
OPENING REPORT

Database: FrenchAdv (6,013 games)

Report: 1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 (5128 games)

ECO: C02a [French: Advance]

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1. STATISTICS AND HISTORY

1.1 Statistics

	Games	1-0	=-=	0-1	Score
All report games	5128	1793	1887	1448	53.3%

1.2 Oldest games

- 1: 0-1(15) Rubinetti J 2455 Ivkov B 2485, ? 1970
- 2: 0-1(62) Kupreichik Viktor D (BLR) 2500 Alburt Lev O (USA) 2450, Dubna (Russia) 1970
 - 3: 1-0(27) Kupreichik Viktor 2510 Kortschnoj Viktor 2635, ? 1970 [1]
 - 4: 1-0(38) Bronstein 2520 Korchnoi 2635, Herceg Novi YUG 1970.04.08 [2]
 - 5: 0-1(35) Bisguier 2470 Westerinen 2450, Netanya ISR 1971

1.3 Newest games

- 1: =-=(32) Markgraf 2463 Meier 2608, Saarbruecken GER 2009.02.14
- 2: 1-0(34) Areshchenko 2673 Danin 2465, Moscu RUS 2009.02.02 [113]
- 3: 1-0(35) Sandipan 2568 Quillan 2357, Gibraltar ENG 2009.01.31
- 4: 0-1(35) Iuldachev 2520 Girinath 2404, Gurgaon IND 2009.01.23
- 5: 0-1(45) Sepp 2457 Yemelin 2578, Tallinn EST 2009.01.10

1.4 Current popularity

Year 1800-99 1900-49 1950-69 1970-79 1980-89 1990-99 2000-09 Once every X games --- 1 1 1 1

Frequency in all years: once every 1 games

In the 10 years to today: once every 1 games (no change from all years)

In the 5 years to today: once every 1 games (no change from all years)

In the 1 year to today: once every 1 games (no change from all years)

1.5 Most frequent players (White)

- 1: 60 1997-2008 73% 2723 Movsesian, Sergei [1,9,10,15,34,36,58,62,...]
- 2: 60 1979-2005 60% 2585 Sveshnikov, Evgeny E
- [1,46,50,69,79,81,83,99,...]
 - 3: 44 1972-2007 56% 2560 Kupreichik, Viktor D [15,51,56,105]
 - 4: 41 1999-2007 70% 2720 Grischuk, Alexander
- $[10,11,21,25,30,39,45,49,\ldots]$
 - 5: 40 1987-2008 64% 2570 Haba, Petr [1]
 - 6: 29 1998-2008 64% 2615 Dvoirys, Semen I [1,17,24,29,75,107,113]

1.6 Most frequent players (Black)

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1: 35 1986-2006 63% 2694 Gurevich, Mikhail [10,11,39,49,50,55,81,83,...]
2: 34 1996-2008 53% 2648 Volkov, Sergey [19,30,31,34,40,41,42,46,...]
3: 28 1987-2006 50% 2729 Bareev, Evgeny [3,9,11,52,53,62,68,73,...]
4: 28 1976-2008 38% 2670 Vaganian, Rafael A [1,24,30,56,61,62,68,70,...]
5: 24 1970-2003 52% 2695 Korchnoi, Viktor L [2,15,16,25,28,51,62,63,...]
6: 21 1985-2007 57% 2661 Nikolic, Predrag
[9,10,96,99,100,101,103,105,...]
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2. RATINGS AND PERFORMANCE

2.1 Average ratings and performance

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White rating: 2519 (2000 games); White performance: 2556 (54% vs 2527) Black rating: 2527 (2000 games); Black performance: 2490 (46% vs 2519)
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2.2 Games with highest average rating

- 1: 0-1(61) Onnein 2750 Pera 2760, ? 1998 [15]
- 2: =-=(34) Shirov 2746 Anand 2762, Tehran IRI 2000 [63]
- 3: 1-0(36) Svidler 2742 Gelfand 2729, Rishon Le Ziyyon 2006 [39]
- 4: 1-0(31) Grischuk 2715 Gelfand 2736, Moscow 2007 [51]
- 5: 1-0(49) Morozevich 2742 Bareev 2707, Monte Carlo 2002 [78]
- 6: 0-1(13) Svidler 2733 Shirov 2713, Leon 2004 [34]
- 7: 0-1(47) Van Wely 2655 Topalov 2788, Dortmund 2005 [86]
- 8: 1-0(45) Shirov 2690 Kramnik 2740, Monaco MNC 1997 [81]

3. RESULT TRENDS

3.1 Result lengths and frequencies

	Score	Game length			Frequency				
		1-0	=-=	0-1	1-0	=-=	0-1		
Report games	53.3%	42	35	40	34.9%	36.7%	28.2%		
All games	53.4%	41	35	42	34.8%	37.2%	27.8%		

3.2 Shortest wins (White)

- 1: 1-0(9) Klauner 2422 Savchur 2577, ICCF 2005
- 2: 1-0(11) Peng Xiaomin 2624 Reefat 2379, Udaipur IND 2000
- 3: 1-0(12) Illescas Cordoba Miguel 2555 Jussupow Artur 2655, ? 1992 [40]
- 4: 1-0(12) Velimirovic 2525 Kholmov 2540, Jugoslavia-Horr 1975
- 5: 1-0(13) Kosanski 2376 Gleizerov 2564, Zadar CRO 2005

3.3 Shortest wins (Black)

- 1: 0-1(12) Ivanov 2505 Gausel 2500, Gausdal 1993
- 2: 0-1(12) Alvarez Rouchaud 2485 Stolyar 2485, CAPA email 1998
- 3: 0-1(13) Svidler 2733 Shirov 2713, Leon 2004 [34]
- 4: 0-1(14) Sveshnikov E 2585 Balashov Y 2510, ? 1978
- 5: 0-1(15) Grischuk 2665 Korchnoi 2615, ? 2001 [25]

4. MOVES AND THEMES

4.1 Move orders reaching the report position

There were 4 move orders reaching this position:

- 1: 1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 (4946)
- 2: 1.d4 e6 2.e4 d5 3.e5 (180)
- 3: 1.e4 d5 2.d4 e6 3.e5 (1)
- 4: 1.e4 d5 2.e5 e6 3.d4 (1)

4.2 Moves from the report position

2: 3: 4: 5:	Move c5 b6 Ne7 Bd7 Qd7 Nc6	ECO C02c C02b C02a	-	94.8% 3.1% 0.9% 0.7% 0.1% 0.0%	Score 53.1% 59.9% 52.0% 52.6% 45.0% 80.0%	AvElo 2447 2421 2436 2428 2409	Perf 2419 2359 2378 2397 2480	AvYear 1998 1994 1990 1997 1999	%Draws 37% 38% 32% 21% 30% 0%
	Nc6 Be7		5: 1:	0.0%	80.0% 100.0%			1994 2007	0% 0%
TOTA	AL:		5128:	100.0%	53.3%	2446	2418	1998	37%

4.3 Positional Themes

Frequency of themes in the first 20 moves of each game:

Same-side castling:	37%	White Isolated Queen Pawn:	12%
Opposite castling:	17%	Black Isolated Queen Pawn:	12%
Kingside pawn storm:	9%	White Pawn on 5/6/7th rank:	100%
Queens exchanged:	39%	Black Pawn on 2/3/4th rank:	44%
Only one side has Bishop pair:	10%	Open c/d/e file:	68%

4.4 Endgames

Material at the end of each game:

	P	BN	R	R,BN	Q	Q,BN	Q,R Q	,R,BN
Report games	1%	8%	7%	25%	2%	6%	4%	47%
All games	2%	8%	7%	24%	2%	6%	4%	47%

5. THEORY TABLE

	l.e4 e6 2	.d4 d5 3.6	e5: +1793	=1887 -14	48 (2736	.5/5128:	53%) 		
	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
1	e5 c5[1]	Nf3[2] Nc6[3]	Bd3 cd4	00 f6[4]	Qe2 fe5[5]	Ne5 Nf6	Bf4[6] Bd6	Nd2 00[7]	33: 64%
2		c3 Bd7[8]	Nf3 Qb6[9]	a3[10] cd4[11]	cd4 Bb5	Bb5 Qb5	Nc3 Qa6	Ne2[12] Nd7[13]	24: 65%

3		 Qb6	Nf3[14] Nc6	a3[15] Nh6[16]	b4[17] cd4	cd4 Nf5	Bb2[18] Bd7[19]	g4[20] Nh6[21]	33: 42%
4	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • •	• • • •	 c4	Nbd2[22] Na5[23]	g3[24] Bd7[25]	Bh3[26] Be7[27]	Rb1 h5[28]	16: 47%
5			 Bd7	Bd3[29] cd4[30]	Nd4 Nc6[31]	Nc6 bc6	00 Ne7[32]	Nd2 Ng6[33]	21: 64%
6				Be2 cd4[34]	cd4 Bb5[35]	Nc3[36] Be2[37]	Ne2 Ne7[38]	00 Nec6[39]	29: 67%
7				a3 Bb5[40]	c4[41] dc4[42]	Nc3[43] cd4[44]	Nb5 Qb5	Qd4 Nc6[45]	25: 60%
8				 a5	Be2[46] a4[47]	00 Nc6	Bd3[48] Na5[49]	Bc2 Nc4[50]	17: 56%
9	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	Nc6	Nf3[51] Nh6	Bd3[52] cd4	cd4[53] Nf5	Bf5 ef5	Nc3 Be6	Ne2[54] h6[55]	24: 56%
10	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	 Nge7	Na3[56] cd4[57]	cd4 Nf5	Nc2 Qb6[58]	Bd3[59] Bb4[60]	Kf1 Be7[61]	22 : 75%
11	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	 Qb6	a3[62] Bd7[63]	b4[64] cd4	cd4 Rc8	Be3[65] Nge7[66]	Bd3 Nf5[67]	34: 51%
12	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		 c4	Nbd2[68] Na5[69]	g3[70] Bd7[71]	h4[72] Ne7[73]	Ng5 h6[74]	22 : 68%
13	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		Nh6	b4[75] cd4[76]	cd4[77] Nf5	Bb2[78] Bd7[79]	g4[80] Nfe7[81]	36: 53%
14		• • • •	 Bd7	a3[82] f6[83]	Bd3[84] Qc7[85]	00[86] 000[87]	Qe2[88] h6	b4 c4[89]	30: 45%
15				Be2 f6[90]	00[91] fe5[92]	Ne5[93] Ne5	de5 Qc7[94]	c4[95] 000[96]	24: 58%
16		•••		Rc8	00[97] a6[98]	Na3[99] cd4	cd4 Ba3	ba3 Nge7[100]	23 :]61%
17	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • •	 Nge7	00[101] Ng6[102]	Be3[103] Be7[104]	Bd3[105] Qb6	Qd2 cd4[106]	16: 56%
18		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •			Na3 cd4[107]	cd4 Ng6[108]	h4[109] Bb4[110]	Kf1 h6[111]	20: 63%
19						Nf5	Nc2[112] Nb4[113]	00[114] Nc2[115]	29: 64%
20		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •			• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		 Qb6	00[116] a5[117]	22 : 52%

Generated from the 500 highest-rated games.

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[*1*] 3...b6 4.c3 Qd7 5.a4 a5 6.Nf3 Ba6 7.Bxa6 Nxa6 8.00 h5 9.b3 Nh6 10.c4 Nb4 11.Nc3 Nf5 12.cxd5 Nxd5 13.Ne4 Be7 14.Bg5 Bxg5 15.Nexg5 Rd8 16.Qc1 Qe7 17.Rd1 Kf8 18.Ne4 g6 19.Ra2 Kg7 20.Rc2 Rd7 =-=(22) Sax 2565 - Vaganian 2615, Debrecen HUN 1992;
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=-=(23) Sax 2600 - Vaganian 2590, ? 1992;

6.Nd2 Ne7 7.Ndf3 c5 8.Bd3 Ba6 9.Ne2 Bxd3 10.Qxd3 Nbc6 11.00 cxd4 12.Nexd4 Nxd4 13.Nxd4 Nc6 14.Nb5 Bc5 15.Qg3 OO 16.Bg5 Kh8 17.Rad1 f6 18.exf6 gxf6 19.Be3 e5 20.f4 Rad8 =-=(56) Ehlvest 2628 - Vaganian 2627, Istanbul TUR 2000;

6.f4 Ne7 7.Nd2 h5 8.Ndf3 Ba6 9.Bxa6 Nxa6 10.Be3 Nf5 11.Bf2 Be7 12.Ne2 h4 13.00 000 14.Qd2 Rdg8 15.Rfb1 Nb8 16.b4 Nc6 17.Nc1 g5 18.fxg5 Rg7 19.Nb3 axb4 20.a5 Kb8 1-0(27) Kupreichik Viktor 2510 - Kortschnoj Viktor 2635, ? 1970;

5...Ba6 6.Bxa6 Nxa6 7.Qd3 Qc8 8.b4 Ne7 9.b5 Nb8 10.Nd2 a6 11.Rb1 axb5 12.axb5 c6 13.Ne2 cxb5 14.Rxb5 Nd7 15.00 Qa6 16.Nf4 Nc6 17.Bb2 Be7 18.c4 dxc4 19.Qxc4 Rc8 20.Ra1 Nxd4 =-=(23) Ye Jiangchuan 2681 - Ivanchuk 2731, Moscow 2001;

5.Nd2 c5 6.Ndf3 Ba6 7.Ne2 Nc6 8.h4 000 9.a3 f6 10.b4 fxe5 11.dxe5 Nh6 12.Bg5 Re8 13.bxc5 Bxc5 14.Ned4 Bxf1 15.Kxf1 Rhf8 16.Bxh6 gxh6 17.Qe2 Na5 18.Nd2 Kb8 19.g3 Rc8 20.Kg2 Rfe8 0-1(48) Khalifman 2690 - Short 2676, Moscow RUS 2001;

5.Nf3 a5 6.a4 h5 7.Na3 Bxa3 8.Rxa3 Ne7 9.g3 Ba6 10.h3 c5 11.Bxa6 Nxa6 12.Kf1 cxd4 13.cxd4 000 14.Kg2 Kb7 15.Rc3 Rc8 16.Ng5 Nf5 17.Rxc8 Kxc8 18.b3 Qe7 19.Nf3 Kb7 20.Bd2 Rc8 1-0(24) Dvoirys 2552 - Vaganian 2653, Istanbul 2003;

4.Nf3 Ne7 5.Nc3 Ba6 6.Bxa6 Nxa6 7.00 Qd7 8.Ne2 c5 9.dxc5 bxc5 10.Ng3 Qb5 11.b3 h6 12.c4 Qb7 13.Qe2 Rd8 14.Be3 Nc6 15.Rad1 d4 16.Bd2 Qc7 17.Nh5 Nab8 18.Rfe1 Nd7 19.Qe4 a5 20.h4 Rb8 1-0(32) Svidler 2723 - Rustemov 2604, Germany 2004;

8...Nb8 9.Ng3 Nbc6 10.b3 OOO 11.Bb2 Kb7 12.c4 Nf5 13.Qe2 Be7 14.Rad1 g5 15.Ne1 Ng7 16.Nc2 h5 17.Qf3 h4 18.Ne2 Nf5 19.Ne3 Nxe3 20.fxe3 Rhf8 0-1(102) Ulibin 2579 - Rustemov 2593, Tomsk 2004;

4...Qd7 5.c4 Ne7 6.Nc3 Bb7 7.Be3 h6 8.Rc1 Nbc6 9.a3 dxc4 10.Bxc4 Nf5 11.Qe2 Nxe3 12.fxe3 Na5 13.Bb5 c6 14.Ba4 b5 15.Bc2 Nc4 16.Bd3 Be7 17.00 00 18.Ne4 a5 19.Rf2 Ba6 20.h3 a4 1-0(37) Volkov 2612 - Vaganian 2670, Moscow 2005;

4.Bb5+ Bd7 5.Bd3 c5 6.c3 Nc6 7.Nf3 f6 8.00 fxe5 9.dxe5 Qc7 10.Re1 Nh6 11.c4 d4 12.Na3 a6 13.Be4 000 14.Nc2 Nf7 15.Bf4 Be7 16.b4 g5 17.Bg3 g4 18.Nd2 Ncxe5 19.a4 cxb4 20.a5 bxa5 1-0(37) Anand 2715 - Rogers 2520, ? 1990;

4...c6 5.Ba4 b5 6.Bb3 c5 7.c3 Ne7 8.Nf3 Nec6 9.00 h6 10.Be3 Nd7 11.Nbd2 c4 12.Bc2 b4 13.Ba4 Qc7 14.cxb4 Nxb4 15.a3 Nd3 16.Qc2 Ba6 17.b3 Be7 18.bxc4 dxc4 19.Bxd7+ Kxd7 20.d5 exd5 0-1(49) Shabalov 2555 - Seirawan 2630, ? 1997;

4.h4 Qd7 5.h5 Ba6 6.Bxa6 Nxa6 7.c3 Nb8 8.Qg4 c5 9.Bg5 Nc6 10.Nf3 cxd4 11.cxd4 Nb4 12.Kd2 Qb5 13.Ne1 Nc6 14.Nd3 Nge7 15.Nc3 Qc4 16.Bxe7 Bxe7 17.Ne2 Nb4 18.Ne1 Nxa2 19.Qxg7 OOO 20.Nd3 Rdf8 =-=(62) Movsesian 2650 - Vaganian 2605, Dordrecht 1999;

4.Nc3 Ba6 5.Nge2 Qd7 6.g3 h5 7.h4 Nh6 8.Bg2 g6 9.00 Nf5 10.Bg5 Be7 11.Bxe7 Qxe7 12.Re1 Nc6 13.Nf4 000 14.Nce2 Kb8 15.c3 g5 16.hxg5 Qxg5 17.Nh3 Qg4 18.Nef4 Rdg8 19.Kh2 h4 20.Qxg4 Rxg4 0-1(31) Baklan 2552 - Vaganian 2605, Dordrecht 1999.

