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□ Anand,V

■ Kasparov,G

11th matchgame, PCA World Ch. (Game 44) 1995
[Moreno Ruiz,Javier]

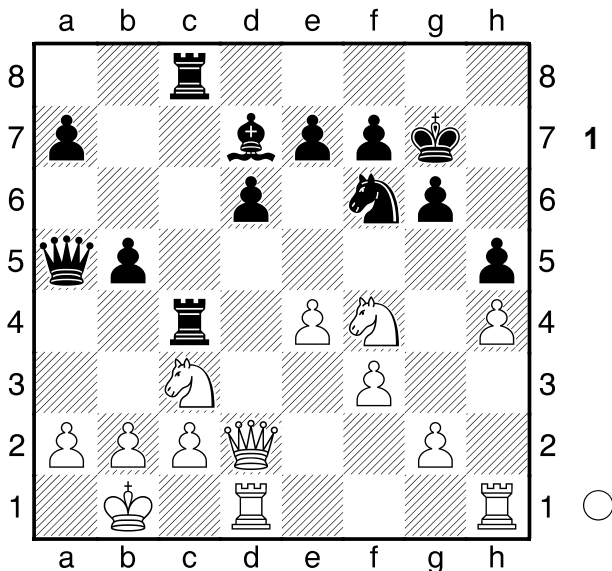
1.e4 c5 2.♟f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♞xd4 ♟f6 5.♝c3 g6
[5...a6]
6.♙e3 ♙g7 7.f3 0-0 8.♞d2 ♞c6 9.♙c4 ♙d7 10.0-0-0
♞e5 11.♙b3 ♞c8 12.h4 h5 It was Garry's first time
playing the Dragon in a serious tournament game, and I
guess you could say it's the definitive confirmation of
the viability of the Soltis variant. 13.♟b1 ♞c4 14.♙xc4

♙xc4 15.♞de2
[15.♙h6 ♞xd4 16.♞xd4 ♙xh6]

15...b5 16.♙h6 ♞a5

[It is not a theoretical novelty, since it was previously
played in A.Suetin-I.szabo, Leningrad 1967, but it is
very rare. Most of the attention had focused earlier in
16...b4 with the most important game that interestingly
involves one of the seconds of Anand and after
17.♙xg7 ♟xg7 18.♞d5 ♞xd5 19.exd5 ♞a5 20.b3
♞c5 21.g4! White had good attack opportunities at p.
wolff-ki.georgiev, interzonal Biel 1993.]

17.♙xg7 ♟xg7 18.♞f4 ♞fc8



19.♞cd5 White choose to simplify since they recognize
that they have no real attack, while Kasparov mentioned
more than once after the game that "White has no real
chance of getting advantage in the dragon if they do not
play G4". 19...♞xd2 20.♞xd2 Here Anand declined an
offer of tables after four minutes thought; The first time
in the Match that he had rejected an offer. During the
press conference, Garry compared this game with the
47 of the epic first meeting of him with Anatoly Karpov,
in which he rejected some tables in an equal end and
lost. Something similar happens here. 20...♞xd5
21.♞xd5 ♟f8

[21...e5 22.♞e3]

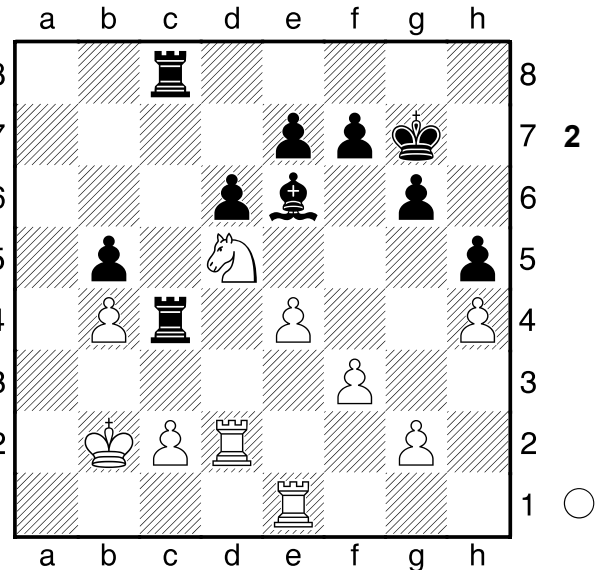
22.♞e1 ♞b8

[A mysterious rook move instead of the more direct
22...♙e6.]

