe5 h5 23.Qg6 hg4 24.Qg4 (24.hg4 Ra6 25.e6 Qd6 with initiative) 24...Qg4 25.hg4 Rab8 26.Kg2 Kf7 equal] **21.ef6** [21.Rf1 Nd8 (21...fg4 22.f5 gh3 23.Kh2! b4 24.Rf3 bc3 25.Qc3 Bb4 26.Qd3 Ne7 27.Raf1 with initiative) 22.Kh2 g6 and Black is slightly better] **21...Bf6 22.Nf3** [22.Kg2 Rae8 (22...h5 23.g5 Be7 24.Qg6! Bd6 25.Nf3 Bf4 26.Bf4 Rf4 27.Qh5 with attack, with the idea g6) 23.Bf2 Na5 24.Nf3 Nc4 25.f5 Qc6 26.Qd3 a3 27.Rab1 Nb2 (27...Re4 28.Nd2 Nd2 29.Qd2 Rfe8 30.Qd3 equal) 28.Qc2 (28.Qd2

Re4) 28...Qc4 29.Nd2! Qc6 (29...Qa2? 30.Ra1!) 30.Nf3 equal] **22... Rae8 23.Bf2?! [23.Ne5 Be5 24.de5 g5!? 25.Qd2! h5!? (25...gf4 26.Bf4 Rf7 27.Rab1 h5 28.Rb5 hg4 29.Rd5 Qe6 30.h4 unclear) 26.gh5 Qh3 27.Qd5 Re6 28.Qg2 Qg2 29.Kg2 gf4 30.Bd4 Rf5 31.Rab1 b4 and Black is slightly better; 23.Kg2 Na5 24.Rad1 (24.f5 Qc6 25.g5 Nc4 26.Bf4 Re4! and Black is superior; 24.g5 Nc4 25.Qd3 Nb2 26.Qc2 Nc4 27.Bf2 Be7 and Black is slightly better; with the idea Bd6) 24...Nc4 25.Bc1 Qc6 equal; 23.f5 Re4 24.Nd2 Re7 25.g5 Re3 26.Re3 Bg5 27.Rf3 Qe7 with compensation] 23...h5! 24.Qg6 [24.g5?! Qh3 25.Nh4 Qg4 26.Kh1 Be7 27.Qg6 Qf4 and Black is superior; 24.f5 hg4 25.hg4 g6 26.Bh4 gf5 27.Re8 Qe8 28.Bf6 Rf6 29.g5 Qe3 30.Kg2 Rg6 31.Qf5 Ne7 equal] 24...Re4! 25.Re4?! [25.g5 Rf4!; 25.Nd2! Re1 (25...Rf4 26.Bg3 b4 27.Bf4 bc3 28.Nf3 and White is winning) 26.Re1 hg4 (26...b4 27.cb4 hg4 28.hg4 Qd6 29.Kg2 Qf4 30.Be3 Qd6 31.Nf3 equal) 27.hg4 Ne7 28.Qh5 g6 29.Qh3 Nc6 30.Nf3 b4 31.cb4 Nb4 32.Ne5 Be5 33.fe5 Qf7 34.Re2 Qf4 and Black is slightly better] 25...de4 26.Nh2? [26.Ne5 Be5 27.fe5 hg4 28.hg4 Qd5! and Black is superior; 26.Ng5 Bg5 27.Qg5 a) 27...hg4 28.hg4 Rf6 (28...b4 29.d5 bc3 30.dc6 Qd2 31.Be1 Qe3 32.Bf2 equal) 29.f5 Ne7 (29...b4 30.Qe3 g6 31.Qe4 gf5 32.gf5 Rf5 33.Qg4 Qg7 34.Qg7 Kg7 35.cb4 Nb4 equal) 30.Bg3 Nd5 31.Be5 Rh6 32.Re1 e3 unclear; b) 27...Qd6! 28.f5 hg4 29.hg4 b4! with initiative]**



26...Nd4!! 27.cd4 [27.Re1 Nf3 28.Nf3 ef3 and Black is winning]
27...Bd4 28.Rb1 e3 [28...Bf2?! 29.Kf2 Rf4 30.Kg3 Qd2 31.Rf1! h4 32.Kh4 Qh2 33.Qe8 Kh7 34.Qh5 equal] 29.Bg3 [29.Be1 Rf4 30.Rb4 c5 31.Rd4 cd4 and Black is winning] 29...h4! 30.Bh4 [30.Nf3 hg3 and Black is winning] 30...Rf4 31.Qd3 Qd5 32.Nf1 [32.Re1 Rf2!] 32...Rf2! 33.Ne3 Rg2! 34.Kh1 Qf3 0-1 [Ivanchuk]

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.e3 a6 5.Nc3 b5 6.c5 Nbd7 7.a3!?
a5! 8.Bd3 e5 9.de5 Ng4 10.e6 fe6 11.Nd4 Nc5 12.Be2