3...Bd7 4.c3 a6 5.Nd2 Bb5 6.Bxb5+ axb5 7.Ne2 Nd7 8.00 h5 9.Nf4 g6 10.Nf3 Nb6 11.h4 Nh6 12.Nd3 Nf5 13.g3 Be7 14.Bg5 Ra7 15.Qc1 Kf8 16.Kg2 Kg7 17.Rh1 Nc4 18.Qf4 Ra8 19.a3 b6 20.Rae1 Rc8 1-0(51) Motylev 2649 - Rustemov 2593, Tomsk 2004;

5...c5 6.Ndf3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Qb6 8.Nh3 Nc6 9.a3 Nge7 10.b4 Nf5 11.Be3 h6 12.Bd3 g5 13.g4 Nxe3 14.fxe3 Bg7 15.00 000 16.Nf2 f6 17.exf6 Bxf6 18.Rb1 Na7 19.a4 Kb8 20.Be2 h5 0-1(43) Najer 2606 - Bauer 2595, playchess.com INT 2004;

4.Nf3 a6 5.Bg5 Be7 6.Bxe7 Nxe7 7.Be2 c5 8.dxc5 Nbc6 9.c4 Qa5+ 10.Nc3 d4 11.Nxd4 Qxc5 12.Nf3 Nxe5 13.Ne4 Qb4+ 14.Qd2 Qxd2+ 15.Kxd2 N7g6 16.Nxe5 Nxe5 17.f4 Ng6 18.Ke3 Nh4 19.g3 Nf5+ 20.Kf2 Bc6 =-=(22) Haba 2536 - Graf 2586, Neustadt 2008.

- 3...Qd7 4.Nf3 b6 5.c4 Bb4+ 6.Nbd2 Ne7 7.a3 Bxd2+ 8.Bxd2 Ba6 9.b3 Nf5 10.Bc3 Qc6 11.Nd2 dxc4 12.bxc4 Nd7 13.Qc2 OOO 14.d5 Qa8 15.Be2 Nh4 16.Qe4 g5 17.dxe6 Nxg2+ 18.Kf1 Bb7 19.exd7+ Rxd7 20.Bf3 Bxe4 =-=(51) Harikrishna 2664 Short 2645, Wijk aan Zee 2008;
- 4.c3 b6 5.a4 a5 6.f4 h5 7.Be3 Ne7 8.Nd2 Ba6 9.Bxa6 Nxa6 10.Ne2 Nb8 11.Nf3 Nf5 12.Bf2 Nc6 13.00 Nce7 14.Qd3 Rc8 15.g3 c5 16.h3 Nc6 17.g4 c4 18.Qc2 hxg4 19.hxg4 Nh6 20.Nh2 f5 =-=(50) Peng 2550 Vaganian 2630, ? 1998.
- 3...Ne7 4.Nf3 b6 5.c3 Qd7 6.a4 a5 7.b3 Ba6 8.Bxa6 Nxa6 9.00 c5 10.Na3 Nc6 11.Nb5 Be7 12.Ng5 h6 13.Qh5 g6 14.Qh3 cxd4 15.cxd4 Nc7 16.Nxc7+ Qxc7 =-= Sax 2565 Petrosian 2645, Hastings ENG 1977;
- 7.Na3 Ba6 8.Bxa6 Nxa6 9.00 c6 10.Qd3 Nc7 11.Nc2 c5 12.h4 c4 13.Qe2 h5 14.Bg5 Ng6 15.Rfb1 Be7 16.Bxe7 Nxe7 17.Ne3 Rb8 18.b3 cxb3 19.Rxb3 Nf5 20.Nxf5 exf5 1-0(38) Sveshnikov 2530 Vaganian 2640, Moscow 1985.
- [*2*] 4.Qg4 f5 5.Qg3 cxd4 6.Nf3 Ne7 7.a3 Qc7 8.Bb5+ Nec6 9.00 Nd7 10.Re1 Nc5 11.Nbd2 Ne4 12.Nxe4 dxe4 13.Nxd4 a6 14.Bxc6+ bxc6 15.Rd1 c5 16.Ne2 Kf7 17.Bg5 Bd7 18.Rd2 Re8 19.Rad1 Bc8 20.Bd8 Qb7 1-0(37) Vasiukov 2560 Savon 2575, Leningrad RUS 1974;
- 4...cxd4 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 Nge7 7.00 Ng6 8.Re1 Be7 9.c3 dxc3 10.Nxc3 Bd7 11.Bd2 Nb4 12.Bb1 Rc8 13.a3 Nc6 14.Bd3 00 15.h4 f5 16.exf6 Rxf6 17.Bg5 Rxf3 18.Qxf3 Bxg5 19.Bxg6 Bxh4 20.Bf7+ Kh8 1-0(43) Sveshnikov 2541 Komarov 2582, Vrnjacka Banja YUG 1999.
- 4.Be3 Qb6 5.b3 Nc6 6.Nf3 f6 7.exf6 Nxf6 8.c4 Bd6 9.Nc3 OO 10.Nb5 Be7 11.Ne5 a6 12.Nxc6 bxc6 13.Nc3 Qb4 14.Qd2 Ne4 15.Nxe4 dxe4 16.Qxb4 cxb4 17.c5 Bf6 18.Bc4 Kh8 19.OO e5 20.Rad1 Bf5 1-0(39) Smitzer 2635 Gyopos 2630, ? 1997.
- 4.dxc5 Bxc5 5.Bd3 Qb6 6.Qe2 Nc6 7.Nf3 f6 8.00 fxe5 9.Nxe5 Nxe5 10.Qxe5 Nf6 11.Nc3 00 12.Na4 Bxf2+ 13.Kh1 Qa5 14.Qe2 e5 15.Rxf2 Bg4 16.Qe3 Qxa4 17.Qxe5 Rae8 18.b3 Qb4 19.c3 Qb6 20.Qd4 Re1+ 1-0(38) Bronstein 2520 Korchnoi 2635, Herceg Novi YUG 1970.
- [*3*] 4...cxd4 5.Bd3 Ne7 6.00 Ng6 7.Re1 Nc6 8.a3 Bd7 9.b4 Qc7 10.Qe2 Be7 11.b5 Na5 12.Bg5 Nc4 13.Bxe7 Kxe7 14.g3 Bxb5 15.h4 Rhc8 16.Nbd2 Nxd2 17.Qxd2 Bxd3 18.cxd3 Qc3 19.Qg5+ Kf8 20.h5 h6 1-0(28) Short 2635 Bareev 2650, Tilburg NED 1991;
- 6...Nec6 7.Bf4 Be7 8.Nbd2 Nd7 9.Nb3 g5 10.Bg3 Qb6 11.h3 h5 12.Re1 Rg8 13.a4 a6 14.a5 Qa7 15.Nfd2 g4 16.hxg4 hxg4 17.c4 Nf8 18.f4 gxf3 19.Qxf3 Bd7 20.Rac1 Bg5 =-=(28) Hodgson 2640 Bischoff 2556, Germany 2000;
- 5...Nc6 6.00 Nge7 7.Bf4 Ng6 8.Bg3 Be7 9.a3 00 10.Re1 f5 11.h3 Bd7 12.b4 a5 13.b5 Na7 14.a4 Bb4 15.Re2 f4 16.Bh2 Nh4 17.Nbd2 Bc3 18.Ra2 Nxf3+ 19.Nxf3 Be8 20.Nd2 f3 0-1(48) Hodgson 2550 Short 2695, Groningen NED 1996.
- [*4*] 6...Bd7 7.Re1 h6 8.a3 Bc5 9.Nbd2 Nge7 10.b4 Bb6 11.Nb3 a6 12.Bb2 OO 13.Qd2 f6 14.exf6 Rxf6 15.Nbxd4 Nxd4 16.Nxd4 Nc6 17.Bf1 Rf7 18.c4 dxc4 19.Nf3 Qe7 20.Bxc4 Raf8 1-0(53) Hodgson 2550 Morozevich 2610, Amsterdam NED 1996.
- 6...Nge7 7.Bf4 h6 8.h4 Nf5 9.h5 Qb6 10.g4 Nfe7 11.Nbd2 g5 12.Bg3 Bg7 13.Nb3 f5 14.exf6 Bxf6 15.Re1 OO 16.a4 Bg7 17.a5 Qb4 18.Qe2 Bd7 19.Kg2 1-0 Cutillas Ripoll 2513 Khlusevich 2639, AEAC 2000.
- [*5*] 7...Qc7 8.Bf4 g5 9.Bg3 g4 10.Nh4 f5 11.Nd2 Bh6 12.Nxf5 exf5 13.e6 Qg7 14.Bxf5 Qg5 15.Be5 Nxe5 16.Qxe5 Qf6 17.Qxf6 Nxf6 18.Nb3 00 19.Nxd4 Bg7 20.Nb5 Ne8 0-1(36) Kogan 2485 Glek 2635, Copenhagen DEN 1996.
- [*6*] 9.f4 Bd6 10.Nd2 00 11.Ndf3 Qe7 12.a3 Bd7 13.Bd2 Rae8 14.Be1 Bc8 15.Bh4 Qc7 16.Rae1 a6 17.Ng5 h6 18.Ngf3 Bxe5 19.Nxe5 Qb6 20.Bxf6 Rxf6 1-0(45) Sek Zbigniew (POL) 2570 Maillard William E (USA) 2550, ? 1992.

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- 11.g4 Ne7 12.Nfe1 Bb5 13.Nd3 h5 14.b4 Nac6 15.a4 Bc4 16.a5 Qc7 17.gxh5 Nf5 18.Be3 a6 19.Rb1 Rc8 20.Qd2 Be7 0-1(47) Li Shilong 2539 Wang 2605, Suzhou CHN 2006;
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- 7...Ng6 8.h4 cxd4 9.cxd4 h6 10.h5 Bxa3 11.bxa3 Nge7 12.Rb1 Na5 13.Bd2 Bc6 14.Bb4 Nc4 15.Nd2 Nf5 16.00 Nxd4 17.Bxc4 dxc4 18.Nxc4 Nf3+ 19.gxf3 Qg5+ 20.Kh2 Qh4+ 0-1(52) Stevic 2555 Nikolic 2647, Celje 17.11.-23.11.2003 2003;
- 7.00 Rc8 8.Na3 cxd4 9.cxd4 Nf5 10.Nc2 Be7 11.Bd3 Qb6 12.Bxf5 exf5 13.Bg5 Be6 14.Qd2 00 15.Bxe7 Nxe7 16.Nb4 Rc4 17.Nd3 Rfc8 18.Nc5 Qb4 19.Qxb4 Rxb4 20.b3 Rb6 1-0(56) Kramnik 2751 Rustemov 2539, Internet ICC 1999;
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- 6...Nh6 7.Bxh6 gxh6 8.00 Qb6 9.Qd2 Bg7 10.Na3 00 11.Nc2 cxd4 12.cxd4 f6 13.exf6 Rxf6 14.b4 Raf8 15.b5 Ne7 16.Ne5 Be8 17.g3 h5 18.a4 h4 19.Bd3 hxg3 20.hxg3 h5 1-0(37) Topalov 2725 Bareev 2665, Novgorod 1997.
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- 8.Nc3 Bxe2 9.Nxe2 Nc6 10.h4 a5 11.h5 h6 12.Kf1 a4 13.g3 a3 14.b3 Nge7 15.Kg2 Nc8 16.g4 N8a7 17.Be3 Nb5 18.Rh3 Rc8 19.Ne1 Nb4 20.f4 Nc3 1-0(36) Van Wely 2675 Janssen 2483, Leeuwarden 2003;
- 6...Nc6 7.00 Nge7 8.Na3 cxd4 9.cxd4 Ng6 10.Nc2 Be7 11.Bd3 00 12.Qe2 a5 13.h4 f6 14.exf6 Bxf6 15.h5 Nge7 16.Bg5 Rae8 17.h6 Nf5 18.Bxf5 exf5 19.Qd2 Re4 20.Rfe1 gxh6 0-1(59) Milos 2610 Short 2660, ? 2001;
- 7...Nh6 8.Na3 cxd4 9.cxd4 Bxa3 10.Bxh6 Bf8 11.Be3 Be7 12.Bd3 000 13.Qe2 Kb8 14.a3 Rc8 15.b4 Ka8 16.Rfc1 h6 17.Nd2 f5 18.f4 g5 19.Nb3 gxf4 20.Bf2 Rcg8 1-0(39) Movsesian 2650 Rogers 2618, Prague CZE 1999;
- 6...Nh6 7.00 Nf5 8.Bd3 Be7 9.dxc5 Bxc5 10.b4 Be7 11.Bg5 Nc6 12.Bxf5 exf5 13.Bxe7 Nxe7 14.Nbd2 Rc8 15.Rc1 00 16.Nb3 Ba4 17.Qd2 Bxb3 18.axb3 a5 19.bxa5 Qxb3 20.Nd4 Qa4 1-0(60) Timman 2655 Nikolic 2659, Dordrecht NED 2000;
- 6...a5 7.a4 Nh6 8.00 Nf5 9.g4 Nh6 10.h3 Be7 11.Na3 c4 12.b3 Qxb3 13.Qxb3 cxb3 14.Nb5 Na6 15.Rb1 Rc8 16.Rxb3 Bc6 17.Bg5 Ng8 18.Bxe7 Kxe7 19.Nd6 Rc7 20.Bxa6 bxa6 1-0(21) Nakamura 2651 Nepomniachtchi 2587, playchess.com INT 2007.
- 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.Nxd4 Nc6 8.Nxc6 Bxc6 9.Qe2 Ne7 10.Nd2 Ng6 11.Nf3 Be7 12.00 Qc7 13.Bd2 Bd7 14.Rae1 00 15.Nd4 Bc5 16.Qh5 Bxd4 17.cxd4 f5 18.exf6 Rxf6 19.Bg5 Rf7 20.Bxg6 hxg6 =-=(42) Grischuk 2671 Gurevich 2641, Wijk aan Zee NED 2002.

- 7.c4 dxc4 8.Nc3 Nc6 9.d5 000 10.d6 f6 11.Nxb5 Qxb5 12.Qc2 Nxe5 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Bxc4 Qc6 15.Bxe6+ Kb8 16.00 Nf6 17.Be3 Bxd6 18.Rfc1 e4 19.h3 Rhe8 20.Bc4 Nd5 =-=(24) Short 2690 Bareev 2665, Novgorod RUS 1997.
- 6...Nc6 7.b4 cxd4 8.cxd4 Rc8 9.Be3 Nh6 10.Bd3 Nf5 11.00 Be7 12.Nbd2 00 13.Bxf5 exf5 14.Nb3 Be6 15.Qd2 Rc7 16.h4 Rfc8 17.h5 h6 18.Nc5 Bf8 19.Ne1 a5 20.Ned3 axb4 1-0(38) Najer 2606 Socko 2579, playchess.com INT 2004;

9.Bb2 Na5 10.Nc3 Nc4 11.Bxc4 Rxc4 12.00 Nh6 13.Na4 Qa6 14.Nc5 Bxc5 15.dxc5 Nf5 16.Qd2 =-= Kreiman 2497 - Seirawan 2636, Seattle, WA USA 2003.