23.b3 ♞c5 24.♞f4 ♞bc8 25.♟b2 a5 26.a3 ♟g7
27.♞d5 ♙e6 28.b4?

[Losing the thread while 28.♞xe7 It was superior, as

Kasparov demonstrated later. After ♞e8 29.♞d5
♙xd5 30.b4 axb4 31.axb4 ♞c4 32.♞xd5 ♞xb4+!
a draw is likely, as after 33.♟c1 f5 34.♞xd6 fxe4
35.fxe4 ♞exe4 36.♞xe4 ♞xe4 37.g3 ♙g4 38.♞d3]
28...axb4 29.axb4 ♞c4



30.♞b6??

[A horrible hallucination and white had to try 30.♞xe7
, although ♞xb4+ 31.♟c1 ♙a2! 32.♞xd6 ♞b1+
33.♟d2 ♞xc2+ 34.♟xc2 ♞xe1 leaves Black with
some winning chances.]

30...♞xb4+ 31.♟a3 ♞xc2 32.♞xc2 ♞b3+ 33.♟a2
♞e3+ 34.♟b2 ♞xe1
0-1

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□ Nouro,M

■ Hansen,SB

Copenhagen (Game 26)

1996

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1.e4 c5 2.♟f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♞xd4 ♟f6 5.♝c3 g6
6.♙e3 ♙g7 7.f3 ♞c6 8.♞d2 0-0 9.g4 ♙e6 10.0-0-0
♞xd4 11.♙xd4 ♞a5 12.a3 ♞ab8!

(Diagrama 3)