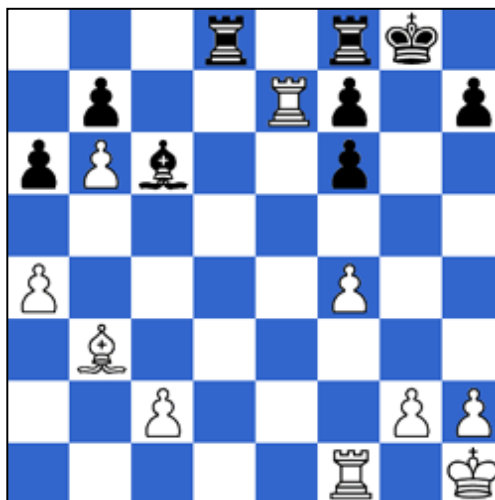


12...Nf2!! [a novelty; 12...Ne5 see 99/(264)] **13.Kf2 Bd6 14.g3?! [14.Nc6 0-0 15.Bf3 (15.Kg1 Qh4 16.g3 Qf6 and Black is slightly better) 15...Qh4 (15...Qc7 16.Nd4) 16.g3 (16.Kg1) 16...Qh3 with compensation] 14...0-0 15.Kg2 Bd7 16.Bd2?! [16.Rf1 Rf1 17.Bf1 Qf6 and Black is slightly better; 16.Nb3! Nb3 17.Qb3 e5 with counterplay, with the idea Qc8, Bh3] 16...e5 17.Nb3 [17.Nf3 a4 18.Qc2 Qe8 19.Raf1 Bf5 20.Qd1 Qd7 and Black is superior] 17...Ne6! [with the idea Ng5, weak point Kg2] 18.Bg4 a4 19.Nc1 Qg5 [19...Nc5! and Black is superior] 20.h4 [20.e4 Nf4! 21.Bf4 Qg4 22.Qg4 Bg4 and Black is winning] 20...Qg6 21.h5? [21.Bh5! a) 21...Qf5 22.Qf3 (22.Rf1 Nf4 23.ef4 Qh3 24.Kf2 ef4 and Black is winning) 22...Qc2 23.Qd1 equal; b) 21...Qf6! 22.Rf1 Qe7 and Black is slightly better] 21...Qg5 22.Rh4 [22.e4 Nf4 23.Bf4 Qg4 24.Qg4 Bg4 25.Rh4 d4 26.N3a2 Be6 27.Bd2 Bc4 and Black is winning] 22...e4 23.Qe1 Nc5 [and Black is winning; weak point Ra1, Nc1, Bd2, d3, f3] 24.Bd7 [24.Bd1 Rf1! 25.Kf1 Bg3 26.Rg4 Qf5 27.Kg2 Be1 28.Be1 Rf8 29.Be2 Nd3 30.Bg3 Ne5 31.Rh4 Nf3; 24.Be2 Rae8 25.h6 g6] 24...Nd7 25.N1e2 Ne5 26.Qh1 Nf3 27.Qh3 Qf6 28.Nf4 Nd2 0-1 [Sergey Karjakin]**

5.Grischuk 2717 – Rublevsky 2680 Elista (m/1) 2007 – 100/155 [B85]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cd4 4.Nd4 Nc6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Be2 d6 7.0-0 Nf6 8.Be3 Bd7 9.a4 Be7 10.f4 Nd4 11.Qd4 Bc6 12.b4 0-0 13.b5 Be8 14.e5 Qc7 15.b6 Qc6 16.Bf3! [a novelty; 16.ed6 see 95/(179)] 16...d5 17.Rae1!? Nd7 [17...Rc8? 18.ef6 Bf6 19.Nd5! ed5 (19...Bd4? 20.Ne7 Kh8 21.Bc6 and White is winning) 20.Qd5 Qa4 (20...Qd5 21.Bd5 Bc6 22.c4 and White is superior) 21.Qb7 Bb5 22.