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- 10.b4 Nd7 11.b5 Qa5 12.Bd2 Qd8 13.Na4 Ne7 14.00 Nf5 15.Qb3 h5 16.Rfc1 Be7 17.Ra2 00 18.Rac2 Nb6 19.Ba5 Qe8 20.Bxb6 axb6 =-=(28) Vorobiov 2534 Shipov 2604, Moscow RUS 2003.
- [*13*] 11.00 Ne7 12.Ng3 Nc6 13.Nh5 g6 14.Nf4 Be7 15.Be3 Qb6 16.b4 a5 17.Rb1 axb4 18.axb4 Qb5 19.Nd3 OO 20.Nc5 Nb6 1-0(45) Motylev 2634 Milov 2574, Bastia FRA 2003;
- 13.Be3 Be7 14.Ne1 Nb6 15.Nh5 g6 16.Nf6+ Bxf6 17.exf6 Nc4 18.Nd3 Qb6 19.b3 Nd6 20.Ne5 Rc8 0-1(68) Vysochin 2584 Rustemov 2604, bereg.ru INT 2003.
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- 8...Bd7 9.Nc3 Nxd4 10.00 Bc5 11.a4 Qb3 12.Qd2 Nxf3+ 13.gxf3 Rc8 14.Qe2 Nf5 15.Bc2 Qc4 16.Bd3 Qb3 17.Bc2 Qc4 18.Bd3 Qh4 19.Bxf5 exf5 20.Nxd5 Bc6 =-=(44) Movsesian 2654 Ivanov 2561, Halkidiki 2002;
- 8.Nc3 Nf5 9.Na4 Qa5+ 10.Bd2 Bb4 11.Bc3 b5 12.a3 Bxc3+ 13.Nxc3 b4 14.axb4 Qxb4 15.Bb5 Bd7 16.Bxc6 Bxc6 17.Qd2 00 18.00 Rfb8 19.Rab1 Rb6 20.Rfc1 Rab8 0-1(52) Shirov 2713 Ivanchuk 2711, Monte Carlo 2005;
- 7...Nge7 8.Na3 Nf5 9.Nc2 Bb4+ 10.Kf1 Be7 11.g4 Nh4 12.Nxh4 Bxh4 13.Be3 f6 14.exf6 Bxf6 15.Bd3 g6 =-= Harikrishna 2668 Akobian 2610, Lubbock 2008;
- 8.Nc3 Nf5 9.Na4 Qa5+ 10.Bd2 Bb4 11.Bc3 Bxc3+ 12.Nxc3 Qb6 13.Bb5 Bd7 14.Bxc6 Bxc6 15.Qd2 Bb5 16.000 000 17.Kb1 Kb8 18.h4 h6 19.h5 Rc8 20.g4 Ne7 =- (27) Benjamin 2593 Farago 2533, Deizisau GER 1999;
- 6...Nh6 7.Bd3 cxd4 8.cxd4 Nf5 9.Bxf5 exf5 10.Nc3 Be6 11.Ne2 h6 12.h4 000 13.Kf1 Kb8 14.Kg1 Be7 15.Rb1 f4 16.Nxf4 Bf5 17.Ra1 Be4 18.Ne2 f6 19.Rh3 Rhf8 20.Bf4 Ka8 =-=(46) Benjamin 2660 Shaked 2560, ? 1998;
- 7.b3 cxd4 8.cxd4 Nf5 9.Bb2 Bd7 10.g4 Nfe7 11.Nc3 h5 12.Na4 Qd8 13.g5 Ng6 14.Qd2 Rc8 15.Rc1 Bb4 16.Bc3 Ba3 17.Rb1 Be7 18.Nb2 Nh4 19.Rg1 Nxf3+ 20.Bxf3 Qb6 0-1(67) Kupreichik 2510 Korchnoi 2635, Muenster 1996;
- 7.Bxh6 gxh6 8.Qd2 Bg7 9.00 00 10.Na3 cxd4 11.cxd4 Bd7 12.Nc2 f6 13.exf6 Rxf6 14.b4 Raf8 15.b5 Ne7 16.Ne5 Be8 17.g3 Nf5 18.a4 h5 19.f4 Qd8 20.Ne3 Nd6 =- (86) Sandipan 2563 Rychagov 2557, Montreal CAN 2007;
- 6...f6 7.00 Bd7 8.Rel fxe5 9.Nxe5 Nxe5 10.dxe5 g6 11.c4 d4 12.Nd2 Bg7 13.Nf3 Nh6 14.Bf4 00 15.Qd2 Nf7 16.h4 Rad8 17.h5 gxh5 18.Bd3 Bc6 19.Nh4 Nh8 20.Bg5 Rd7 1-0(27) Movsesian 2629 Socko 2570, Warsaw POL 2004.
- 6.Na3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bd7 8.Nc2 Nb4 9.Ne3 Bb5 10.a3 Bxf1 11.Kxf1 Nc6 12.g3 Be7 13.Kg2 Nh6 14.g4 000 15.h3 f6 16.exf6 gxf6 17.Nxd5 Rxd5 18.Bxh6 Kb8 19.Rc1 Nxd4 20.Nxd4 Qxd4 =-=(34) Zvjaginsev 2659 Shulman 2565, Khanty Mansiysk 2005;

- 7...Nh6 8.Nc2 Nf5 9.Bd3 Be7 10.00 Bd7 11.b4 Rc8 12.a3 a5 13.Rb1 axb4 14.axb4 Na7 15.g4 Nh6 16.Ne3 Nb5 17.Bb2 f6 18.Qd2 Nf7 19.Rfc1 00 20.Ng2 Rxc1+ 0-1(36) Zhiqalko 2568 Vitiugov 2638, Warsaw 2008.
- 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bd7 8.00 Nxd4 9.Nxd4 Qxd4 10.Nc3 a6 11.Re1 Rc8 12.Qc2 h6 13.Bd2 b5 14.a3 Qb6 15.Qd1 Bc5 16.Be3 d4 17.b4 dxe3 18.bxc5 exf2+ 19.Kxf2 Qxc5+ 20.Kf1 Qxc3 0-1(61) Onnein 2750 Pera 2760, ? 1998.
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 13.Na4 Qd8 14.Rc1 Be7 15.Rg1 00 16.h4 a5 17.b5 Na7 18.Qb3 Nc8 19.Bc3 Nxh4
 20.Nxh4 Bxg5 =-=(23) Peng 2624 Korchnoi 2659, Calcutta IND 2000;
- 9.Be3 g6 10.Bd3 Nxe3 11.fxe3 Bh6 12.Qd2 f6 13.exf6 00 14.Nc3 Rxf6 15.Be2 Ne7 16.00 Nf5 17.Nd1 Rf8 18.g4 Nd6 19.Nc3 Bd7 20.Ne5 Rxf1+ =-=(31) Hall 2601 Jacot 2518, ICCF Email 2002;
- 7.dxc5 Qxc5 8.Bd3 Ng6 9.Qe2 Qb6 10.00 Be7 11.c4 dxc4 12.Bxc4 00 13.b4 Ncxe5 14.Nxe5 Nxe5 15.Bb3 Nc6 16.Be3 Nd4 17.Qd1 e5 18.Nc3 Be6 19.Nd5 Bxd5 20.Bxd5 Qb5 =-=(22) Timman 2655 Korchnoi 2659, Reykjavik ISL 2000.
- 6...Bd7 7.b4 cxd4 8.cxd4 Rc8 9.Bb2 Nge7 10.Nc3 Na5 11.Rc1 Nc4 12.Bxc4 dxc4 13.00 Nd5 14.Nxd5 exd5 15.Bc3 Be7 16.Ne1 h5 17.Nc2 Ba4 18.Qe2 Bxc2 19.Qxc2 00 20.f4 f5 =-=(36) Shirov 2705 Socko 2615, Corsico (France) 2005;
- 9...Na5 10.Nbd2 Nc4 11.Nxc4 dxc4 12.Rc1 a5 13.Nd2 axb4 14.Nxc4 Qd8 15.axb4 Bxb4+ 16.Bc3 Bxc3+ 17.Rxc3 Kf8 18.Ra3 Bc6 19.Nd6 Ra8 20.Qa1 Rxa3 =-=(35) Peng Xiaomin 2657 Socko 2528, Istanbul 2000.
- 6...f6 7.Be2 fxe5 8.dxe5 Nge7 9.c4 d4 10.Bd3 g6 11.Qe2 Bg7 12.00 Qc7 13.Bf4 00 14.Bg3 Nf5 15.Re1 Bd7 16.Nbd2 Rae8 17.Bf4 Nh4 18.Bg3 Nf5 19.Bf4 b6 20.h3 Nh4 0-1(54) Li Shilong 2524 Zhang Pengxiang 2636, Singapore 2006.
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- 6...a5 7.Bd3 Bd7 8.Bc2 Nh6 9.00 cxd4 10.cxd4 Nf5 11.Bxf5 exf5 12.Nc3 Be6 13.Na4 Qb5 14.Nc3 Qb6 15.Na4 Qb5 16.Nc3 Qb6 17.Qa4 Be7 =-= Heberla 2510 Korchnoi 2602, Banja Luka 2008.
- [*17*] 7.Bd3 Bd7 8.Bc2 a5 9.00 Be7 10.b3 cxd4 11.cxd4 Nf5 12.Bxf5 exf5 13.Nc3 Be6 14.Ne2 h6 15.h4 g6 16.g3 Qd8 17.Kg2 g5 18.hxg5 hxg5 19.Rh1 Rg8 20.Qd3 Kd7 0-1(42) Dvoirys 2612 Kortschnoj 2579, Beersheba 2004.
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- 9...Bd7 10.Bd3 Nxe3 11.fxe3 f5 12.00 Rc8 13.Nbd2 Qd8 14.Nb3 Be7 15.Rc1 00 16.Nc5 Bxc5 17.Rxc5 b6 18.Rc2 Nb8 19.Rxc8 Bxc8 20.Rf2 Rf7 =-=(32) Degraeve 2540 Zhang Pengxiang 2622, Paris FRA 2006.
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- 11.Qa4 00 12.b5 f6 13.Bxf5 exf5 14.00 Be6 15.Nc3 Na7 16.Qb3 Rfd8 17.Rfe1 fxe5 18.Nxe5 Bf6 19.a4 Qxd4 20.Ne4 Qxe4 1-0(34) Lastin 2625 Ivanov 2544, Moscow 2004;
- 10...a6 11.00 00 12.Qd2 h6 13.Bc2 Bd7 14.Bxf5 exf5 15.Nc3 Be6 16.Na4 Qb5 17.Nc3 Qb6 18.Na4 Qb5 19.Nc3 =-= Khairullin 2586 Volkov 2640, Sochi 2007;
- 10.h4 a5 11.b5 a4 12.g4 Nh6 13.Rg1 Na5 14.Qxa4 Bd7 15.Nbd2 OO 16.Rc1 Nc4 17.Nxc4 dxc4 18.Qxc4 Bxa3 19.Bxa3 Rxa3 20.Nd2 g6 =-=(38) Shabalov 2607 Ivanov 2574, Moscow 2005.

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- 0-1(46) Vallejo Pons 2662 Hillarp Persson 2512, Benidorm ESP 2003. 10...Nfe7 11.Nc3 Na5 12.Nd2 Rc8 13.Rc1 Ng6 14.h4 Be7 15.g5 h6 16.gxh6 Rxh6 17.h5 Nh4 18.Qg4 Nf5 19.Bd3 Bf8 20.Ne2 Nc4 1-0(99) Grischuk 2712 - Radjabov 2624, Wijk aan Zee 2003;
- 11...Qd8 12.h4 h5 13.Nb5 Nc8 14.Ng5 hxg4 15.Qxg4 Be7 16.Bc1 a6 17.Rg1 f5 18.exf6 Bxf6 19.Nh7 axb5 20.Qg6+ Ke7 =-=(38) Lastin 2634 Malakhatko 2529, St Petersburg RUS 2003.
- [*22*] 7.g3 Na5 8.Nbd2 Bd7 9.Bh3 OOO 10.OO Be7 11.Re1 h5 12.Nf1 Nh6 13.Rb1 h4 14.g4 Rdf8 15.Bg5 Bxg5 16.Nxg5 f6 17.Nf3 Nf7 18.Ne3 fxe5 19.dxe5 g5 20.Nd4 Re8 0-1(44) Zagorovsky Prof Vladimir Pavl 2452 Anton Volker-Michael (GER) 2672, ? 1989;
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- [*23*] 7...f6 8.Be2 fxe5 9.Nxe5 Nxe5 10.dxe5 Bc5 11.00 Ne7 12.b4 cxb3 13.Nxb3 00 14.Nxc5 Qxc5 15.Qd3 Rf7 16.Bg5 Bd7 17.c4 Qxc4 18.Qxc4 dxc4 19.Bxe7 Rxe7 20.Bxc4 Rc8 =-=(42) Predojevic 2566 Pelletier 2570, Turin ITA 2006.
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- 10...Nb3 11.Nxb3 Ba4 12.00 Qxb3 13.Qe1 Nc6 14.Bg5 h6 15.Rc1 f5 16.Be7 Kxe7 17.h5 Rg8 18.g4 Nxe5 19.Nh2 Nd7 20.Nf3 a6 1-0(23) Anand 2775 Moreno Carnero Javier ESP 2505, ? 2006;
- 9.h5 f5 10.Rb1 Nh6 11.Be2 Be7 12.00 Rc8 13.Re1 Nf7 14.Qc2 Qc7 15.Nh2 g5 16.Nhf1 g4 17.Ne3 Ng5 18.Qd1 Nb3 19.Bf1 Nxd2 20.Bxd2 Ne4 0-1(41) Shabalov 2605 Akobian 2526, Philadelphia 2004.
- 8.Be2 Bd7 9.00 Ne7 10.Rb1 Qc7 11.Nh4 Ng6 12.Ndf3 Nxh4 13.Nxh4 Be7 14.Nf3 f5 15.Bg5 Bc6 16.g3 000 17.Bxe7 Qxe7 18.Nh4 g5 19.Ng2 f4 20.Kh1 Rdf8 0-1(29) Dvoirys 2615 Vaganian 2640, Izmir 2004;
- 10.g3 Nf5 11.Ne1 Nb3 12.Nxb3 Ba4 13.Bf4 Qxb3 14.Qd2 000 15.Bg5 Be7 16.Bxe7 Nxe7 17.Bd1 Qb5 18.Bxa4 Qxa4 19.Qg5 Nf5 20.g4 h6 =-=(41) Sandipan 2546 Akobian 2575, Philadelphia, PA USA 2006.
- 8.Rb1 Bd7 9.Be2 Qc7 10.00 Ne7 11.Re1 Nc8 12.Nf1 Nb6 13.Bg5 h6 14.Bh4 Ba4 15.Qd2 Kd7 16.Bd1 Re8 17.Bxa4+ Nxa4 18.Qc2 Nb6 19.N3d2 g5 20.Bg3 h5 =-=(23) Ni Hua 2638 Wang Hao 2484, Xiapu 2005.
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- [*28*] 11.00 Bb5 12.a4 Bc6 13.Re1 g5 14.Bf1 g4 15.Nh4 Bxh4 16.gxh4 Ne7 17.b4 cxb3 18.Bd3 Ng6 19.Bxg6 fxg6 20.Nxb3 Bxa4 =-=(55) Minasian 2554 Korchnoi 2643, Ohrid MKD 2001;
 - =-=(55) Minasian 2554 Korchnoi 2643, Ohrid MKD 2001.
- [*29*] 6.Nbd2 cxd4 7.Nxd4 Nc6 8.N2f3 Nge7 9.Bd3 Nxd4 10.Nxd4 Nc6 11.Nf3 Be7 12.00 Rc8 13.Qe2 h6 14.h4 d4 15.Bd2 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nb4 17.Bd4 Bc5 18.Bxc5 Qxc5 19.Rfd1 Nxd3 20.Qxd3 Bb5 0-1(55) Erenburg 2513 Svidler 2733, playchess.com INT 2004;
- 9...Ng6 10.Qe2 Qc7 11.Nxc6 bxc6 12.00 Be7 13.c4 00 14.h4 f6 15.cxd5 cxd5 16.exf6 Bxf6 17.Bxg6 hxg6 18.Bg5 Qc4 19.Qd2 Rac8 20.Bxf6 gxf6 =-=(26) Dvoirys 2612 Kosyrev 2529, Tomsk 2004;
- 8...Nxd4 9.Nxd4 Bc5 10.Qg4 Ne7 11.Bd3 Bxd4 12.Qxd4 Qxd4 13.cxd4 Nf5 14.Be3 Nxe3 15.fxe3 Rc8 16.Kd2 h6 17.Rhf1 OO 18.b4 f6 19.exf6 Rxf6 20.Rf4 Kf7 == (60) Bareev 2726 Eingorn 2604, Halkidiki GRE 2002;
- 6...Nh6 7.Nb3 Ba4 8.Bxh6 gxh6 9.dxc5 Bxc5 10.Qd2 Bxb3 11.axb3 Nc6 12.Qc2 Rc8 13.Ra4 Bf8 14.Be2 Bg7 15.00 Bxe5 16.Nxe5 Nxe5 17.Qd2 Nc6 18.b4 00 19.Qxh6 Ne5 20.b5 Ng6 1-0(25) Dvoirys 2568 Eingorn 2589, Geneva SUI 2001;
- 6...Nc6 7.Nb3 cxd4 8.Nbxd4 Nge7 9.Bd3 Nxd4 10.Nxd4 Nc6 11.Nf3 d4 12.Qe2 dxc3 13.bxc3 Be7 14.00 00 15.h4 Rad8 16.Ng5 g6 17.h5 Be8 18.Nf3 Qc7 19.Rb1 Kh8 20.Re1 b6 =-=(42) Roiz 2563 Huzman 2589, Beer Sheba ISR 2004.
- 6.Qb3 Nc6 7.Be3 cxd4 8.Qxb6 axb6 9.Nxd4 Nxd4 10.cxd4 Ne7 11.Nc3 Nf5 12.Bd3 Nxe3 13.fxe3 Bc6 14.Nb5 Ra5 15.a4 Bb4+ 16.Ke2 Ke7 17.b3 f6 18.Rac1 Raa8 19.Rc2 h6 20.Rhc1 Rhc8 =-=(37) Delchev 2550 Milov 2606, Batumi GEO 2002.
- 6.Na3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Nc6 8.Nc2 Nb4 9.Nxb4 Bxb4+ 10.Bd2 Bxd2+ 11.Qxd2 Bb5 12.Bxb5+ Qxb5 13.a4 Qb6 14.00 Ne7 =-= Ward 2505 Tkachiev 2615, Hastings ENG 1997.
- [*30*] 6...Bb5 7.dxc5 Bxc5 8.b4 Bxd3 9.Qxd3 Bf8 10.Be3 Qc7 11.00 Ne7 12.Na3 a6 13.Rfe1 Ng6 14.Bd4 Nc6 15.Nc2 Be7 16.g3 Rc8 17.Rac1 00 18.h4 Rfd8 19.h5 Nf8 20.Ne3 h6 1-0(52) Svidler 2733 Volkov 2629, playchess.com INT 2004;
- 9...Be7 10.00 Nc6 11.a4 Rc8 12.Na3 Qd8 13.Be3 Nh6 14.Bxh6 gxh6 15.Qe3 Bf8 16.c4 d4 17.Qf4 Bxb4 18.Nb5 a6 19.Nd6+ Bxd6 20.exd6 00 1-0(42) Shabalov 2623 Volkov 2630, playchess.com INT 2004;
- 8...Bf8 9.00 Bxd3 10.Qxd3 Ne7 11.Na3 Nec6 12.Nb5 Nd7 13.Bf4 h6 14.a3 a6 15.Nd6+ Bxd6 16.exd6 00 17.c4 e5 18.Be3 d4 19.Bd2 Rae8 20.Rfe1 Re6 1-0(51) Grischuk 2705 Vaganian 2642, Mainz 2004;
 - 1-0(49) Grischuk 2720 Vaganian 2640, ? 2004.
- [*31*] 7...Ne7 8.Nd2 Nbc6 9.Nxc6 Nxc6 10.Qe2 Qc7 11.Nf3 h6 12.00 Be7 13.Re1 a5 14.Bf4 a4 15.Qd2 Kd8 16.Bg3 Kc8 17.b4 Kb8 18.Qf4 Be8 19.h4 Na7 20.Rac1 b5 1-0(35) Vallejo Pons 2635 Rustemov 2597, Mondariz Hotel Cemar 2002;
- 12...g5 13.h3 Bg7 14.Re1 000 15.Be3 Kb8 16.Bd4 Nxd4 17.Nxd4 h5 18.Rac1 g4 19.h4 f6 20.exf6 Bxf6 1-0(74) Nakamura 2580 Volkov 2629, Tripoli 2004;
- 10.Nf3 h6 11.h4 d4 12.00 dxc3 13.bxc3 Bc5 14.Qe2 Qc7 15.Rb1 000 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.Qxe3 Kb8 18.Be4 Na5 19.Nd4 Nc4 20.Qe1 Nb6 =-=(38) Nakamura 2580 Volkov 2629, Tripoli 2004.
- 7...Bc5 8.Qg4 Ne7 9.Qxg7 Rg8 10.Qf6 Rxg2 11.Bxh7 Bxd4 12.cxd4 Qxd4 13.Nc3 Qg4 14.h4 Qh5 15.Kf1 Rxf2+ 16.Kxf2 Qxh7 17.Bg5 Nbc6 18.Rac1 000 19.b4 Kb8 20.b5 Ng8 1-0(28) Volokitin 2654 Volkov 2640, Dresden 2007;
- 9.00 Ng6 10.Nf3 Bb5 11.Bxb5+ Qxb5 12.Nbd2 Nd7 13.c4 Qc6 14.b3 Ndxe5 15.Nxe5 Nxe5 16.Qxg7 Ng6 17.Nf3 Bf8 18.Qd4 dxc4 19.Bg5 c3 20.Rad1 Be7 =-=(23) Khairullin 2544 Volkov 2623, Moscu RUS 2008.