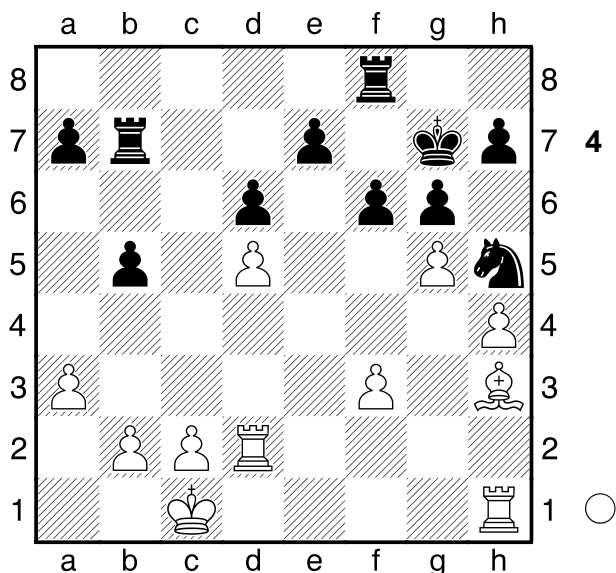
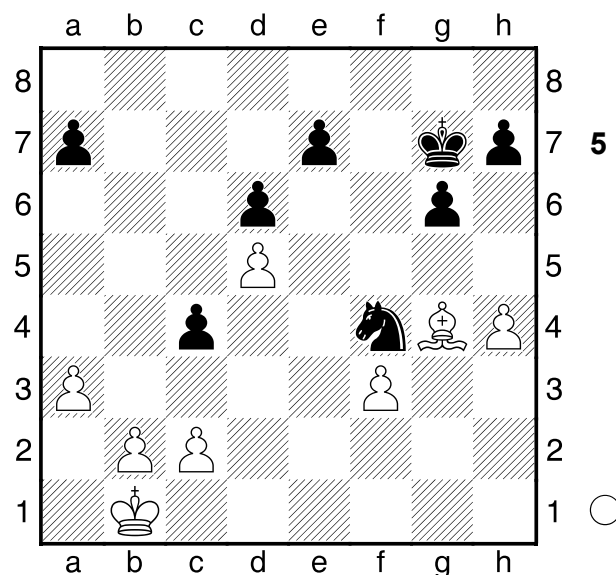
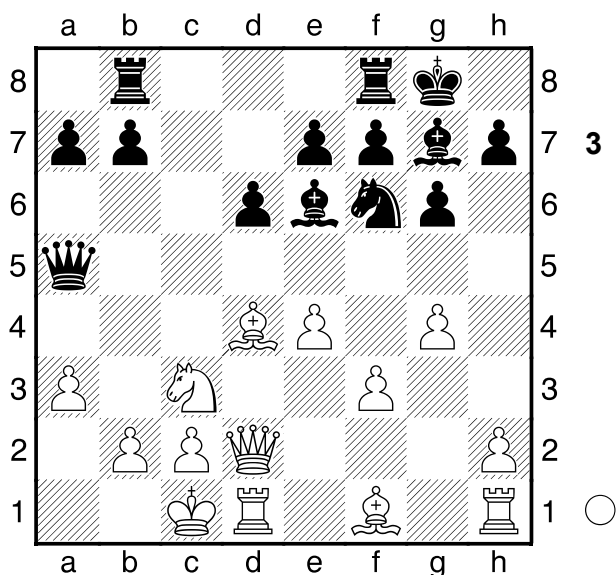
An important idea! The black wants to play a quick ... B5-
B4, taking the lead in the race race. If the target plays
KB1 then corresponds to RFC8! Avoiding the white ND5
threat. 13.h4

[13.♞e1!? has been suggested, with the idea of 13...
b5? 14 Nd5!, but Black is fine after ♞fc8!]

13...b5 14.g5

[The possibilities of black are also more than enough
after 14.h5 b4! como lo demostró el 15.♞b1 ♞fc8
16.hxg6 fxg6 17.g5 ♞h5 18.♙xg7 ♟xg7 19.f4 ♙b3
20.♙d3 ♞a4 of D.Popescu-D.Dumitrache, Creon
2000. 21.♞xh5 gxh5 22.♞h1 ♙a2 23.f5 bxa3
24.f6+ ♟h8 25.♞xh5 exf6 26.g6 ♞c7 27.♞f4 axb2+
28.♟d2 ♞d4 0-1 (28) Popescu,D (2353)-Dumitrache,
D (2443) Creon 2000]

14...♞h5 15.♙xg7 ♟xg7 16.♞d5 ♞xd2+ 17.♞xd2
♞b7 18.♙h3 ♙xd5 19.exd5 f6!



This is a particularly good game to show, because here we can see Black making good use of his rook which is still on f8. He has the better endgame as his knight is more useful than the bishop: something which is fully illustrated by the next pair of moves after which Black enjoys a dream position. The finals are good for the black in the dragon !! 20. ♗g4 ♜f4! 21. ♝b1 ♞c7 22. ♞d4 ♞c4! 23. ♞xc4 bxc4 24. gxf6+ ♞xf6 25. ♞d1 ♜g2! 26. ♞d4 ♞f4 27. ♞xf4 ♜xf4

(Diagrama 5)

28. ♝c1

[Blacks also earn after 28. ♞c8 ♜xd5 29. ♞e6 ♜e3 30. ♝c1 ♝f6 But in departure the knight is especially effective since D5.]

28... ♝f6 29. ♝d2 ♜xd5 30. b3 h5 31. ♞h3 c3+ 32. ♝e1 g5 33. hxg5+ ♝xg5 34. ♝f2 ♝f4
0-1