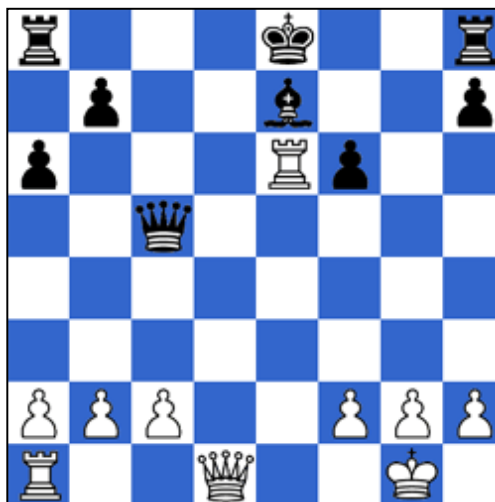
Be2 (22.Rf2? Rce8!) 22...Rc2 23.Bb5 ab5 24.Qd7 Rd8 25.Bc5! Qa8
 26.b7 Qb8 27.Bd6 Rd7 28.Bb8 h6 29.Bc7 Bd4 30.Kh1 Ba7 31.b8Q
 Bb8 32.Bb8 Rdd2 33.Rg1 and White is superior; 17...Rd8? 18.f5
 (18.ef6 Bf6 19.Nd5 ed5 20.Qc5 Qc5 21.Bc5 Ba4 22.Bf8 Kf8 23.Rd1
 Rd6 with compensation) 18...Qc8 (18...ef5 19.ef6 Bf6 20.Nd5 Bd4
 21.Ne7 Kh8 22.Nc6 Be3 23.Re3 Bc6 24.Bc6 bc6 25.Rf5 and White is
 superior) 19.a5 Nd7 (19...ef5? 20.ef6 Bf6 21.Nd5 Bd4 22.Ne7 Kh8
 23.Nc8 and White is winning) 20.fe6 fe6 21.Nd5 ed5 22.Qd5 Kh8
 23.Qb7 Qc3 24.e6 Bh4 25.Qc7 Be1 26.Qc3 Bc3 27.e7 and White is
 superior] **18.Nd5!** [18.f5? Bc5 19.Qf4 Qb6 20.f6 gf6 21.ef6 Kh8 22.
 Bd5 ed5 23.Nd5 Qc6 24.Ne7 Be7 25.fe7 Rg8 26.Bd4 f6] **18...ed5**
19.Bd5 Qc5!? [19...Qc2 20.Rc1! Qe2 (20...Qf5 21.Bb7 Rb8 22.
 Bc8!? Rc8 23.Rc8 Nb6 24.Re8 Re8 25.Qb6 and White is superior)
 21.Bb7 (21.e6 Nf6!) 21...Rd8 22.Bf3 Qa2 23.Qc4 Qa3 24.Rc3 Qb2
 25.b7 and White is superior; 19...Qc8 20.f5 (20.e6? Nf6 and Black
 is superior; 20.Rf3? Bc5 21.Qe4 Be3 22.Qe3 Qc5 and Black is
 superior; 20.Qe4? Nc5 and Black is superior) 20...Bc5 a) 21.Qf4?
 Kh8 (21...Nb6? 22.f6 and White is winning) 22.Rf3 f6 23.Rh3 g5!
 24.fg6 Bg6 25.e6 Ne5 unclear; b) 21.Qe4! Be3 b1) 22.Qe3? Qc5 23.
 Qc5 (23.e6 Qd5 24.e7 Rc8 and Black is superior) 23...Nc5 24.e6
 b11) 24...Bc6 25.ef7 (25.Bc6 bc6 26.a5 fe6 27.Re5 Nb7 and Black
 is slightly better) 25...Rf7 26.Bf7 Kf7 27.a5 Kf6 and Black is slightly
 better; b12) 24...fe6 25.fe6 Rf1 26.Rf1 Bc6 27.Bc4 g6 28.e7 Kg7
 29.g4 Nd7 30.Rf7 Kh6 31.h4 g5 32.hg5 Kg5 and Black is slightly
 better; b2) 22.Re3 22...Qc5 23.a5! (and White is superior with
 attack) 23...Qa5 (23...Rd8? 24.c4 Qa5 25.f6 Qb6 26.Kh1 Nc5 27.
 Qh4 Ne6 28.Rg3 and White is winning) 24.f6 Qb6 25.Kh1 Nc5 26.
 Qg4 Ne6 27.Be6 g6 28.Rb3 Qe6 29.Qg5 Kh8 30.Qh6 Rg8 31.Rh3
 Qh3 and White is superior; 19...Bc5 20.Bc6 Bd4 21.Bd4 bc6 22.b7
 Rb8 23.Rb1 c5 24.Be3 and White is superior; 19...Qh6 20.a5 with
 compensation, with initiative] **20.e6!** [20.Bb7? Qd4 21.Bd4 Rb8
 22.Ba6 Nc5!] **20...Qd4** [20...fe6? 21.Be6 Rf7 (21...Kh8? 22.Bd7
 Qd4 23.Bd4 and White is winning) 22.Qe4 Qd6 23.Bf2!? Rb8 (23...
 Bf8 24.Qb7 Rb8 25.Qa7 and White is winning) 24.Bf7 Kf7 25.Re3!?
 (25.a5 and White is superior) 25...Nb6 26.Rfe1 Nd5 27.Qf5 Kg8 28.
 Re6 Qd7 29.Qe5 Rd8 30.c4 Bf7 31.cd5 Be6 32.Qe6 Qe6 33.de6 and
 White is superior] **21.Bd4 Nf6** [21...Bf6 22.Bf6 Nf6 23.Bb7 Rb8 24.
 e7 Rb7 25.ef8Q Kf8 26.a5 and White is superior] **22.Bb3** [22.ef7?
 Rf7! (22...Bf7? 23.Bb7 and White is superior)] **22...Rd8** [22...fe6?
 23.Re6 and White is winning] **23.Bf6** [23.ef7? Bf7 24.Re7 Rd4 25.
 Rb7 Bb3 26.cb3 a5 27.Rc1 Rb4 (27...Rf4? 28.Ra7 and White is
 slightly better) 28.Rcc7 Ne8 29.Rc6 Rff4 and Black is slightly
 better] **23...Bc5** [23...Bf6? 24.e7 Be7 25.Re7 Bc6 26.Rfe1 and
 White is superior] **24.Kh1 gf6 25.e7 Be7 26.Re7 Bc6**