- [*32*] 9...f5 10.c4 Ne7 11.Nc3 Ng6 12.Be3 d4 13.Na4 Qa5 14.Bd2 Qxe5 15.Re1 Qf6 16.c5 Be7 17.Qb3 Bc8 18.f4 Bd8 19.Bc4 Kf7 20.Re2 Re8 0-1(42) Shabalov 2592 Akobian 2547, Stratton Mountain 2003.
- [*33*] 11.Nf3 Be7 12.Re1 00 13.Ng5 Bxg5 14.Bxg5 h6 15.Bc1 f5 16.exf6 Rxf6 17.Qc2 Be8 18.Be3 Qb8 19.Qb3 Bd7 20.Qxb8+ Rxb8 =-=(52) Ehlvest 2600 Milov 2592, Santo Domingo 2003;
- 12...c5 13.Rb1 Bb5 14.Bc2 a5 15.Ng5 Rd8 16.b3 Rd7 17.Qf3 Bd8 18.Qh3 Nf8 19.Bd2 h6 20.Nf3 d4 1-0(41) Ehlvest 2602 Ibragimov 2587, Las Vegas 2003;
- 12.Qe2 c5 13.c4 dxc4 14.Be4 Bc6 15.Qxc4 00 16.Bxc6 Qxc6 17.b3 Rfd8 18.Re1 Rd5 19.Ba3 Rad8 20.Rac1 h6 =-=(41) Potkin 2522 Lastin 2632, ? 2003; 0-1 Potkin V 2522 Lastin 2632, ? 2003.
- [*34*] 6...Bb5 7.dxc5 Bxc5 8.00 Bxe2 9.Qxe2 Qa6 10.Qxa6 Nxa6 11.Nbd2 Ne7 12.Nb3 Bb6 13.Re1 00 14.a4 Nc6 15.Be3 Bc7 16.Bf4 Nab8 17.Nc5 b6 18.Nd3 Nd7 19.Nd4 Na5 20.b3 Rfc8 0-1(46) Ivanovic 2515 Beliavsky 2640, ? 1994;
- 13...Nc6 14.a4 00 15.Be3 Bc7 16.Bf4 Nab8 17.Nc5 b6 18.Nd3 Nd7 19.Nd4 Na5 20.b3 Rfc8 0-1(46) Ivanovic 2480 Beliavsky 2650, Igalo 1994;
- 10.Qc2 Nd7 11.a4 Rc8 12.Nbd2 Ne7 13.Qb1 Ng6 14.Re1 Nf4 15.b4 Bxf2+ 16.Kxf2 Nd3+ 17.Kf1 Rxc3 18.Bb2 Nxe1+ 19.Kxe1 Re3+ 20.Kf2 Qe2+ 1-0(75) Movsesian 2645 Volkov 2620, Dos Hermanas 2004;
- 9...a5 10.c4 Ne7 11.Nc3 00 12.cxd5 Nxd5 13.Nxd5 exd5 14.Qd3 Rd8 15.Bg5 Rd7 16.Rac1 Nc6 17.Qf5 Rc7 18.e6 f6 19.Bf4 Rcc8 20.Qxd5 Ne7 1-0(45) Movsesian 2651 Volkov 2642, Panormo GRE 2002;
- 10...Qa6 11.Nc3 Qxc4 12.Qxc4 dxc4 13.Ne4 Be7 14.Nfd2 Nc6 15.Nxc4 f6 16.f4 Nh6 17.Ncd6+ Bxd6 18.Nxd6+ Ke7 19.Be3 Nf5 20.Nxf5+ exf5 1-0(72) Movsesian 2654 Volkov 2636, Panormo GRE 2002;
- 8.b4 Bxf2+ 9.Kf1 Bd7 10.Qd2 Nh6 11.Bd3 Ng4 12.Qg5 Bb5 13.c4 Bg3 0-1 Svidler 2733 Shirov 2713, Leon 2004;
- 7.c4 Bxc4 8.Bxc4 dxc4 9.d5 Ne7 10.dxe6 Qxe6 11.Nc3 Nec6 12.00 Be7 13.Bg5 00 14.Bxe7 Nxe7 15.Ne4 Nd7 16.Nfg5 Qc6 17.Qc2 h6 18.Rad1 Nd5 19.Nc3 hxg5 20.Rxd5 Rae8 =-=(51) Goloshchapov 2519 Volkov 2622, AbuDhabi 2005;
- 10...fxe6 11.00 Nf5 12.Na3 Be7 13.Nxc4 Qa6 14.b3 00 15.Bg5 Nc6 16.Qd7 Nb8 17.Qd3 Nc6 18.Bxe7 Ncxe7 19.Rad1 Nd5 20.Ng5 Nf4 =-=(48) Benjamin 2580 Nogueiras 2535, Lucerne SUI 1997;
- 9...exd5 10.Qxd5 Ne7 11.Qxc4 Qb4+ 12.Nbd2 Qxc4 13.Nxc4 Ng6 14.h4 h5 15.Bg5 Nc6 16.000 Rc8 17.Rhe1 Nd4 18.Kb1 Ne6 19.g3 b5 20.Ne3 c4 1-0(43) Sax 2600 Dreev 2580, Tilburg NED 1992;
- 8...Qb4+ 9.Nbd2 dxc4 10.a3 Qb5 11.00 Ne7 12.Ne4 Nd5 13.dxc5 Nd7 14.Nd6+ Bxd6 15.cxd6 00 16.Re1 c3 17.bxc3 Nxc3 18.Qd2 Rfc8 19.Bb2 Nd5 20.Re4 Nc5 1-0(51) Illescas Cordoba 2595 Beliavsky 2650, Madrid ESP 1995.
- 6...Nc6 7.00 cxd4 8.cxd4 Nge7 9.Na3 Nf5 10.Nc2 h5 11.b3 a5 12.Bb2 Be7 13.Ne3 Nxe3 14.fxe3 a4 15.Rb1 axb3 16.axb3 Ra2 17.Kh1 Nb4 18.Bc3 00 19.Ng1 h4 20.Nh3 Nc2 1-0(27) Shirov 2726 Kortschnoj 2601, Drammen 2004;
- 1-0(29) Alexei Shirov 2726 Viktor Kortchnoi 2601, Drammen, Norway 2004;
- 7...Rc8 8.Na3 cxd4 9.cxd4 Nge7 10.Nc2 Nb4 11.Nxb4 Qxb4 12.b3 Nc6 13.Be3 Be7 14.a3 Qb6 15.b4 a6 16.Ne1 Na7 17.Nd3 Bb5 18.Nc5 Bxc5 19.bxc5 Qc7 20.Bxb5+ axb5 =-=(43) Movsesian 2640 Berelovich 2495, Koszalin POL 1998;
- 9...Nb4 10.Bd2 Ne7 11.Bc3 h5 12.Nc2 Nxc2 13.Qxc2 Bb5 14.Rfc1 Nc6 15.Bxb5 Qxb5 16.Qd1 Be7 17.h3 Kd7 18.Qd2 a5 19.Ne1 g5 20.g3 Nb4 0-1(44) Murshed 2510 Rozentalis 2610, Yerevan ARM 1996;
- 7...Nh6 8.dxc5 Bxc5 9.b4 Be7 10.b5 Na5 11.a4 Rc8 12.Bd3 Nf5 13.g4 Nh6 14.h3 Nc4 15.Qe2 Qa5 16.Ra2 Ng8 17.Bf4 Bc5 18.Nbd2 Nxd2 19.Bxd2 Ne7 20.Rc1 OO 1-0(35) Zhigalko 2540 Nepomniachtchi 2602, Kirishi 2007;

- 7.a3 a5 8.a4 cxd4 9.cxd4 Nh6 10.Nc3 Nf5 11.Nb5 Bb4+ 12.Kf1 Be7 13.g4 Nh4 14.Nxh4 Bxh4 15.Be3 Be7 16.Kg2 OO 17.Qd2 f6 18.f4 f5 19.gxf5 Rxf5 20.Bg4 Bb4 =- = (82) Nakamura 2651 Nepomniachtchi 2587, playchess.com INT 2007.
- 6...Ne7 7.00 cxd4 8.cxd4 Bb5 9.Bxb5+ Qxb5 10.Nc3 Qd7 11.Ne2 Ng6 12.Ng3 Be7 13.Nh5 00 14.Re1 Nc6 15.Ng5 h6 16.Nf3 f6 17.exf6 Bxf6 18.b4 a6 19.Rb1 Be7 20.Qe2 Rf5 0-1(39) Kozul 2565 Kurajica 2548, Solin-Spilt CRO 2002.
- [*35*] 7...Nc6 8.Nc3 Nge7 9.00 Nf5 10.Na4 Qa5 11.Bd2 Bb4 12.Bxb4 Nxb4 13.Nc5 Qc7 14.a3 Nc6 15.b4 a6 16.Qd2 00 17.Rac1 Rab8 18.a4 Qd8 19.b5 axb5 20.Bxb5 Nfe7 1-0(45) Van den Doel Erik (NED) 2602 Sadvakasov 2534, ? 1993.
- [*36*] 8.00 Bxe2 9.Qxe2 Ne7 10.Nc3 Nbc6 11.Be3 Nf5 12.h4 Be7 13.h5 00 14.g4 Nxe3 15.fxe3 f5 16.exf6 Bxf6 17.Rf2 Qa6 18.Qd2 Be7 19.Raf1 Rf7 20.a3 Raf8 1-0(59) Movsesian 2651 Huzman 2595, Panormo GRE 2002;
- 9...Nc6 10.Be3 Nge7 11.Nc3 Nf5 12.Rfc1 Be7 13.Na4 Qd8 14.a3 00 15.b4 Qd7 16.Nc5 Bxc5 17.Rxc5 Rfc8 1-0 Hoffman 2540 Psakhis 2585, Benasque ESP 1994.
- [*37*] 8...Bb4 9.00 Bxc3 10.Bxb5+ Qxb5 11.bxc3 Ne7 12.a4 Qd7 13.Ba3 Nbc6 14.a5 00 15.Qa4 Rfd8 16.Bc5 f6 17.Rfb1 Ng6 18.Bd6 Nce7 19.Qb4 Nc8 20.Bc5 Rb8 =-=(47) Degraeve 2580 Vaisser 2575, Meribel FRA 1998;
- 14.Qd3 Rc8 15.a5 f6 16.exf6 gxf6 17.Nd2 Kf7 18.Nb3 b6 19.axb6 axb6 20.Bxe7 Nxe7 1-0(41) Degraeve 2525 Vaisser 2595, Montpellier FRA 1998; 10.bxc3 Bxe2 11.Qxe2 Qa6 12.Qd1 Ne7 13.a4 00 14.Ba3 Nbc6 15.Ng5 h6 16.Nh3 Rfe8 17.Nf4 Na5 18.Nh5 Ng6 19.f4 Rac8 20.Bb4 Nc4 1-0(32) Kramnik 2751 Rustemov 2539, Internet ICC 1999.
- [*38*] 9...Nc6 10.00 Nge7 11.Rb1 Ng6 12.h4 h5 13.b4 Qd8 14.b5 Na5 15.g3 Ne7 16.Bg5 Qd7 17.Nf4 Nf5 18.Re1 Nc4 19.Qd3 Be7 20.Bxe7 Nxe7 =-=(31) Sakaev 2664 Anastasian 2561, Dubai UAE 2003;
- 10...000 11.Rb1 Kb8 12.b4 Rc8 13.Bd2 h6 14.a4 g5 15.Bc3 Be7 16.Ne1 f5 17.Nd3 f4 18.Qd2 Nd8 19.b5 Qc7 20.Rfc1 Qd7 1-0(27) Short 2675 Ward 2473, Port Erin IOM 1999.
- 9...Bb4+ 10.Bd2 Nc6 11.00 Bxd2 12.Qxd2 Nge7 13.Ng3 00 14.Rac1 Rac8 15.Rc3 Na5 16.b3 Rxc3 17.Qxc3 Rc8 18.Qd2 Nac6 19.Rc1 Qb4 20.Nf1 a5 1-0(58) Kramnik 2751 Rustemov 2539, Internet ICC 1999.
- [*39*] 11.Rb1 a5 12.Nf4 Nd7 13.Be3 Be7 14.Nd2 a4 15.h4 Nxd4 16.Qg4 Bc5 17.Qxg7 000 18.b4 Ne2+ 19.Nxe2 Bxe3 20.Nf3 Rdg8 1-0(36) Svidler 2742 Gelfand 2729, Rishon Le Ziyyon 2006;
- 12.Be3 Nd7 13.h4 Be7 14.Bg5 h6 15.Bxe7 Nxe7 16.Qd2 00 17.Rbc1 Rfc8 18.h5 Qb4 19.Rc3 Rxc3 20.bxc3 Qc4 0-1(56) Grischuk 2663 Gurevich 2694, Cannes FRA 2001:
- 12.Qd2 h6 13.h4 Nd7 14.Rd1 Qa6 15.a3 a4 16.Nc3 Na5 17.Qf4 Nb3 18.Nd2 Nxc1 19.Rbxc1 Be7 20.Qg4 g5 =-=(34) Grischuk 2666 Vaganian 2650, Yerevan ARM 2001.
- [*40*] 6...Nc6 7.b4 cxd4 8.cxd4 Rc8 9.Bb2 Na5 10.Nbd2 Nc4 11.Nxc4 dxc4 12.Rc1 a5 13.Nd2 axb4 14.Nxc4 Qd8 15.a4 Bc6 16.a5 Be7 17.Nb6 Rc7 18.d5 exd5 19.Bd3 Bg5 20.Rc2 Ne7 1-0(52) Fressinet 2619 Socko 2562, Germany 2002;
- 16...Rc7 17.Qb3 Qd5 18.f3 Nh6 19.Bd3 Nf5 20.Be4 Qd8 0-1(38) Fressinet 2424 Shirov 2726, Bordeaux FRA 1999;
- 9...Nh6 10.Bd3 Na5 11.00 Nc4 12.Bxc4 Rxc4 13.Nc3 Qa6 14.Rc1 Be7 15.Nd2 Rc8 16.Nb3 b6 17.b5 Bxb5 18.Nxb5 Rxc1 19.Nd6+ Bxd6 20.Qxc1 Bb8 1-0(26) Kortschnoj 2632 Kotsur 2583, Istanbul TUR 2000;
- 9.Be3 Nh6 10.Bd3 Ng4 11.OO Nxe3 12.fxe3 g6 13.Nbd2 Bh6 14.Qe2 Ne7 15.g4 Rc3 16.Rfc1 Rxc1+ 17.Rxc1 OO 18.Nb3 Rc8 19.Nc5 Qd8 20.Rf1 Rc7 1-0(60) Najer 2602 Totsky 2517, Cappelle la Grande 2004;

