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1.d4

A88: Dutch Defence: Leningrad System: 5 Nf3 0-0 6 0-0 d6 7 Nc3 c6

1...d6 2.c4 f5 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.g3 g6 5.Bg2 Bg7 6.O-O O-O 7.Nc3 Qe8 8.b3 Na6 9.Ba3 c6 10.Qd3 Rb8 11.e4 fxe4 12.Nxe4 Bf5 13.Nxf6+ Bxf6 14.Qd2 Nc7 15.Rae1 Qd7 16.h4 b5 17.Re3 bxc4 18.bxc4 Bh3 19.Rfe1 Bxg2

last book move

e7 seems the pivot of the position

25...Qf5 26.Qd2 (26.Qxa7 Qxf3+ 27.Kxf3 Bxd4+ 28.Kg4 Bxa7 29.Bxe7 Rxf2 (...Rxe7 30.Rxe7 Bxf2 31.a4) (...Nxe7 30.Rxe7 Rxe7 31.Rxe7 Bxf2 32.a4)) **26...Bg7 27.Nh2 Rf7 28.Bc5**

The white bishop on an outpost

A valuable piece

34.R5e2 a6 35.Qd3 Qh3 (...Ra8) 36.Nf3 (36.Qxa6 Ref8 37.Qa5 (37.Qxc6 Rxf2 38.Rxf2 Qxg3+ 39.Kh1 Rxf2 (...Qxf2 40.Rf1 Qa2 41.Rxf8+ Bxf8 42.Kg1) 40.Qa8+ Bf8 41.Qxf8+ Rxf8 42.Re2 Rf2 43.Rxf2 Qxf2 44.Ng4 Qf1+ 45.Kh2 Nf4 46.Ne3 Qf2+ 47.Kh1 Qxh4+ 48.Kg1 Qg3+ 49.Kf1 Qxe3 50.Bb6 Qe2+ 51.Kg1 Qg2#) (37.Bxe7 Rxf2 (...Nxe7 38.Rd1) 38.Rxf2 Qxg3+ 39.Kh1 Rxf2 (...Qxf2 40.Re2 Qxd4 41.Bxf8 Qd1+ 42.Kg2 Nf4+ 43.Kf3) 40.Qc8+ Bf8 41.Bf6+ Nxf6 42.Qxf8+ Ng8 43.Qxf2 Qxf2)) 36...Nf4

Do you see the mate threat?

37.gxf4 Rxf4

The mate threat is Rg4

38.Ne5 (38.Re4 Qg4+ 39.Kf1 Rxf3 40.Rxg4 Rxd3 41.Re6) **38...Rg4**+ keeping the advantage

39.Nxg4

Theme: Deflection from d3

39...Qxd3 40.Re4 Qf3 41.Nh2 Qf5 42.Bxe7 (42.Kg2 Rf8 43.f3 Bf6) **42...Kg8 43.f3** (43.R1e3 Qd5) **43...Qh3 44.R1e2** (44.Kh1) **44...Qg3+ 45.Rg2 Bxd4+** a devastating blow

46.Kh1 (46.Rxd4 Qe1+) 46...Qh3 47.Rgg4 (47.a5 Bc3) 47...c5 48.h5 (48.Re1 Bf6 49.Rge4 Bxe7 50.Rxe7 Rxe7 51.Rxe7 Qxh4) 48...Rb8 49.Re1 Be5 50.Rh4 Qf5 51.hxg6 hxg6 52.Re2 (52.Bxc5 Bg3 53.Rb4 Rc8 (...Bxe1 54.Rxb8+ Kh7 55.Rb7+ Kh8 56.Rb8+ Kg7 57.Rb7+ Kf6 58.Ng4+ Kg5 59.Be3+ Kh4 60.Kg2 Qc2+ 61.Nf2) (...Qxc5 54.Rxb8+ Bxb8 55.Re8+ Kf7 56.Rxb8)) 52...Rb1+ (...Qb1+ 53.Kg2 Rb2 54.Rxb2 Qxb2+ 55.Kg1) 53.Kg2 Bd4 54.Ng4 (54.Rxd4 cxd4 55.Ng4) 54...Rg1+ 55.Kh2 (55.Kh3 Qxf3+ 56.Kh2 Rh1#) 55...Qf4+ (...Qf4+ 56.Kh3 Qg3#) 0-1