27.Rc7! [27.Rfe1 Rd2 28.R7e2 Rd4!? with compensation] **27... Rd2 28.Re1 Rf2?** time [28...Rg2?? 29.Rc6; 28...Rfd8? 29.Bf7 (29. Rf7 Kh8 30.Rf6 Bg2 31.Kg1 Bf3 32.h3 and White is superior) 29... Kh8 30.Bh5! Bg2 31.Kg1 Rg8 32.Bf7 Rgd8 33.c4! Bf3 34.Bd5 Bd5 35.cd5 and White is winning; 28...Bg2?! 29.Kg1 Bf3 30.Re3 Bc6 31. Ree7 Kh8 32.Bf7 and White is superior; 28...Kg7!? (Sherbakov,R) 29.h3 (29.f5? Re8 30.Rf7 Kh6 31.Rf6 Kg7 32.Rf7 Kh6 33.Rc1 Bg2 34.Kg1 Bf3!) 29...Bg2 30.Kg1 Kh6 31.Re3 (31.Bf7 Rfd8 with compensation) 31...Bc6 32.Rd3 Rg8 33.Kf1 Rh2 34.Rf7 and White is slightly better] **29.h3 Rf4 30.Ree7 Rf1 31.Kh2 Rf2 32.Rc6! bc6 33.Rf7** (and White is winning) **Rf4** [33...Rf7 34.b7] **34.c3 Re4 35.Re7 1-0** [Rublevsky]

6.Mi.Adams 2734 – Nisipeanu 2693 Sofia 2007 — 100/181 [C07]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 c5 4.ed5 Qd5 5.Ngf3 cd4 6.Bc4 Qd6 7.O-O Nf6 8.Nb3 Nc6 9.Nbd4 Nd4 10.Nd4 a6 11.Re1 Bd7 12. Bg5! Qc5? [12...Be7?! 13.Nf5 Qd1 14.Ng7 Kf8 15.Rad1 with initiative; better is 12...0-0-0 see 98/205] **13.Be6!** [13.Bf6 gf6 14. Be6!] **13...fe6 14.Bf6 gf6 15.Ne6 Be6 16.Re6 Be7** [a novelty; 16...Kf7 17.Qd7 Be7 (17...Kg6 18.Rae1 Qf5 19.R1e3 and White is winning) 18.Rae1 Rhe8 19.Qb7 and White is superior]