- 7...cxb4 8.axb4 f6 9.Bd3 g6 10.00 fxe5 11.dxe5 Bg7 12.Be3 Qc7 13.Na3 Nxe5 14.Nb5 Bxb5 15.Bxb5+ Nc6 16.Nd4 Qd7 17.Bg5 e5 18.Re1 Nge7 19.Bxe7 Kxe7 20.Qa4 Rhc8 1-0(69) Potkin 2540 Socko 2579, playchess.com INT 2004.
- 6...cxd4 7.cxd4 Bb5 8.Bxb5+ Qxb5 9.Nc3 Qa6 10.Ne2 Ne7 11.00 Nec6 12.Nf4 Nd7 13.Nd3 Rc8 14.Be3 Be7 15.Rc1 00 16.h3 b6 17.a4 Na5 18.b3 Rxc1 19.Nxc1 Rc8 20.Bd2 Ba3 =-=(43) Svidler 2733 Volkov 2629, playchess.com INT 2004;
- 10.b4 Nd7 11.Bd2 Ne7 12.a4 Qb6 13.00 a6 14.a5 Qd8 15.b5 axb5 16.Nxb5 Nc6 17.Bg5 Qb8 18.Qc2 h6 19.a6 hxg5 20.axb7 Rxa1 =-=(35) Motylev 2680 Anastasian 2574, Dubai 2005;
- 10.Bd2 Nd7 11.Qb3 Rc8 12.Rc1 h6 13.Rc2 Nb6 14.Ne2 Rxc2 15.Qxc2 Qc4 16.Bc3 Ne7 17.00 Nc6 18.b3 Qa6 19.Ra1 Be7 20.Ne1 OO =-=(22) Oll 2625 Rustemov 2550, Vilnius 1997.
- 6...c4 7.Nbd2 Nc6 8.g3 Nge7 9.Bxc4 dxc4 10.Nxc4 Qc7 11.Nd6+ Kd8 12.Nxf7+ 1-0 Illescas Cordoba Miquel 2555 Jussupow Artur 2655, ? 1992;
- 9...Na5 10.Be2 Bb5 11.b4 Bxe2 12.Qxe2 Nc4 13.Nxc4 dxc4 14.Qxc4 Rc8 15.Qd3 Qc6 16.Bd2 Nd5 17.00 Nb6 18.Ng5 Nc4 19.Bc1 Be7 20.Ne4 Qd5 1-0(70) Illescas Cordoba 2555 Jussupow 2655, Linares 1992.
- [*41*] 7.b4 cxd4 8.Bxb5+ Qxb5 9.cxd4 Nd7 10.Nc3 Qc6 11.Na4 Nb6 12.Nxb6 axb6 13.00 Bxb4 14.Qb3 Be7 15.Be3 Bd8 16.a4 Ne7 17.Rfc1 Qd7 18.h4 00 19.h5 h6 20.Bd2 Nc6 0-1(46) Solodovnichenko 2526 Bartel 2694, playchess.com INT 2006;
- 11...a5 12.Bd2 Qa6 13.bxa5 Ne7 14.Rb1 Nc6 15.Nb6 Ra7 16.Nc8 Ra8 17.Nb6 Ra7 18.Nxd7 Kxd7 19.Qa4 Qd3 20.Rb3 Qc4 0-1(75) Heberla 2557 Bartel 2587, Opole 2007;
- 11.Bb2 Nb6 12.Nd2 Ne7 13.00 Nf5 14.Rc1 Qd7 15.Ne2 Be7 16.g4 Nh4 17.Ng3 OO 18.f4 f5 19.exf6 Rxf6 20.Qe2 Raf8 0-1(30) Alekseev 2510 Rustemov 2625, Tomsk RUS 2001;
- 9...a5 10.Nc3 Qc6 11.Bd2 axb4 12.axb4 Rxa1 13.Qxa1 Qa6 14.Qb1 b5 15.00 Ne7 16.Qd3 Nec6 17.Nxb5 Kd7 18.Ng5 Be7 19.Nxf7 Rf8 20.Nfd6 Bxd6 1-0(29) Shirov 2715 Ljubojevic 2548, Monte Carlo 2002;
- 14.Qa4+ Qxa4 15.Nxa4 b5 16.Nc3 Bxb4 17.Nxb5 Be7 18.Ke2 Nh6 19.Na7 00 20.Rb1 Re8 1-0(37) Zvjaginsev 2650 Volkov 2605, Samara RUS 1998;
- 7...cxb4 8.axb4 Nd7 9.Bd3 Bxd3 10.Qxd3 Ne7 11.00 Nc8 12.Ng5 h6 13.Nh3 Qc6 14.b5 Qc7 15.Nf4 Ncb6 16.Nd2 a5 17.bxa6 Rxa6 18.Rxa6 bxa6 19.Bb2 a5 20.Rc1 Be7 =-=(46) Shirov 2746 Feygin 2482, Germany 2001;
- 8.Bxb5+ Qxb5 9.cxb4 Ne7 10.Nc3 Qd7 11.00 Nc8 12.Ne1 Nc6 13.Qg4 h5 14.Qd1 N8e7 15.Nf3 Nf5 16.Qd3 Be7 17.Bd2 =-= Solak 2596 Halkias 2533, President Hotel, Athens 2005.
- [*42*] 7...Bxc4 8.Bxc4 dxc4 9.Nbd2 Qa6 10.Qe2 Ne7 11.Nxc4 Nf5 12.00 Nc6 13.dxc5 Bxc5 =-= Motylev 2675 Volkov 2622, Kazan 2005;
- 9.d5 Qb3 10.Qxb3 cxb3 11.dxe6 fxe6 12.Nbd2 Nc6 13.Nxb3 h6 14.Be3 b6 15.Ke2 Nge7 16.Nbd2 Ng6 17.Nc4 Be7 18.Rhd1 OO 19.Rd7 Rad8 20.Rc7 Rc8 =-=(44) Shabalov 2609 Negulescu 2510, Virginia Beach, VA USA 2001.
- [*43*] 8.d5 exd5 9.Qxd5 Ne7 10.Qe4 Qc6 11.Nc3 Qxe4+ 12.Nxe4 Ng6 13.Nc3 Bc6 14.e6 fxe6 15.Bxc4 Bxf3 16.gxf3 Nc6 17.Be3 OOO 18.Bxe6+ Kb8 19.Bd5 Nd4 20.OOO Bd6 =-=(57) Ehlvest 2627 Rustemov 2534, Tallinn EST 2001.
- [*44*] 8...Nc6 9.a4 Ba6 10.a5 Qb4 11.Bd2 cxd4 12.Nd5 exd5 13.Bxb4 Bxb4+ 14.Nd2 c3 15.Bxa6 cxd2+ 16.Kf1 bxa6 17.Qg4 Nge7 18.Qxg7 Rg8 19.Qxh7 Nxe5 20.g3 Rc8 1-0(47) Kramnik 2751 Rustemov 2539, Internet ICC 1999;
- 10...Nxa5 11.Qa4+ Nc6 12.d5 exd5 13.Nxd5 Qd8 14.Nc3 Ne7 15.Bg5 Qb6 16.Bxc4 Qxb2 17.Bxa6 Qxc3+ 18.Bd2 Qb2 19.00 Qb6 20.Bc4 h6 0-1(51) Kramnik 2751 Rustemov 2539, Internet ICC 1999.

- [*45*] 11.Qf4 Qa5+ 12.Bd2 Bb4 13.Bxc4 Bxd2+ 14.Qxd2 Qc5 15.Qc3 Nge7 16.b4 Qb6 17.00 00 18.Rad1 Rad8 19.Bd3 h6 20.h4 Rd5 1-0(49) Svidler 2686 Gelfand 2701, Moscow 2001;
- 14...Qxd2+ 15.Kxd2 Nge7 16.Ke3 a6 17.Rhd1 Ng6 18.Ke4 Ke7 19.h4 Ncxe5 20.Nxe5 f5+ =-=(51) Grischuk 2719 Vaisser 2573, playchess.com INT 2004.
- 11.Qxc4 Qxc4 12.Bxc4 Bc5 13.b4 Bb6 14.Bb2 Nge7 15.00 00 16.Rfd1 Rfd8 17.Bd3 h6 18.Be4 Nd5 19.g3 Rd7 20.Rd3 Rad8 =-=(38) Svidler 2686 Gelfand 2701, Moscow 2001.
- [*46*] 7.b3 Ne7 8.Be2 cxd4 9.cxd4 Bb5 10.Bxb5+ Qxb5 11.Nc3 Qa6 12.a4 Nec6 13.Nb5 Qb6 14.00 h6 15.Ba3 Bxa3 16.Rxa3 00 17.Ra1 Na6 18.Rc1 Nc7 19.Nc3 Rac8 20.Ne2 =-= Zvjaginsev 2658 Volkov 2587, St Petersburg RUS 1999;
- 8.dxc5 Qxc5 9.c4 Qc7 10.Nc3 Bc6 11.Bb2 Nd7 12.cxd5 Nxd5 13.Nb5 Qb6 14.Nbd4 a4 15.Bc4 axb3 16.00 Nc5 17.Nxb3 Ba4 18.Nfd2 Nxb3 19.Nxb3 Rc8 20.Bxd5 exd5 0-1(39) Delchev 2550 Volkov 2609, Batumi 2002;
- 7...Nc6 8.Be3 Rc8 9.Bd3 cxd4 10.cxd4 Na7 11.00 Bb5 12.Bxb5+ Nxb5 13.b4 axb4 14.axb4 Ne7 15.Na3 Nxa3 16.Rxa3 Nc6 17.Rb3 Be7 18.h4 Qb5 19.Qb1 Ra8 20.h5 Ra4 0-1(53) Najer 2606 Volkov 2629, St Petersburg 2004;
- 8...Nh6 9.Bd3 Nf5 10.Bxf5 exf5 11.00 cxd4 12.cxd4 h6 13.Nc3 Be6 14.Na4 Qb5 15.Ne1 Be7 16.Nd3 Rc8 17.Nac5 00 18.Rc1 Rfe8 19.Rc3 Na7 20.a4 Qb6 1-0(64) Vorobiov 2544 Volkov 2630, Moscow 2004;
- 7...Na6 8.Be3 Rc8 9.Bd3 Ne7 10.00 Nf5 11.Bxf5 exf5 12.Re1 c4 13.bxc4 Rxc4 14.e6 Bxe6 15.Ne5 Rc7 16.Qa4+ Kd8 17.c4 f6 18.c5 Qb2 19.Nd3 Qxa1 20.Qxa5 Qa2 1-0(54) Svidler 2723 Volkov 2620, Krasnoyarsk 2003;
- 9...Nh6 10.Bxh6 gxh6 11.00 Bg7 12.Ra2 cxd4 13.cxd4 Bb5 14.Rd2 00 15.Bxb5 Qxb5 16.Rd3 Rc1 17.Qxc1 Qxd3 18.Nbd2 h5 19.Rd1 Bh6 20.h4 Nb8 0-1(39) Sveshnikov 2551 Volkov 2634, Togliatti RUS 2003.
- 7.c4 cxd4 8.cxd5 exd5 9.Qxd4 Bc5 10.Qd2 Ne7 11.Nc3 a4 12.Bd3 Na6 13.00 Nc7 14.Qd1 00 15.Bc2 Qa6 16.Bg5 Bc6 17.Rc1 Ne6 18.Bxe7 Bxe7 19.Nxd5 Bc5 20.Bxh7+ Kxh7 1-0(31) Fressinet 2638 Halkias 2549, Warsaw POL 2005.
- 7.Nbd2 cxd4 8.Nxd4 Nc6 9.N2f3 Nxd4 10.cxd4 a4 11.Qd3 Ne7 12.Be2 Nc6 13.Rb1 Na5 14.00 Qa6 15.b4 axb3 16.Qxa6 bxa6 17.Bd2 Nc4 18.Rxb3 Bb5 19.Ra1 Be7 20.Bb4 f6 1-0(90) Ehlvest 2630 Vaisser 2540, Ohrid MKD 2001.
- [*47*] 7...Nc6 8.00 Nh6 9.c4 dxc4 10.d5 exd5 11.Nc3 Ne7 12.Nxd5 Nxd5 13.Qxd5 Be6 14.Qe4 Qc6 15.Qxc6+ bxc6 16.Bxh6 gxh6 17.Nd2 Rb8 18.Nxc4 Rg8 19.g3 h5 20.Nxa5 Rxb2 =-=(46) Fontaine 2527 Rozentalis 2586, Istanbul TUR 2003.
- [*48*] 9.dxc5 Bxc5 10.c4 Nge7 11.Nc3 Nd4 12.cxd5 Nxe2+ 13.Qxe2 Nxd5 14.Nxd5 exd5 15.Rd1 Bb5 16.Qe1 Bc4 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Qxe3 Qxe3 19.fxe3 00 20.Rd4 Rfe8 =- (27) Peng Xiaomin 2645 Kaidanov 2605, ? 2001;
 - =-=(25) Peng Xiaomin 2648 Kaidanov 2607, Seattle 2001.
- 9.Kh1 Nge7 10.Bd3 Na5 11.dxc5 Qxc5 12.Be3 Qc7 13.Nbd2 Ng6 14.Re1 Be7 15.Rc1 OO 16.h4 Nc4 17.Bxc4 dxc4 18.h5 Nh8 19.h6 g6 20.Nxc4 Bc6 1-0(36) Ehlvest 2600 Volkov 2642, Panormo GRE 2002.
- [*49*] 9...cxd4 10.cxd4 Nxd4 11.Nxd4 Qxd4 12.Nc3 Qb6 13.Qg4 Ne7 14.Be3 Qa5 15.Qg3 Nc6 16.Nb5 Nxe5 17.Qxe5 Bxb5 18.Bxb5+ Qxb5 19.Rac1 Qd7 20.Rc7 Qd6 0-1(53) Grischuk 2663 Gurevich 2694, Cannes 2001.
- [*50*] 11.Ra2 Ne7 12.Re1 Nc6 13.Bxa4 N6xe5 14.Bxd7+ Nxd7 15.b3 Nd6 16.c4 dxc4 17.d5 Qxb3 18.dxe6 fxe6 19.Rxe6+ Kd8 20.Rc2 Ra6 1-0(86) Grischuk 2663 Gurevich 2694, Cannes FRA 2001;
- 12...Bb5 13.Nbd2 Nxd2 14.Bxd2 Nc6 15.Be3 Bc4 16.Ra1 Qxb2 17.Rb1 Qxc3 18.Rxb7 Ba6 19.Rc7 Rc8 20.Rxc6 Rxc6 1-0(63) Grischuk 2663 Gurevich 2694, Cannes FRA 2001.

