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1 Object prefer[2] = {null, null};  
2  
3 Object decide(Object input) {  
4     int i = Thread.currentThread().getId();  
5     int j = 1-i;  
6     prefer[i] = input;  
7     while (true) {  
8         if (prefer[j] == null) {  
9             return prefer[i];  
10        } else if (prefer[i] == prefer[j]) {  
11            return prefer[i];  
12        } else {  
13            if (flip()) {  
14                prefer[i] = prefer[j];  
15            }  
16        }  
17    }  
18}
```

FIGURE 5.19 Is this a randomized consensus protocol?