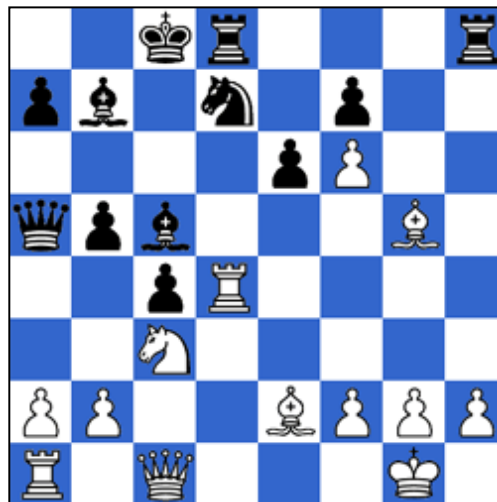


17.b4! [17.Qe2 Rf8 (17...Kf7 18.Re1 Rae8 19.Qe4 and White is slightly better) 18.Qe4 (18.Re1 Rf7 and Black is slightly better) 18...Rf7 19.Qb7 Rd8 20.Qa6 Kf8 and White is slightly better] **17...Qc3!** [17...Qc4 18.Qd6 and White is winning; 17...Qb4 18.Rb1 Qc4 19.Qd6 and White is winning; 17...Qc7 18.Qh5 Kf8 19.Rae1 Re8 20.Rf6 and White is winning; 17...Qb5 a) 18.c4 Qd7 (18...Qc4 19.Qd6 and White is winning) 19.Qh5 Kf8 20.Rae1 Re8 21.Qh6 Kf7 22.g3 and White is superior; b) 18.Qg4! 18...Rf8 (18...Kf7 19.Re7 Ke7 20.Qg7 Kd6 21.Rd1 Kc6 22.Qf6 Kc7 23.Qd6 Kc8 24.Rd5 and White is winning) 19.Rae1 and White is winning] **18.Re3 Qc7** [only move; 18...Qc4 19.Qd6 and White is winning; 18...Qb2 19.Qe1 and White is winning; 18...Qc6 19.Qe2 and White is winning] **19.Qh5 Kf8** [19...Kd8 20.Rd1 Kc8 21.Qf5 Kb8 22.Rd7 and White is winning] **20.Rae1 Re8** [only move; 20...Bb4 21.Re8 Kg7 22.Qg4 Kf7 23.Rh8 Rh8 24.Qb4 and White is winning; 20...Bd6 21.Re6 Qc3 22.g3 and White is winning] **21.Qh6** [21.Rg3 Rd8! (21...Qf4 22.Ree3 Rd8 23.Rg7! and White is winning) 22.Qh6 Ke8 23.Qf6 Rf8 24.Qg7 and White is superior] **21...Kf7 22.Qh5 Kf8 23.Qh6 Kf7 24.c3!** [24.Rg3 Reg8 25.Qh5 Kf8 26.Rge3 Bd6 27.Re8 Kg7 28.Qg4 Kf7 equal] **24...Rhg8** [24...b5 25.Qh5 Kf8 26.Rg3 Qf4 (26...Rd8 27.Qh6 Ke8 28.Qf6 Rf8 29.Qa6 and White is winning) 27.Ree3 Rd8 28.Rg7 and White is winning; 24...Qc4!? 25.h3 (25.a3? Qg4! 26.Rg3 Bd6; 25.Rg3 Rhg8 26.Qh7 Kf8 27.Qh6 Kf7; 25.Re7 Re7 26.Re7 Ke7 27.Qg7 Ke6 28.Qh8 Qc3 29.Qe8 Kd6 30.Qf8 Kd7 31.g4 and White is superior) 25...Qa2 a) 26.Qh5 Kf8 27.Qh4 Rg8 (27...Kf7 28.Qd4 Rhf8 29.Qd7 and White is winning) 28.Qh6 Rg7 29.Re7 Ree7 30.Re7 Ke7 31.Qg7 Qf7 32.Qg3 and White is superior; b) 26.Rg3 26...Rhg8 27.Qh7 Kf8 28.Qh6 Kf7 29.Rge3 Oc2 30.Qh5 (30.Re4 Qc3 31.Re7 Re7 32.Qh7 Rg7 33.Re7 Ke7 34.Qg7 Ke6 and White is superior) 30...Kf8 31.Qd5 Rg7 (31...b5 32.Re7 and White is winning; 31...Qg6 32.Qb7 Rg7 33.c4 Qg5 34.c5 and White is winning) 32.Qb7 Qg6 33.c4 and White is winning] **25.Qh7 Rg7 26.Qh5 Kf8 27.g3 Qd7** [27...Rd8 28.Qh8 Rg8 29.Qh6 and White is winning] **28.Re6 Rg5 29.Qh8 Kf7 30.Qh7 Rg7** [30...Kf8 31.h4

Rg7 32.Qh8 Rg8 33.Qh6 and White is winning] **31.Qh5 Rg6** [31... Kg8 32.Rf6 and White is winning; better is 31...Kf8 32.h4! (32.c4 Rg5! 33.Qh8 Rg8 34.Qh6 Rg7 35.c5 Kg8 36.Qh5 Rf8) 32...Kg8 33. Rf6 and White is winning] **32.c4** [better is 32.f4 Bc5 (32...Kg7 33. f5 Rg5 34.Qe8 Qe8 35.Re7 Qe7 36.Re7 and White is winning) 33. bc5 Re6 34.Re6 Qe6 35.f5 Qe1 36.Kg2 and White is winning] **32... Kg7 33.Qd5** [better is 33.c5 Rg5 (33...Qd8 34.a4 Qd7 35.b5 and White is winning) 34.Qe8 and White is winning] **33...Qc7 34.Qe4 Kf7 35.c5 Qd7** [35...Rh6 36.Rb6 Rb8 37.c6 Rhh8 (37...Qb6 38. Qe7 Kg6 39.Qe4 Kg7 40.Qg4 Kf8 41.Qf4 and White is winning) 38. Rb7 Rb7 39.cb7 Rb8 40.Qh7 Kf8 41.Re7 and White is winning] **36. Qf5 Kg7 37.Qe4 Kf7 38.Qf5 Kg7 39.Qh5** [39...Qd8 40.a4 Qd7 41.b5 ab5 42.ab5 Qc7 43.c6 bc6 44.bc6 Qa7 45.Kg2 Qc7 46.f4 and White is winning] **1-0** [Mi.Adams]

7.A.Onischuk 2663 – Shabalov 2606 USA (ch) 2007 – 100/331 [D44]