- 11.Ng5 Be7 12.Nxh7 g6 13.Ng5 Nh6 14.Ra2 Nf5 15.Nf3 cxd4 16.cxd4 Nh4 17.Ne1 Nf5 18.Nf3 Nh4 19.Ne1 Nf5 20.Bxf5 gxf5 =-=(41) Shirov 2697 Volkov 2636, Halkidiki 2002;
- 11...cxd4 12.cxd4 Nxb2 13.Qf3 Nh6 14.Nc3 Nc4 15.Rd1 Qc6 16.Nxh7 Be7 17.Bxh6 gxh6 18.Nf6+ Kd8 19.Bd3 Rc8 20.Nxd7 Qxd7 0-1(53) Sveshnikov 2565 Volkov 2567, Dubai UAE 2002.
- [*51*] 5.Be3 Qb6 6.Qd2 Bd7 7.Nf3 Rc8 8.dxc5 Bxc5 9.Bxc5 Qxc5 10.Qg5 Nge7 11.Nbd2 00 12.Bd3 Qb6 13.Bxh7+ Kxh7 14.Qh5+ Kg8 15.Ng5 Rfe8 16.Qxf7+ Kh8 17.Qh5+ Kg8 18.Ndf3 Qb5 19.000 Qc4 20.g3 Qxa2 =-=(23) Kupreichik 2555 Dolmatov 2610, Cetinje 1992;
- 5...Nge7 6.Nf3 Nf5 7.Bd3 cxd4 8.cxd4 Nxe3 9.fxe3 Nb4 10.Nc3 Nxd3+ 11.Qxd3 Be7 12.h4 Bd7 13.000 Rb8 14.e4 dxe4 =-= Boensch 2535 Chernin 2630, Tilburg NED 1994;
- 5...h5 6.Bd3 Qb6 7.Qd2 cxd4 8.cxd4 Bd7 9.Ne2 Nb4 10.Nbc3 Nxd3+ 11.Qxd3 Bb4 12.00 Ne7 13.Nf4 Rc8 14.Rfc1 Bxc3 15.bxc3 Bb5 16.Qd1 h4 17.Rab1 Qc6 18.Rb4 Nf5 19.a4 Bc4 20.a5 Qa6 =-=(73) Xie Jun 2510 Korchnoi 2625, Roquebrune FRA 1998.
- 5.Ne2 Nh6 6.g3 Nf5 7.Bh3 cxd4 8.cxd4 Qb6 9.Bxf5 exf5 10.Nbc3 Be6 11.Rb1 Be7 12.h4 h6 13.Be3 Qa6 14.h5 000 15.00 Kb8 16.Nf4 Bg5 17.Nd3 b6 18.a4 f4 19.Nxf4 Bxf4 20.Bxf4 g5 1-0(31) Grischuk 2715 Gelfand 2736, Moscow 2007.
- [*52*] 6.Bxh6 gxh6 7.Be2 f6 8.00 cxd4 9.cxd4 a6 10.Nbd2 Bg7 11.exf6 Qxf6 12.Nb3 00 13.Rc1 Kh8 14.Rc3 a5 15.a4 e5 16.dxe5 Nxe5 17.Nxe5 Qxe5 18.Bf3 Qf4 19.Rc5 Be5 20.Re1 Qxh2+ =-=(32) Yudasin 2625 Glek 2590, Tilburg NED 1994;
- 9...Bg7 10.exf6 Bxf6 11.Nc3 00 12.Bb5 Ne7 13.Re1 Bg7 14.Rc1 a6 15.Bd3 Nc6 16.Bb1 Qf6 17.Qd3 Qg6 18.Qe3 Qh5 19.Ne2 e5 20.dxe5 Nxe5 1-0(108) Yudasin 2625 Glek 2590, Tilburg NED 1994;
- 7...Bg7 8.00 00 9.dxc5 Nxe5 10.Nxe5 Bxe5 11.Na3 Qc7 12.b4 Bd7 13.Nb5 Bxb5 14.Bxb5 Bxh2+ 15.Kh1 Be5 16.Qd3 Kh8 17.Rae1 Rg8 18.Qe3 Bf6 19.Qf3 Qe7 20.Re3 Rg5 =-=(46) Kotronias 2614 Glek 2543, Germany 2008;
- 9.Na3 cxd4 10.cxd4 f6 11.exf6 Qxf6 12.Nc2 a6 13.Qd2 Bd7 14.Rad1 Be8 15.Nb4 Nxb4 16.Qxb4 Bh5 17.Qxb7 Rab8 18.Qxa6 Rxb2 19.Rb1 Rxb1 20.Rxb1 Bxf3 =- (60) Yudasin 2560 Glek 2560, ? 1994;
- 7...Qb6 8.Qd2 Bg7 9.00 Bd7 10.Na3 cxd4 11.cxd4 00 12.Nc2 f6 13.exf6 Rxf6 14.b4 a6 15.a4 Rff8 16.Ra3 Be8 17.Re3 Ne7 18.a5 Qd6 19.Bd3 Ng6 20.Rfe1 Nf4 =- =(42) Areshchenko 2638 Volkov 2648, Kemer 2007.
- 6.dxc5 Bxc5 7.b4 Bb6 8.b5 Ne7 9.Bd3 Ng4 10.00 Ng6 11.Bxg6 fxg6 12.h3 Nh6 13.Bxh6 gxh6 14.Nbd2 00 15.c4 a6 16.Qe2 axb5 17.cxd5 exd5 18.Qxb5 Ra5 19.Qb4 Bc5 20.Qc3 Ba7 0-1(55) Grischuk 2663 Bareev 2709, Cannes FRA 2001;
- 7.Bxh6 gxh6 8.Bd3 f6 9.exf6 Qxf6 10.00 00 11.Bc2 Rf7 12.Nbd2 Bd7 13.Nb3 Bb6 14.Qe2 e5 15.Rad1 e4 16.Ne1 Raf8 17.Rxd5 Qxf2+ 18.Rxf2 Rxf2 19.Qxf2 Bxf2+ 20.Kf1 Bb6+ 0-1(27) Short 2665 Glek 2635, Cap d'Agde FRA 1996;
- 6...Ng4 7.Qa4 h5 8.h3 Nh6 9.Be3 Nf5 10.Bd4 Bd7 11.Bb5 g5 12.Nbd2 Rh6 13.000 g4 14.Ne1 a6 15.Bxc6 Bxc6 16.Qc2 Qc7 17.Nd3 Bb5 18.Nf4 000 19.g3 Kb8 20.Nb3 Be7 1-0(44) Sveshnikov Evgeny 2540 Bareev 2680, ? 1991.
- 6.a3 Nf5 7.b4 cxd4 8.cxd4 Bd7 9.Bb2 Qb6 10.g4 Nh6 11.h3 Rc8 12.Nc3 Na5 13.Na4 Qc6 14.Rc1 Nc4 15.Rxc4 dxc4 16.Nc3 Qb6 17.Bg2 a5 18.b5 Bxb5 19.d5 Bc5 20.00 Rd8 1-0(72) Shirov 2722 Sadvakasov 2585, Astana KAZ 2001.
- 6.Be2 Nf5 7.g4 Nh4 8.Nxh4 Qxh4 9.Be3 Bd7 10.00 Qd8 11.Nd2 Qb6 12.Rb1 cxd4 13.cxd4 a5 14.Kh1 a4 15.f4 h5 16.gxh5 Ne7 17.Bf2 Bb5 18.b3 Bxe2 19.Qxe2 a3 20.b4 Nf5 =-=(22) Sax 2520 Glek 2590, Germany 1994.
- [*53*] 7.Bxh6 gxh6 8.cxd4 Bd7 9.Nc3 Qb6 10.Bb5 Rg8 11.00 Nxe5 12.Nxe5 Bxb5
 13.Qh5 Rg7 14.Rfe1 Rd8 15.Nxb5 Qxb5 16.Nxf7 Rxf7 17.Rxe6+ Be7 18.Rxe7+ Kxe7
 19.Re1+ Kf8 20.Qxh6+ Kg8 1-0(22) Grischuk 2669 Bareev 2719, ? 2001;
 1-0 Grischuk 2669 Bareev 2719, Panormo 2001.

- [*54*] 10.h4 h6 11.h5 Be7 12.Ne2 Qa5+ 13.Kf1 Rc8 14.Kg1 Kd7 15.Nf4 Rc7 16.Rh3 Rhc8 17.Rg3 Bf8 18.Bd2 Qa6 19.Bc3 Ke8 20.Ne1 Qb6 =-=(24) Khalifman 2667 Akopian 2660, Dortmund GER 2000.
- 10.00 Be7 11.Ne2 00 12.Ng3 Qb6 13.Nh5 Rfc8 14.a3 Bf8 15.Bg5 h6 16.Be3 Qxb2 17.Rb1 Qxa3 18.Bxh6 gxh6 19.Rb3 Qa4 20.Nh4 Qxd4 0-1(26) Motylev 2640 Sadvakasov 2520, ? 2003.
- [*55*] 11.h4 g6 12.Bd2 Qb6 13.Rb1 a5 14.Kf1 Be7 15.Kg1 Kd7 16.a3 Qa6 17.Be3 a4 18.Nf4 g5 19.hxg5 hxg5 20.Rxh8 Rxh8 =-=(30) Adams 2680 Vaganian 2640, Lucerne SUI 1997;
 - =-= Delchev 2591 Sulava 2552, St Affrique 2002;
- 11...Qa5+ 12.Kf1 Be7 13.Kg1 Rc8 14.Nf4 g6 15.a3 Qb6 16.b4 a5 17.Rb1 axb4 18.axb4 Na7 19.b5 Rc4 20.Rh3 Rb4 1-0(41) Adams 2660 Lputian 2615, Pula CRO 1997.
- 10...Qb6 11.Nf4 h6 12.h4 g6 13.Kf1 Be7 14.g3 000 15.Kg2 Kb8 16.Rb1 Bc8 17.e6 Bxe6 18.Nxe6 fxe6 19.Re1 e5 20.Nxe5 Nxe5 =-=(22) Sax 2570 Gurevich 2610, Germany 1993;
 - =-=(26) Sax 2570 Gurevich 2610, ? 1993.
- 10...Be7 11.Nf4 Qa5+ 12.Bd2 Qa6 13.Qe2 Qxe2+ 14.Kxe2 Kd7 15.h4 Rac8 16.Rac1 g6 17.Kd3 h6 18.a3 Rcg8 19.b4 a6 20.Rb1 Na7 0-1(44) Kramnik 2758 Vallejo Pons 2528, Internet ICC 2000.
- [*56*] 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Nf5 8.Bxf5 exf5 9.Nc3 Be6 10.h4 h6 11.Kf1 Qd7 12.Bd2 Be7 13.Ne2 OOO 14.Kg1 Kb8 15.Nf4 g5 16.hxg5 hxg5 17.Rxh8 Rxh8 18.Nxe6 fxe6 19.Bxg5 Bxg5 20.Nxg5 Qg7 =-=(52) Christiansen 2550 Andersson 2640, Groningen 1997:
- 10...Be7 11.h5 Rc8 12.Ne2 Kd7 13.a3 Kc7 14.b4 Kb8 15.Bd2 g5 16.hxg6 hxg6 17.Rxh8 Qxh8 18.Kf1 Qh1+ 19.Neg1 g5 20.Bxg5 Rg8 =-=(56) Kupreichik 2510 Vaganian 2625, ? 1988;
- 10.a3 Be7 11.h4 h6 12.b4 Qd7 13.Qc2 Rc8 14.Qd3 Kd8 15.Bd2 Kc7 16.Ne2 b6 17.b5 Na5 18.Bxa5 bxa5 19.b6+ axb6 20.Qa6 Kb8 1-0(40) Nikolic 2655 Andersson 2655, Monaco MNC 1997;
- 12.Bf4 Na5 13.Kf1 Qd7 14.Nd2 Rc8 15.Rh3 g6 16.Qe2 Kf8 17.Kg1 a6 18.Nf3 Nc4 19.Nd1 b5 20.Ne1 Qa7 0-1(38) Benjamin 2545 Vaganian 2600, Wijk aan Zee NED 1989;
- 10.Ne2 h6 11.h4 Be7 12.Nf4 Qb6 13.Kf1 Kd7 14.h5 Rac8 15.Rh3 Nb4 16.Ne1 Rc4 17.Ne2 Rhc8 18.Bd2 Ke8 19.Rb3 Qc7 20.Rg3 Kf8 1-0(50) Torre 2555 Lputian 2585, Shenzhen 1992;
- 9.a3 Be6 10.Nc3 Rc8 11.Ne2 h6 12.h4 g6 13.b4 Be7 14.Be3 Qb6 15.Rb1 Kd7 16.00 Qd8 17.Qd2 Qf8 18.b5 Nd8 19.Rfc1 Rxc1+ 20.Rxc1 g5 1-0(33) Ehlvest 2627 Borovikov 2593, Kramatorsk UKR 2001;
- 9.00 h6 10.Nc3 Be6 11.Ne1 Rc8 12.Be3 g5 13.f4 g4 14.Nd3 Qd7 15.Rc1 b6 16.Bf2 Be7 17.Qe1 00 18.Ne2 Qd8 19.Ng3 Kh8 20.Nh5 Nb8 1-0(21) Fedorchuk 2671 Kosic 2500, Plovdiv 2008;
- 8.Bc2 Qb6 9.Bxf5 exf5 10.Nc3 Be6 11.00 h6 12.Na4 Qb5 13.Ne1 Be7 14.Be3 Rc8 15.Nd3 b6 16.Nc3 Qc4 17.Rc1 g5 18.f4 g4 19.a4 Nb4 20.Nf2 Qa6 1-0(34) Timman 2655 Andersson 2625, ? 2000.
- 6.a3 Nf5 7.b4 cxd4 8.cxd4 Bd7 9.Bb2 Qb6 10.g4 Nh6 11.Rg1 f6 12.exf6 gxf6 13.Nc3 Nf7 14.Rc1 Bh6 15.Rc2 Ne7 16.h4 Bf4 17.Bd3 h6 18.Re2 Qc7 19.Qb3 Nd6 20.Rc2 Qb8 =-=(23) Lautier 2663 Bauer 2550, Val d'Isere 2002;
- $6... Bd7 \ 7.b4 \ cxd4 \ 8.cxd4 \ Nf5 \ 9.Bb2 \ a5 \ 10.b5 \ Na7 \ 11.a4 \ Bb4+ \ 12.Nbd2 \ Nh4 \\ 13.Nxh4 \ Qxh4 \ 14.Be2 \ Qg5 \ 15.g3 \ Rc8 \ 16.Bd3 \ OO \ 17.f4 \ Qh6 \ 18.OO \ f6 \ 19.b6 \ Nc6 \ 20.Nb3 \ Ne7 \ 1-0(30) \ Baklan \ 2585 \ \ Glek \ 2580, \ Bad \ Zwesten \ GER \ 1999.$

- [*57*] 6...Nf5 7.Nc2 cxd4 8.cxd4 Nb4 9.Be2 Nxc2+ 10.Qxc2 Qa5+ 11.Bd2 Bb4 12.a3 Bxd2+ 13.Qxd2 Qxd2+ 14.Kxd2 Bd7 15.b4 Rc8 16.Rac1 00 17.b5 h6 18.a4 b6 19.g4 Ne7 20.h4 Rxc1 1-0(43) Fressinet 2624 Glek 2566, Bastia FRA 2005.
- [*58*] 8...Nh4 9.Nxh4 Qxh4 10.Be2 Bd7 11.00 f5 12.b4 Qd8 13.Qd2 Be7 14.a4 a6 15.Bb2 00 16.Bc3 Qe8 17.b5 axb5 18.axb5 Rxa1 19.Rxa1 Nd8 20.Bb4 Bxb4 =-=(36) Grischuk 2702 Short 2682, Moscow 2002;
- 13.b5 Na5 14.Ne3 Be7 15.Bd2 OO 16.Qe1 b6 17.f4 Rc8 18.Rb1 Kh8 19.Kh1 Rg8 20.Bd3 g5 1-0(64) Motylev 2634 Potkin 2522, Togliatti 2003;
- 10...f5 11.00 Bd7 12.b4 a6 13.Rb1 Qd8 14.Rb3 Be7 15.Bh5+ g6 16.Bh6 Na7 17.Be2 Rc8 18.Qd2 Ba4 19.Rb2 Qc7 20.Ne1 Qc3 0-1(50) Ramirez Alvarez 2542 Luther 2577, Havana 2004.
- 8...Nb4 9.Be2 Nxc2+ 10.Qxc2 Qa5+ 11.Bd2 Bb4 12.a3 Bxd2+ 13.Qxd2 Qxd2+ 14.Kxd2 Bd7 15.Rac1 Ne7 16.h4 Nc6 17.h5 h6 18.Rh4 OO 19.b4 Rac8 20.Bd3 Ne7 =- (39) Svidler 2690 Luther 2538, Germany 2003;
- 15.b4 00 16.b5 f6 17.Rhc1 Rfc8 18.Bd3 Ne7 19.a4 Rxc1 20.Rxc1 Rc8 1-0(50) Grischuk 2712 Pert 2468, France 2003.
- 8...Bd7 9.Be2 Be7 10.OO h5 11.Ne3 g5 12.Nxf5 exf5 13.Ne1 Qb6 14.Nc2 f4 15.Qd3 Nd8 16.h4 Ne6 17.hxg5 OOO 18.a4 Rdg8 19.a5 Qd8 20.a6 b6 1-0(28) Shirov 2690 Andersson 2655, Monaco MNC 1997;
- 9...Qb6 10.h4 Nb4 11.Nxb4 Bxb4+ 12.Kf1 Bb5 13.g4 Bxe2+ 14.Kxe2 Qa6+ 15.Qd3 Qxd3+ 16.Kxd3 Ne7 17.h5 h6 18.a3 Ba5 19.Nh4 Kd7 20.f4 Rac8 1-0(48) Movsesian 2654 Borovikov 2570, Panormo GRE 2002.
- 8...Qa5+ 9.Bd2 Qb6 10.Bc3 Be7 11.Bd3 a5 12.a3 Bd7 13.00 00 14.g4 Nh4 15.Nxh4 Bxh4 16.f4 f6 17.g5 fxg5 18.Qh5 h6 19.fxg5 Bxg5 20.Qg6 Rf5 1-0(61) Hodgson 2615 Lalic 2590, Isle of Man IOM 1995.
- [*59*] 9.Be2 Bb4+ 10.Kf1 Be7 11.g3 Bd7 12.Bd2 00 13.h4 f6 14.g4 Nfxd4 15.Ncxd4 fxe5 16.Nxc6 bxc6 17.Bc3 Bd6 18.Rh3 Rab8 19.Bd3 Qc7 20.Ng5 h6 1-0(66) Nakamura 2620 Ibragimov 2585, San Diego 2004.
- [*60*] 9...Bd7 10.00 Nb4 =-= Karjakin 2565 Borovikov Vladislav 2575, ? 2003.
- [*61*] 11.g3 Bd7 12.Kg2 Rc8 13.Bxf5 exf5 14.b3 OO 15.Bg5 Bxg5 16.Nxg5 f4 17.gxf4 Ne7 18.Ne3 Qg6 19.h4 h5 20.Rg1 f6 =-=(40) Short 2575 Vaganian 2625, Montpellier 1985.
- [*62*] 6.Be2 cxd4 7.cxd4 Nh6 8.Nc3 Nf5 9.Na4 Qa5+ 10.Kf1 b5 =-= Movsesian 2666 Ehlvest 2627, New Delhi IND 2000;
 - 10.Nc3 Qb6 11.Na4 Qa5+ =-= Ehlvest 2630 Timman 2590, Horgen SUI 1995; 9...Bb4+ 10.Bd2 Qa5 11.Bc3 Bxc3+ 12.Nxc3 Qb6 13.Bb5 Bd7 14.Bxc6 Bxc6
- 15.Qd2 OO 16.OO a5 17.Rfe1 Rfc8 18.g4 Ne7 19.Nh4 Bd7 20.f4 Rc4 0-1(58) Illescas Cordoba Miguel 2585 Short 2697, ? 1999;
- 8.Bd3 Nf5 9.Bxf5 exf5 10.00 Be7 11.Nc3 Be6 12.Ne2 h6 13.h4 Kd7 14.Be3 Qxb2 15.Rb1 Qxa2 16.Rxb7+ Kc8 17.Nc3 Qa6 18.Rxe7 Nxe7 19.Na4 Nc6 20.Nc5 Qb5 1-0(48) Harikrishna 2668 Meier 2546, ? 2007;
- 8.b3 Nf5 9.Bb2 Be7 10.00 Bd7 11.g4 Nh4 12.Nxh4 Bxh4 13.Na3 00 14.f4 f6 15.Kg2 fxe5 16.dxe5 Rf7 17.Qd2 Raf8 18.Nc2 g5 19.fxg5 Rf2+ 20.Kh3 R8f3+ 0-1(22) Kupreichik 2555 Hertneck 2560, Debrecen HUN 1992;
- 7...Nge7 8.Na3 Nf5 9.Nc2 Bb4+ 10.Kf1 Be7 11.h4 h5 12.b4 Bd7 13.a3 Rc8 14.g3 Nd8 15.Ne3 Bb5 16.Bxb5+ Qxb5+ 17.Kg2 Rc3 18.Re1 Nxe3+ 19.Rxe3 Rc4 20.Rd3 Nc6 =-=(43) Benjamin 2620 Bareev 2685, Munich 1994;
 - =-=(43) Benjamin 2620 Bareev 2685, ? 1994;
- 6...Nh6 7.Bxh6 gxh6 8.Qd2 Bg7 9.00 00 10.Na3 Bd7 11.Nc2 cxd4 12.cxd4 f6 13.exf6 Rxf6 14.b4 a6 15.a4 Rxf3 16.a5 Qa7 17.Bxf3 Nxd4 18.Ra3 Rc8 19.Nxd4 Qxd4 20.Rd3 Qf6 1-0(36) Adams 2732 Levitt 2431, London/Crowthorne ENG 2006;

