EVENT		ROUND
Novgorod 3rd		4
SITE	**DATE**	**RESULT**
Novgorod	23 July 1996	**½–½**
☐ WHITE	**■ BLACK**	
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	☐ WHITE	■ BLACK
1	e4	e5
2	Nf3	Nc6
3	Bb5	a6
4	Ba4	Nf6
5	O-O	Be7
6	Re1	d6
7	c3	Bg4
8	d3	Nd7
9	Nbd2	Nc5
10	Bc2	Ne6
11	h3	Bh5
12	Nf1	Ng5
13	Bxg5	Bxg5
14	Ng3	Bxf3
15	Qxf3	g6
16	Rad1	Qf6
17	Qe2	O-O
18	Nf1	Qg7
19	Nh2	f5
20	Nf3	Bf6
21	d4	exd4
22	cxd4	Rae8
23	Qc4+	Kh8
24	Kf1	fxe4
25	Bxe4	Nd8
26	b4	Re7
27	Re3	Rfe8
28	Rde1	Qh6
29	a4	c6
30	d5	b5

	☐ WHITE	■ BLACK
31	axb5	cxb5
32	Qa2	Qg7
33	Qxa6	Bc3
34	Rc1	Bxb4
35	Qxb5	Bc5
36	Re2	Qf6
37	Bd3	Rxe2
38	Bxe2	Re4
39	Bd3	Re7
40	Qa6	Ra7
41	Qc4	Nf7
42	Qc3	Ne5
43	Qb2	Re7
44	Re1	Kg7
45	Nd4	h5
46	Nf3	Rf7
47	Be4	Nxf3
48	Qxf6+	Kxf6
49	Bxf3	Re7
50	Rb1	Ra7
51	Rb2	**½–½**
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