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Nf3 e6 5.Bg5 dc4 6.e4 b5 7.e5 h6 8.Bh4 g5 9.Ng5 hg5 10.Bg5 Nbd7 11.ef6 Qa5 12.Be2 [12. g3 see 81/(362)] **12...Bb7 13.0-0 0-0-0 14.Qc1!? c5 15.Rd1** [a novelty; 15.dc5] **15...cd4?!** [15...Bd6 16.h4 cd4 17.Rd4 Be5 unclear 18.Qe3!? (18.Rd1 Kb8 19.a3 Qb6 20.Qe3 Qe3 21.fe3 a6 equal) 18...Bd4 19.Qd4 a6 (19...e5 20.Qd6 b4 21.Rc1! with attack; 19...Kb8 20.Qd6 Ka8 21.b4! Qb6 22.Qb6 Nb6 23.Nb5 and White is slightly better) 20.Ne4 Be4 21.Qe4 with compensation] **16.Rd4 Bc5?**

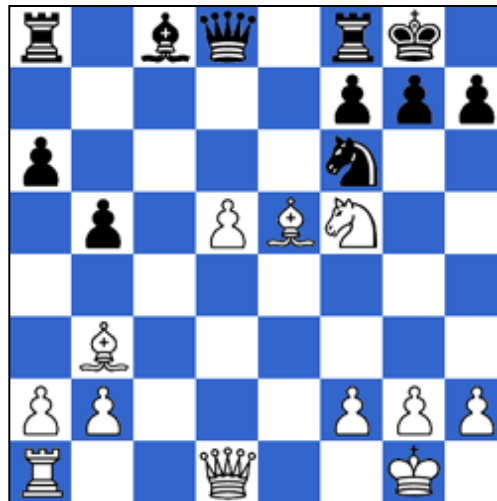


17.b4!! Qb4 [17...Bb4 18.Nb5 Qb5 19.Rc4 Kb8 20.Rb1! and White is winning; 17...Qc7 18.Bf4 (18.Rh4? Rh4 19.Bh4 Rg8 20.Bg3 Rg3 21.hg3 Qg3 22.Qf1 Bb6 with initiative) 18...Qc6 19.Bf3 Bd4 (19... Qf3 20.gf3 Bd4 21.Nb5 Nb6 22.Nd4 Rd4 23.Bg3 and White is

winning) 20.Bc6 Bc6 21.a4 Rdg8!? (21...a6 22.ab5 ab5 23.Nb5! Bb5 24.Ra5 and White is winning) 22.Bg3 Ne5 23.ab5 Rg3!? (23...Nf3!? 24.Kf1 Nh2 25.Bh2 Rh2 26.bc6 Rh1 27.Ke2 Rc1 28.Rc1 Rg2 29.Ne4 and White is superior) 24.hg3 Nf3! 25.Kf1 Rh1 26.Ke2 Rc1 27.Rc1 Ne5! 28.bc6 Nd3 29.Rh1! Bc3 30.Rh8 Kc7 31.b5 Bf6 32.Rh7 Bd4 (32...Ne5 33.f4) 33.Rf7 Kc8 34.g4 and White is superior] **18. Rb1 Qb1** [18...Qa5 19.Rb5 Qc7 20.Bf4 e5 21.Rc4 ef4 22.Ne4 and White is winning] **19.Qb1 Bd4 20.Nb5 Ne5 21.Bf4!** (and White is winning) **Nc6** [21...Rh4 22.Qc1] **22.Nd6 Rd6 23.Bd6 c3 24.Bf3 Bb6 25.Bb4! Bd4** [25...Nb4 26.Qb4 Bf3 27.Qc3] **26.Bc3** [26...Bc3 27.Qc1] **1-0** [A.Onischuk]

8.I.Ivanisevic 2595 – Miladinovic 2605 Srbija 2007 — 100/342 [D47]

1.d4 d5 2.c4 dc4 3.e3 Nf6 4.Bc4 e6 5.Nf3 a6 6.O-O b5 7.Bb3 Bb7 8.Nc3 Nbd7 9.Re1 c5 10.e4 cd4 11.Nd4 Ne5! [11...Bc5 12.e5 Ne5 13.Ne6! Qd1 14.Ng7 Kf8 15.Nd1 Nf3 16.gf3 Kg7 17.Re5 and White is slightly better; 11...Nc5 12.e5 with initiative (12.Bg5 see 66/(380)) 12...Nb3 (12...Nfe4 13.Bc2 Nc3 14.bc3 Qd5 15.Qg4 h5 16.Qh3) 13.ab3 Nd5 (13...Nd7 14.Qg4) 14.Ne4] **12.Nd5!?** [a novelty; 12.f3; 12.Bf4] **12...Bc5 13.Bf4** [13.Bg5!?] **13...ed5?** [better is 13...Nfd7] **14.ed5 O-O 15.Re5!** [15.Be5 Bd5 16.Bd5 Qd5 17.Nf5 Rad8! equal] **15...Bd6 16.Nf5 Be5 17.Be5 Bc8** [only move; 17...Rc8 18.Qd4 and White is superior]