- 12...a5 13.Bd3 f6 14.exf6 Rxf6 15.Ne5 Nxe5 16.dxe5 Rf7 17.Rae1 Qxb2 18.Qe3 Rc8 19.Nd4 Rc3 20.f4 Bf8 1-0(32) Sandipan 2593 Braun 2541, Germany 2007;
- 10...cxd4 11.cxd4 f6 12.exf6 Rxf6 13.Nc2 a5 14.a3 a4 15.Rad1 Bd7 16.Nb4 Rf5 17.Nxc6 bxc6 18.Ne5 Bxe5 19.dxe5 Raf8 20.Bd3 Rxe5 1-0(53) Timman 2562 Vaganian 2594, Antwerp BEL 2008;
- 7.Bd3 Bd7 8.Bc2 Rc8 9.00 cxd4 10.cxd4 Nb4 11.Ba4 Bxa4 12.Qxa4+ Qc6 13.Qxc6+ Rxc6 14.Nc3 Nf5 15.Rd1 Nc2 16.Rb1 Rc4 17.Ne2 h5 18.b3 Rc6 19.Bb2 Be7 20.Rbc1 g5 0-1(60) Benjamin 2576 Nakamura 2647, New York 2007;
- 6...Nge7 7.dxc5 Qxc5 8.Bf4 Ng6 9.Bg3 Qb6 10.b4 Bd7 11.Bd3 a5 12.b5 Nce7 13.Nbd2 Nf5 14.Qe2 a4 15.c4 Nxg3 16.hxg3 Be7 17.00 00 18.Rfc1 Rac8 19.Nf1 dxc4 20.Rxc4 Rxc4 =-=(61) Benjamin 2610 Korchnoi 2615, Horgen 1994;

=-=(61) Benjamin 2620 - Korchnoi 2615, ? 1994;

- 7.Na3 cxd4 8.cxd4 Nf5 9.Nc2 Be7 10.00 Bd7 11.Rb1 a5 12.g4 Nh4 13.Nxh4 Bxh4 14.Be3 Be7 15.f4 Nb4 16.a3 Nxc2 17.Qxc2 Rc8 18.Qd3 00 19.Kh1 Qc6 20.f5 f6 1-0(50) Adams 2640 Korchnoi 2615, Garmisch 1994;
- 7...Nf5 8.Nc2 Be7 9.Kf1 h5 10.h4 Bd7 11.g3 Rc8 12.Kg2 Na5 13.Rb1 Nc4 14.b4 Qa5 15.b5 Bxb5 16.Bd3 Ba4 17.Bg5 Bxg5 18.Qe2 Bf6 19.Rxb7 Bxc2 20.Ng5 Kf8 0-1 Movsesian 2635 Socko 2610, Warsaw POL 2005;
- 6...Bd7 7.00 Rc8 8.dxc5 Bxc5 9.b4 Bf8 10.Bd3 Nge7 11.Bf4 Ng6 12.Bg3 Be7 13.h4 f6 14.exf6 Bxf6 15.b5 Na5 16.h5 Ne7 17.a4 00 18.Ra2 Be8 19.Ne5 a6 20.Qg4 axb5 0-1(44) Castro Rojas 2430 Kortschnoj 2695, Linares 1979.
- 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bd7 8.00 Nxd4 9.Nxd4 Qxd4 10.Nc3 a6 11.Re1 Qa7 12.Bc2 Bc5 13.Re2 b5 14.a3 Rc8 15.Qd3 Ne7 16.Qg3 00 17.Bg5 Rfe8 18.Rd1 Nc6 19.Bf6 g6 20.Qh4 Bf8 1-0(27) Mudrochova 2560 Sedlakova 2560, ? 1991;
- 9.Nbd2 Bc5 10.Nxd4 Bxd4 11.Nf3 Bc5 12.Ng5 Nh6 13.Nxh7 Nf5 14.Bxf5 exf5 15.Qh5 000 16.Bg5 Rde8 17.Rac1 Kb8 18.Rxc5 Qxc5 19.Qxf7 Qc7 20.Rc1 Bc6 0-1(26) GM Kjetil A. Lie 2536 GM Emanuel Berg 2580, ? 0;
- 7.00 Bd7 8.Rel Nge7 9.h4 Rc8 10.a3 a6 11.Bc2 dxc3 12.Nxc3 Na5 13.Rbl Qc7 14.Bf4 Nc4 15.Bd3 b5 16.a4 bxa4 17.Nxa4 Ng6 18.Bg3 Bb4 19.Re2 Ne7 20.Ral Qa7 1-0(76) Hector 2550 Vaganian 2600, Germany 2007.
- 6.Na3 cxd4 7.cxd4 f6 8.Nc2 fxe5 9.Nxe5 Nxe5 10.dxe5 Bc5 11.Qh5+ g6 12.Qh4 Qc7 13.Qg3 Ne7 14.Bd3 Nc6 15.f4 Bd7 16.Bd2 Qb6 17.000 000 18.h4 Kb8 19.h5 gxh5 20.Rxh5 Nd4 =-= Zvjaginsev 2646 Meier 2558, Kallithea 2008.
- [*63*] 6...a5 7.Bd3 Bd7 8.00 cxd4 9.cxd4 Nxd4 10.Nxd4 Qxd4 11.Nc3 Qb6 12.Qg4 g6 13.Be3 Bc5 14.Na4 Bxa4 15.Qxa4+ Kf8 16.Bxc5+ Qxc5 17.Rac1 Qb6 18.Qd7 Rd8 19.Qc7 Qxc7 20.Rxc7 Rb8 =-=(34) Shirov 2746 Anand 2762, Tehran IRI 2000;
- 8...Nh6 9.Bc2 Rc8 10.b3 cxd4 11.cxd4 Be7 12.Kh1 f6 13.Bxh6 gxh6 14.Qd2 fxe5 15.dxe5 Nd8 16.Nc3 Qc7 17.Rfc1 Nf7 18.Nxd5 exd5 19.Bf5 Bc6 20.Bxc8 Qxc8 == (30) Sax 2539 Berkes 2597, Szekesfehervar HUN 2006;
- 8.Bc2 h5 9.00 Nh6 10.b3 Be7 11.Ra2 cxd4 12.cxd4 Rc8 13.Bxh6 Rxh6 14.Qd2 Rh8 15.h4 Kf8 16.Qf4 Kg8 17.Nbd2 g6 18.Rd1 Kg7 19.Nf1 Na7 20.Ng5 Be8 1-0(40) Spassky 2549 Korchnoi 2673, St Petersburg RUS 1999;
- 10.Ra2 Be7 11.Be3 Nf5 12.Bxf5 exf5 13.dxc5 Bxc5 14.Bxc5 Qxc5 15.a4 Be6 16.Nd4 Nxe5 17.Nd2 Ng4 18.Re1 Qd6 19.N2f3 OO 20.h3 Nf6 0-1(40) Spassky 2549 Korchnoi 2673, St Petersburg RUS 1999;
- 7.a4 Bd7 8.Bb5 cxd4 9.cxd4 Nge7 10.Be3 h6 11.00 Nb4 12.Nc3 Nf5 13.g4 Nxe3 14.fxe3 Bxb5 15.Nxb5 Be7 16.Rc1 00 17.Qd2 Rac8 18.Rc3 Na2 19.Rxc8 Rxc8 20.Ral Nb4 0-1(85) Nakamura 2651 Nepomniachtchi 2587, playchess.com INT 2007.
- 6...Nge7 7.dxc5 Qc7 8.Bf4 Ng6 9.Bg3 Bxc5 10.b4 Be7 11.Qe2 Qb6 12.Qc2 Qc7 13.Qe2 Qb6 14.Qc2 f6 15.exf6 Bxf6 16.Bd3 Nce7 17.00 00 18.Re1 Nf5 19.Ra2 Bd7 20.c4 dxc4 =-=(45) Hertneck 2560 Psakhis 2570, Baden-Baden GER 1992;
- 7.b4 cxd4 8.cxd4 Nf5 9.Be3 f6 10.b5 Nxe5 11.dxe5 Nxe3 12.fxe3 Qxe3+ 13.Qe2 Qc1+ 14.Qd1 =-= Romanishin 2570 Lputian 2555, Yerevan 1988.

- [*64*] 7.Be2 Nh6 8.b4 cxd4 9.b5 Ne7 10.a4 dxc3 11.Nxc3 Ng6 12.00 Ng4 13.a5 Qc7 14.Bb2 N4xe5 15.b6 Nxf3+ 16.Bxf3 axb6 17.Nxd5 exd5 18.axb6 Qd8 19.Rxa8 Qxa8 20.Bxd5 Be7 =-=(24) Shabalov 2565 Dolmatov 2600, ? 2000;
 - =-=(23) Shabalov 2566 Dolmatov 2600, Linares ESP 2000.
- [*65*] 9.Bb2 Na5 10.Nbd2 Nc4 11.Bxc4 dxc4 12.Rc1 c3 13.Bxc3 Ne7 14.00 Nd5 15.Ne4 Be7 16.Bd2 00 17.Nc5 Bc6 18.Bg5 Qd8 19.Qd2 Nc7 20.Qe3 b6 =-=(21) Sax 2580 Nogueiras 2560, Lucerne SUI 1989;
- 9...Nh6 10.Nc3 Na5 11.Na4 Qc6 12.Rc1 Nc4 13.Bxc4 dxc4 14.Nc3 Nf5 15.00 Be7 16.d5 exd5 17.Nxd5 =-= Khairullin 2554 Dyachkov 2566, Dagomys 2008.
- [*66*] 9...Nh6 10.Bd3 Ng4 11.00 Be7 12.Nbd2 Nxe3 13.fxe3 00 14.Nb3 Nb8 15.Qe2 Rc7 16.h4 h6 17.Nc5 a6 18.Ng5 Be8 19.Nh7 Qc6 20.Rac1 b6 1-0(33) Torre 2535 Chernin 2610, New York, NY USA 1991.
- [*67*] 11.00 Be7 12.Nbd2 a6 13.Nb3 Nxe3 =-= Peng Xiaomin 2570 Dolmatov 2585, ? 1999;
- 12...00 13.Nb3 Nxe3 14.fxe3 Qd8 15.Nc5 b6 16.Nxd7 Qxd7 17.Bb5 Qb7 18.Rc1 =-= Kindermann 2522 Huebner 2616, Gelsenkirchen GER 2001.
- [*68*] 7.Be2 Bd7 8.Nbd2 Na5 9.Rb1 Ne7 10.00 Qc7 11.Re1 Nc8 12.Nf1 Nb6 13.Bf4 Nb3 14.N3d2 Na5 15.Ng3 Ba4 16.Qc1 000 17.Nh5 Kb8 18.Nf3 Bb3 19.Nd2 Ba4 20.Nf3 Bb3 =-=(21) Ni Hua 2533 Bareev 2721, Beijing CHN 2003.
- 7.g3 Bd7 8.Nbd2 Na5 9.h4 000 10.h5 Nh6 11.Bh3 f6 12.Qe2 Nf7 13.00 f5 14.Nh2 g6 15.f4 Be7 16.g4 g5 17.Bg2 gxf4 18.gxf5 exf5 19.Bxd5 Rhg8+ 20.Kh1 Be6 0-1(33) Maslak 2539 Asrian 2634, Moscow 2007.
- 7.h4 Bd7 8.h5 f6 9.Qe2 Na5 10.Bf4 Nb3 11.Ra2 000 12.g4 Nh6 13.Bh3 Nf7 14.00 g5 15.Be3 Be7 16.exf6 Bxf6 17.Ne5 Rhf8 18.Nxd7 Rxd7 19.Nd2 Nxd2 20.Qxd2 Qd6 1-0(54) Djuric 2540 Vaganian 2585, Bled SLO 1991.
- [*69*] 7...f6 8.Be2 fxe5 9.Nxe5 Nxe5 10.dxe5 Bc5 11.00 Ne7 12.b4 cxb3 13.Nxb3 00 14.Nxc5 Qxc5 15.Qd3 Qc7 16.Bg5 Rf7 17.f4 Bd7 18.Bh5 Qc5+ 19.Kh1 Rff8 20.Rab1 b6 =-=(61) Grischuk 2669 Pelletier 2531, Biel SUI 2001;
- 15...Rf7 16.Rb1 b6 17.Qh3 Qc7 18.Bd3 g6 19.Re1 Qxc3 20.Bb2 Qc6 =-=(43) Conquest 2596 Pelletier 2549, France 2002;
- 12.Bh5+ g6 13.Bg4 h5 14.Be2 Bd7 15.Rb1 00 16.Nxc4 dxc4 17.Qxd7 Rad8 18.Qa4 Rxf2 19.Rxf2 Bxf2+ 20.Kh1 Qc6 =-=(56) Vallejo Pons 2648 Pelletier 2571, Biel 2002;
- 13...00 14.Nf3 Bd7 15.Bh6 Rf7 16.Qd2 Nf5 17.Bg5 Bf8 18.Bxf5 gxf5 19.Rae1 Bg7 20.Re2 Qc5 1-0(45) Scheuermann 2544 Holmberg 2568, ICCF Email 2003.
- 7...Bd7 8.b3 cxb3 9.Nxb3 Na5 10.Nxa5 Qxa5 11.Bd2 Qa4 12.Qb1 Bc6 13.Bd3 Ne7 14.00 h6 15.Rc1 Nc8 16.c4 dxc4 17.Rxc4 Qb5 18.Qxb5 Bxb5 19.Rxc8+ Rxc8 20.Bxb5+ Kd8 1-0(28) Sveshnikov 2560 Timman 2620, Tilburg NED 1992;
- 11...Ne7 12.Bd3 Qc7 13.00 h6 14.Nh4 g6 15.g3 Nc8 16.Bxg6 Bb5 17.Qg4 fxg6 18.Nxg6 Bxf1 19.Qxe6+ Ne7 20.Nxh8 Bd3 1-0(37) Motylev 2634 Hort 2546, Hoogeveen 2003;
- 8.Be2 Na5 9.Rb1 Ne7 10.00 h6 11.Re1 000 12.Qc2 Kb8 13.Nf1 Qb3 14.Bd1 Qxc2 15.Bxc2 Nc8 16.a4 Nb6 17.Ra1 Rc8 18.N3d2 Be7 19.f4 g6 20.Ne3 h5 =-=(64) Nakamura 2657 Timman 2607, Malmo/Copenhagen 2005.
- [*70*] 8.Be2 Bd7 9.00 Ne7 10.Re1 h6 11.Rb1 Qc7 12.Bf1 Nc8 13.Re3 Nb6 14.Ne1 000 15.f4 g6 16.Rh3 Be7 17.Ndf3 Ba4 18.Qe2 h5 19.Be3 Bb3 20.Bf2 Na4 1-0(74) Kharlov 2638 Iljushin 2523, Tula RUS 2002;
- 10...Qc7 11.Rb1 Nc8 12.Nf1 Nb6 13.Bf4 h6 14.Qd2 Be7 15.h4 000 16.Bg3 Rdg8 17.h5 Qd8 18.N3h2 Kb8 19.Bg4 Ka8 20.Ne3 Qf8 0-1(69) Degraeve 2586 Arencibia 2534, Ontario CAN 2002;