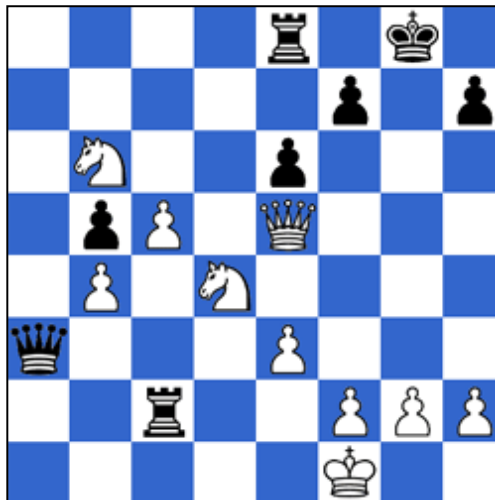


18.Ng7! Ng4 [18...Kg7 19.Qh5! h6 20.Re1 Bd7 (with the idea Rc8; 20...Ra7 (with the idea Rc7) 21.Qh4! and White is winning) 21.g4! Re8 (21...Rg8 22.g5 hg5 23.Bc2! and White is winning) 22.g5 Re5 23.gf6 Qf6 24.Qe5 and White is superior] **19.Bd4 Qh4 20.h3 Nf6 21.Rc1** [with the idea 22.Rc6, 22.Rc3] **21...Kg7 22.Rc3** [better is 22.Rc6 Be6 23.Rc3! and White is winning] **22...Re8** [22...

a5 23.Rg3 Kh8 24.Be5! and White is winning] **23.Rg3 Kh8 24.Bc3**
[with the idea Qh5!] **24...b4 25.Qd4 Re1 26.Kh2 1-0** [I.
 Ivanisevic]

9.I.Rogers 2526 – R.Berzinsh 2429 Great Britain 2007 — 100/430 [E38]

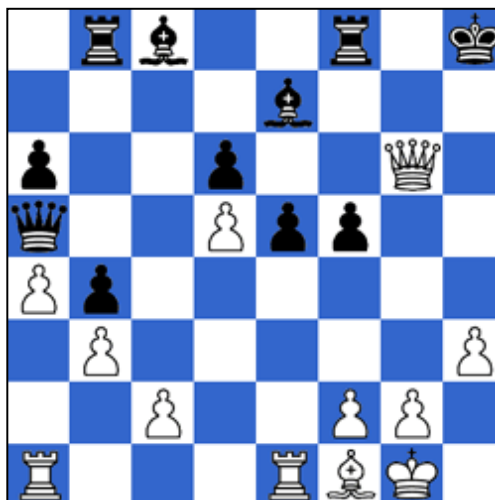
1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Qc2 c5 5.dc5 Bc5 6.Nf3 Qb6 7.
e3 Qc7 8.a3 b6 [8...a6 see 55/550] **9.b4 Be7 10.Bb2 a6 11.Be2**
 [11.Ne4!? Ne4 (11...Bb7!?) 12.Qe4 f5! 13.Qe5 (13.Qa8 Bb7 and
Black is slightly better) 13...Qe5 14.Be5 0-0 15.Rd1 and White is
 slightly better] **11...Bb7 12.0-0 d6 13.Rac1 Nbd7 14.Rfd1 Rc8**
15.Qb1 Qb8 16.Qa1 [a novelty; 16.Nd2; 16.Nd4] **16...0-0 17.**
Rd4!? Qa8 18.Rcd1 Rfe8! 19.Ne1!? Ne5 [19...Bf8! 20.f3 (20.
Bf3?! Bf3 21.Nf3 e5 22.Rh4 Qb7 and Black is slightly better) 20...d5
 equal] **20.Na4! Ned7** [20...Qa7 21.Rd6!? Bd6 22.Rd6 with
 compensation] **21.Rd6! Bd6 22.Rd6 Qb8** [22...Rc6 23.Rd2 with
 compensation] **23.Rb6! Nb6** [23...e5 24.c5! Nb6 25.Nb6 Rcd8 26.
 Nc4 e4 (26...Nd7 27.Nd3 f6 28.Nd6 and White is superior) 27.Be5
 Re5 28.Ne5 and White is slightly better] **24.Nb6 Rcd8 25.Be5!**
Qa7 26.c5 Rd2 27.Kf1 Bc6? [27...a5! 28.Bf6! (28.b5?! Ne4!) 28...
 gf6 29.Qc3 Re2 30.Ke2 Ba6 31.Kf3 and White is slightly better] **28.**
Bf6 gf6 29.Qf6 Bb5 30.Bb5 ab5 31.Nf3 Rc2 [31...Rdd8 32.Ke2!
 Qa3 (32...Qe7 33.Qe7 Re7 34.Nd4 and White is superior) 33.Ne5
 with attack] **32.Nd4** [32.Qg5! Kf8 (only move; 32...Kh8 33.Qe5
 Kg8 34.Nd5! and White is winning) 33.Ne5! Rd2 34.Qh6 Kg8 35.
 Ng4 and White is winning] **32...Qa3!?** [32...Ra2 33.Nd5!! Qb8
 (33...ed5 34.Nf5 and White is winning; 33...Ra1 34.Ke2 Ra2 35.Kf3
 Qa8 36.c6 and White is winning) 34.Nf4 Qd8 35.Nh5 Qf6 36.Nf6 Kf8
 37.Ne8 Ke8 38.Nb5 and White is superior] **33.Qg5 Kh8 34.Qe5**
Kg8



35.g4!! [35.Nc2 Qd3 36.Ke1 Qc2 37.Nd7 Qc1 38.Ke2 Qc2 equal, with the idea 39.Kf3?? Qd1 and Black is winning] **35...Qa1** [35... Qd3 36.Kg2 Rc1 37.Nd7 Qf1 38.Kg3 Qg1 39.Kh4 Qf2 40.Kh5 and White is winning; 35...f6!? 36.Qf6 Rf2! (RR36...Qd3!? 37.Kg2 Qe4 38.Kg3 Rc1) 37.Kf2!! (37.Qf2 Rf8 38.Nf3 Qb4 39.Nd7 and White is superior) 37...Rf8 38.Qf8! Kf8 39.c6 and White is winning] **36.Kg2 Rc1 37.Nd7! Rg1 38.Kh3 Qf1 39.Kh4 Qf2 40.Kh5!** [40.Kg5? h6! 41.Kh5 Rh1 42.Nf6 Qf6! 43.Qf6 Rh2 and Black is superior] **40...f6** [40...Ra8 41.Nf6 (RR41.Nc6!) 41...Kf8 42.Qd6 Kg7 43.Ne6! and White is winning; 40...Rf1 41.Nf5! Qf5 42.gf5 Rf5 43.Qf5 ef5 44.Nf6 and White is winning] **41.Nf6 Kf7** [41...Kf8 42.Nf5! and White is winning] **42.Ne8 1-0** [I.Rogers]

10.Sergey Karjakin 2686 – Van Wely 2674 Foros 2007 – 100/168 [B90]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cd4 4.Nd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Be3 e5 7.Nf3 Be7 8.Bc4 0-0 9.0-0 Nc6 10.Re1 b5 11.Bf1 Rb8 12.Bg5 Ng4 13.Bc1!? [13.Bd2 see 99/(169)] **13...Qb6 14.Qd2 Nf6 15.h3?!** [15.Nd5! Nd5 16.ed5 Na5 17.Qb4 Qc7 (17...Re8 18.a4 and White is superior; 17...Bd8 18.a4 Qc7 19.ab5 ab5 20.Nd2 and White is slightly better) 18.a4 and White is slightly better] **15...Re8!** [a novelty; equal; 15...Be6] **16.Qd1** [16.Nd5 Nd5 17.ed5 Nd4 18.Nd4 ed4 equal] **16...h6** [16...Nd4 17.Be3 Nf3 18.Qf3 Qc7 19.Bd3 equal] **17.b3 Bf8 18.a4 b4 19.Nd5 Nd5 20.ed5 Na5** [20...Ne7 21.a5 Qb7 22.Bc4 Bd7 23.Be3 Bb5 24.Bb6 unclear] **21.Be3 Qc7?!** [21...Qb7! (weak point Nf3, d5) 22.g4!? with counterplay] **22.Nd2!** [and White is slightly better, with the idea Nc4, Rc1, c3] **22...f5** [22...g6 23.Nc4 Bg7 (23...Kh7 24.Rc1 and White is slightly better) 24.Rc1 and White is slightly better] **23.Nc4 Be7?** [23...g6 24.Rc1 and White is slightly better] **24.Qh5 Rf8** [24...Bd7 25.Bh6 gh6 26.Qg6 Kf8 27.Be2 and White is superior] **25.Na5 Qa5 26.Bh6! gh6 27.Qg6 Kh8 28.Qh6 Kg8 29.Qg6 Kh8**



30.Re3!! [30.Re5 Qd8 unclear] **30...f4 31.Re5 de5 32.Qh6 Kg8 33.d6!** (and White is winning) **Rf7** [33...Kf7 34.Qh7; 33...Bb7 34. de7 Rfe8 35.Bc4 Bd5 36.Qg6 Kh8 37.Qh5] **34.Bc4** [34.Qg6 Kf8 35. Bc4] **34...Bf5** [34...Qd8 35.de7 Qe7 36.Qg6 Kh8 37.Bf7 Qf8 38. Re1] **35.de7** [35.Qh5] **1-0** [*Sergey Karjakin*]



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