- 10.Rb1 Qc7 11.Re1 Nc8 12.Nf1 Nb6 13.Bf4 Nb3 14.h4 000 15.h5 Na5 16.N3d2 Kb8 17.Bh2 Ka8 18.f4 g6 19.Ne3 Nc6 20.Kh1 gxh5 1-0(23) Nakamura 2660 Pelletier Yannick SUI 2603, ? 2005;
- 13...Ba4 14.Qc1 Nb3 15.Qe3 h6 16.h4 000 17.h5 Na5 18.N3d2 Bc2 19.Rbc1 Bh7 20.Bd1 Kb8 1-0(52) Nakamura 2660 Pelletier 2603, Bienne 2005.
- 8.Rb1 Bd7 9.b4 cxb3 10.c4 dxc4 11.Nxc4 Nxc4 12.Bxc4 Rc8 13.Bxb3 Qa6 14.d5 exd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.Bxc6+ Rxc6 17.Nd4 Rc5 18.e6 Re5+ 19.Be3 Nh6 20.Qb3 Bxa3 1-0(40) Morozevich 2787 Vaganian 2590, Almaty 2008.
- 8.h4 Bd7 9.h5 OOO 10.g3 f5 11.exf6 gxf6 12.Bh3 Bd6 13.OO e5 14.Bxd7+ Rxd7 15.Rb1 e4 16.Nh4 Ne7 17.b3 Qc7 18.bxc4 e3 19.fxe3 Bxg3 20.Ng2 Rg8 1-0(32) Hodgson 2615 Arkell 2525, Surrey 1996.
- [*71*] 8...Ne7 9.Nh4 h6 10.Ng2 Bd7 11.Ne3 000 12.Qf3 Nf5 13.Be2 Be7 14.Nxf5 exf5 15.Qxd5 Be6 16.Qg2 g5 17.Qf1 Qc7 18.f4 gxf4 19.Qxf4 h5 20.Rb1 h4 1-0(46) Malaniuk 2615 Kuzmin 2545, Nikolaev UKR 1995.
- 8...Be7 9.h4 h5 10.Bh3 Bd7 11.00 Nh6 12.Re1 000 13.Rb1 Kb8 14.Nh2 g6 15.Ndf3 Qb3 16.Qe2 Ba4 17.Bg5 Bxg5 18.Nxg5 Qc2 19.Nf1 Qxe2 20.Rxe2 Nc6 =-=(33) Stevic 2523 Korchnoi 2635, Leipzig GER 2002.
- [*72*] 9.Bh3 Be7 10.00 h5 11.Qe2 000 12.Ne1 g6 13.f4 Nh6 14.Ndf3 Nb3 15.Rb1 Nxc1 16.Rxc1 Rdg8 17.Ng5 Qd8 18.Qd2 b5 19.Nc2 Kb8 20.Rb1 Qc7 =-=(26) Movsesian 2624 Radjabov 2610, Sarajevo BIH 2002.
- [*73*] 9...000 10.Bh3 Ne7 11.00 h6 12.Re1 Kb8 13.Rb1 Nc8 14.Nf1 Be7 15.N3h2 Qc7 16.Be3 Nb6 17.Qg4 Rhg8 18.Qe2 Na4 19.Qc2 Qb6 20.Nd2 Nb3 0-1(25) Erenburg 2513 Bareev 2711, playchess.com INT 2004.
- 9...f5 10.exf6 Nxf6 11.Ne5 Bd6 12.Bh3 Bxe5 13.dxe5 Ng8 14.Qg4 g6 15.00 Ne7 16.Nf3 Nb3 17.Be3 Qc7 18.Rad1 h6 19.h5 g5 20.Nd4 Nxd4 1-0(35) Grischuk 2712 Apicella 2501, France 2003.
- [*74*] 11.Nh3 000 12.Nf4 Kb8 13.Be2 Qc7 14.Kf1 Nc8 15.Bh5 g6 16.Be2 Nb6 17.Qe1 Ba4 18.Kg2 Qc6 19.Bd1 Be7 20.Rb1 Bxd1 =-=(21) Ivanchuk 2699 Bareev 2729, Monte Carlo 2003.
- [*75*] 7.Bd3 cxd4 8.cxd4 Bd7 9.00 Nxd4 10.Nxd4 Qxd4 11.Nc3 a6 12.Qe2 Qg4 13.f3 Bc5+ 14.Kh1 Qh4 15.g3 Qh3 16.Qe1 Bc6 17.Bf4 00 18.Rc1 f5 19.Bxh6 Qxh6 20.Nxd5 Bxa3 0-1(30) Dvoirys 2552 Lputian 2638, Istanbul 2003.
- [*76*] 7...cxb4 8.cxb4 Nf5 9.Bb2 Bd7 10.g4 Nfe7 11.Nc3 Na5 12.Qc2 Nc4 13.Bxc4 dxc4 14.Nd2 Qc6 15.Nce4 c3 16.Nd6+ Kd8 17.Nxf7+ Ke8 18.Nd6+ Kd8 19.Nf7+ Ke8 20.Nd6+ =-= Sveshnikov 2557 Radjabov 2656, Tallinn 2004.
- [*77*] 8.Bxh6 gxh6 9.cxd4 Bd7 10.Be2 Rc8 11.OO Bg7 12.Qd2 OO 13.Ra2 f6 14.b5 Ne7 15.Bd3 Ng6 16.a4 fxe5 17.Bxg6 hxg6 18.Nxe5 Bxe5 19.dxe5 Kg7 20.Na3 Qc5 = (31) Rubinchik Leonid UKR 2554 Khlusevich Sergey Olegovich 2615, ? 1994;
- 9...Bg7 10.Nc3 00 11.Bb5 a5 12.bxa5 Qxa5 13.Qd2 Bd7 14.Bxc6 bxc6 15.00 c5 16.Qe3 Rfc8 17.Ne2 Bb5 18.dxc5 Bxe2 19.Qxe2 Rxc5 20.Ne1 Rc3 =-=(35) Rozentalis 2585 Berg 2540, Stockholm 2005.
- [*78*] 9.Be3 f6 10.exf6 gxf6 11.Bd3 Nxe3 12.fxe3 Bh6 13.Qe2 Bd7 14.Nc3 Ne7 15.00 00 16.Kh1 Rac8 17.Nd1 Bg7 18.Nf2 e5 19.dxe5 fxe5 20.e4 d4 1-0(49) Morozevich 2742 Bareev 2707, Monte Carlo 2002;
- 15.Nd2 00 16.Nb3 e5 17.Nc5 Bc8 18.Qh5 f5 19.Qh4 exd4 20.exd4 Qf6 =-=(26) Zhiqalko 2558 Laznicka 2595, Moscu RUS 2008;
- 10.Bd3 Nxe3 11.fxe3 fxe5 12.b5 Nxd4 13.exd4 e4 14.Bxe4 dxe4 15.Ne5 Bd7 16.00 000 17.Nc3 Bc5 18.Na4 Bxd4+ 19.Kh1 Qd6 20.Nf7 Qd5 =-=(33) Potkin 2522 Filippov 2627, Togliatti 2003;

- 9...g6 10.Bd3 Nxe3 11.fxe3 Bh6 12.Qe2 00 13.00 f5 14.exf6 Rxf6 15.Nc3 Bd7 16.Na4 Qc7 17.Rac1 a6 18.Nc5 Raf8 19.a4 Qd6 20.Nxb7 Qxb4 1-0(48) Movsesian 2651 Roiz 2512, Panormo GRE 2002.
- [*79*] 9...Be7 10.h4 h5 11.Bd3 g6 12.Bxf5 gxf5 13.Nc3 Rg8 14.OO Rg4 15.Ne2 Bd7 16.g3 OOO 17.Bc1 Rdg8 18.Kh1 Kb8 19.Bf4 Ka8 20.Qd2 f6 1-0(31) Grischuk 2669 Zhang Pengxiang 2487, Shanghai CHN 2001;

0-1 Grischuk 2665 - Zhang Pengxiang 2485, ? 2001;

- 14.Ng5 Qxd4 15.Qxd4 Nxd4 16.Nxd5 Nc2+ 17.Kd2 exd5 18.Kxc2 Bxg5 19.hxg5 Rxg5 20.Bd4 Be6 =-=(50) Grischuk 2667 Sakaev 2637, Tomsk RUS 2001;
- 14.g3 Bd7 15.Bc1 Rc8 16.Ne2 a5 17.b5 Qxb5 18.Bg5 a4 19.Rb1 Qa5+ 20.Kf1 Bxa3 1-0(61) Shabalov 2613 Akobian 2531, Seattle 2003;
- 11...a5 12.Bxf5 exf5 13.Nc3 Be6 14.b5 a4 15.Qd3 Na7 16.00 Rc8 17.Bc1 Rc4 18.Rd1 Nxb5 19.Ne2 Qc6 20.Bg5 Bxg5 0-1(45) Grischuk 2702 Lputian 2627, Bled SLO 2002;
- 13...axb4 14.Nxd5 Qa5 15.Nxe7 b3+ 16.Nd2 Nxe7 17.Qxb3 Rh6 18.Bc3 Qd5 19.00 Qxb3 20.Nxb3 Rc6 1-0(56) Sveshnikov 2535 Bareev 2655, Elista RUS 1996;
 - 12.Qa4 Bd7 13.b5 Na7 14.Nc3 Qd8 15.Qd1 Nc8 16.Bxf5 exf5 17.Nxd5 Bxb5
- 18.Nc3 Ba6 19.d5 Bc5 20.Nd4 Ne7 1-0(34) Motylev 2640 Potkin 2516, Moscow 2003;
- 10...a5 11.b5 a4 12.g4 Nh6 13.Rg1 Na5 14.Nc3 Nb3 15.Ra2 Qa5 16.Bd3 Bd7 17.Nd2 Nxd4 18.Nxd5 Bxb5 19.Bc3 Qd8 20.Nxe7 Bxd3 0-1(25) Yemelin 2550 Dolmatov 2605, Krasnoyarsk RUS 2003;
- 10.Bd3 Bd7 11.00 Rc8 12.Nbd2 g5 13.Nb3 h5 14.Rc1 g4 15.Ne1 a5 16.Bxf5 exf5 17.Nd3 axb4 18.Nbc5 Be6 19.axb4 Qb5 20.Nf4 Rh6 1-0(31) Khalifman 2678 Dolmatov 2605, Rethymnon GRE 2003;
- 10...a5 11.Qa4 Bd7 12.b5 00 13.00 Na7 14.Nc3 Nh4 15.Nxh4 Bxh4 16.Qd1 f5 17.Na4 Qd8 18.Qb3 b6 19.Nc3 Be8 20.a4 Be7 1-0(58) Motylev 2649 Alavkin 2488, Sochi 2004;
- 10.Be2 00 11.00 a5 12.b5 a4 13.Kh1 Na5 14.Nc3 Nc4 15.Bxc4 dxc4 16.Qd2 Bd7 17.Rab1 Qa5 18.d5 exd5 19.Qxd5 Be6 20.Qxb7 Rfb8 1-0(35) Short 2695 Bareev 2655, Geneva SUI 1996.
- 9...a5 10.b5 a4 11.g4 Nfe7 12.Nc3 Nb8 13.Bd3 Nd7 14.00 Ng6 15.Rc1 Be7 16.Nxa4 Qa5 17.Nc5 00 18.Bxg6 hxg6 19.Qd3 Qb6 20.a4 Bxc5 0-1(48) Sveshnikov 2560 Bareev 2675, Moscow RUS 1995.
 - =-= Khairullin 2544 Meier 2570, Moscow RUS 2008.
- [*80*] 10.h4 Rc8 11.h5 Be7 12.g4 Nh6 13.Rg1 f6 14.exf6 gxf6 15.Nc3 Nf7 16.Na4 Qd8 17.Nc5 a5 18.g5 fxg5 19.Bh3 axb4 20.Nxe6 Qa5 0-1(30) Shabalov 2656 Kraai 2561, Foxwoods 2007.
- [*81*] 11.Nc3 Na5 12.Nd2 Rc8 13.Rc1 Ng6 14.h4 Be7 15.h5 Nf4 16.Qf3 Bg5 17.Ne2 Rxc1+ 18.Nxc1 00 19.h6 g6 20.Nd3 Nxd3+ =-=(28) Grischuk 2606 Kruppa 2582, Elista RUS 2000;
- 16.Nf3 Nc4 17.Qb3 OO 18.Na4 Bxa4 0-1 Degraeve 2606 Komarov 2556, ? 2000;
- 15.g5 00 16.Ne2 Rfd8 17.h5 Nf8 18.Rg1 Rxc1 19.Nxc1 Nc6 20.Rg4 Rc8 0-1(37) Shirov 2710 Gurevich 2652, Khanty Mansyisk RUS 2005;
- 14.Qe2 Be7 15.Qe3 OO 16.h4 f6 17.h5 Nh8 18.Rc2 Nc6 19.Na4 Qd8 20.exf6 Bxf6 0-1(38) Motylev 2632 Ponomariov 2704, Khanty Mansiysk 2005;
- 13...h5 14.Rc2 Nc4 15.Bxc4 dxc4 16.Nce4 Nd5 17.Nxc4 Rxc4 18.Rxc4 a5 19.00 axb4 20.axb4 Qd8 =-=(50) Ivanchuk 2717 Bareev 2707, Dubai UAE 2002;
- 11...h5 12.g5 Nf5 13.Na4 Qd8 14.Bd3 h4 15.Rc1 Be7 16.Rg1 g6 17.Bxf5 exf5 18.Nc5 Rb8 19.Qe2 Be6 20.Qe3 Qb6 1-0(45) Shirov 2690 Kramnik 2740, Monaco MNC 1997;
- 12.Na4 Qd8 13.Nc5 b6 14.Nb7 Qc7 15.Nd6+ Kd8 16.Nxf7+ Ke8 17.Nd6+ Kd8 18.Ng5 Ng6 19.Ngf7+ Ke7 20.gxh5 Be8 1-0(25) Grischuk 2712 Khruschiov 2434, Dos Hermanas 2003;

- 11...Ng6 12.Na4 Qd8 13.h4 h5 14.g5 b6 15.Bd3 Nf4 16.Ba6 Ne7 17.Nc3 Nf5 18.Ne2 Ng2+ 19.Kd2 b5 20.Qg1 g6 =-=(36) Nevednichy 2563 Lputian 2607, Ohrid MKD 2001.
- 10...Nh6 11.h3 f6 12.exf6 gxf6 13.Nc3 Nf7 14.Qe2 Be7 15.Na4 Qc7 16.Nc5 OO 17.Bg2 Rae8 18.OO Bd6 19.Rac1 a6 20.Rc2 Bc8 0-1(53) Shirov 2709 Berg 2540, Tallinn (Estonia) 2006;
- 12.Nc3 fxe5 13.dxe5 Be7 14.Na4 Qd8 15.Rc1 00 16.Nc5 Bxc5 17.Rxc5 Nf7 18.Bg2 b6 19.Rc1 Ne7 20.Qd2 Ng6 0-1(32) Sveshnikov 2570 Lputian 2610, Sochi RUS 1993;
- 12.Bd3 Nf7 13.Nbd2 fxe5 14.dxe5 Be7 15.Rc1 Ng5 16.h4 Nxf3+ 17.Qxf3 Nd4 18.Qe3 Nb5 19.Nf3 Qxe3+ 20.fxe3 a5 1-0(39) Sveshnikov 2560 Lputian 2560, Tilburg NED 1992;
- 11...Be7 12.Bd3 Rc8 13.Nbd2 Nb8 14.Qe2 a6 15.Nb1 Nc6 16.00 00 17.Nc3 Nxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Ne4 Qb6 20.Nf6+ Bxf6 1-0(41) Timman 2579 Hansen 2610, Malmo 2003;
- 11.Rg1 f6 12.exf6 gxf6 13.Nc3 Nf7 14.Na4 Qc7 15.Rc1 Qf4 16.Nc5 Bxc5 17.dxc5 Nce5 18.Nxe5 Nxe5 19.Rg3 a6 20.Be2 Bb5 =-=(70) Short 2675 Lputian 2625, Batumi GEO 1999;
- 16.Rc3 Ng5 17.b5 Na5 18.Nxg5 fxg5 19.Bc1 Qxh2 20.Rgg3 Bd6 =-=(30) Savic 2498 Lputian 2634, Neum 2002.
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- 6...Rc8 7.00 cxd4 8.cxd4 Nb4 9.Nc3 Nxd3 10.Qxd3 Ne7 11.Bg5 Qb6 12.Bxe7 Bxe7 13.Rab1 00 14.Rfc1 Rc4 15.Nd1 Rfc8 16.Rxc4 dxc4 17.Qe2 c3 18.Rc1 cxb2 19.Rxc8+ Bxc8 20.Nxb2 Bd7 0-1(38) Nakamura 2657 Lysyj 2498, playchess.com INT 2005.
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- 7.Be2 Na5 8.Nbd2 Bc6 9.00 Qd7 10.g3 Ba4 11.Qe1 Be7 12.h4 000 13.Kg2 f5 14.Ng5 Bxg5 15.hxg5 Ne7 16.Rh1 f4 17.gxf4 Rdf8 18.Nf1 Nb3 19.Be3 Nxa1 20.Qxa1 Bc2 0-1(29) Nunn 2620 King 2530, Kilkenny IRL 1997;
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- 8...Nc8 9.Bd3 Be7 10.00 Nb6 11.Nbd2 Rc8 12.Nb3 Nc4 13.Qe2 00 14.Bf4 b6 15.b5 Nb8 16.a4 a6 17.bxa6 Nxa6 18.Nbd2 Nb4 19.Bxc4 dxc4 20.Nxc4 Nd5 =-=(42) Movsesian 2555 Jussupow 2640, Germany 1998.
- 6...Rc8 7.Bd3 cxd4 8.cxd4 Qb6 9.Bc2 g5 10.h3 Nxd4 11.Nxd4 Bc5 12.Be3 Qxb2 13.Bb3 Qxa1 14.00 Ne7 15.Re1 Nc6 16.Nxe6 Bxe3 17.Ng7+ Kf8 18.Qxd5 Nxe5 19.Rxe3 Rc1+ 20.Kh2 Rxb1 0-1(47) Hodgson 2580 Jussupow 2655, Groningen NED 1994.
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- [*88*] 9.Bf4 c4 10.Bc2 h6 11.h4 Be8 12.b3 cxb3 13.Bxb3 Bh5 14.Nbd2 fxe5 15.dxe5 Bc5 16.Qb1 Nge7 17.c4 Rhf8 18.Bh2 Bxf3 19.Nxf3 Rxf3 20.gxf3 Nd4 0-1(26) Adams 2590 Epishin 2620, Ter Apel NED 1992.

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- 7.a3 cxd4 8.cxd4 Nf5 9.Nc3 Rc8 10.00 Be7 11.Bd3 Ncxd4 12.Nxd4 Nxd4 13.Qg4 Nb3 14.Qxg7 Rf8 15.Rb1 Nxc1 16.Rfxc1 Qb6 17.Qg4 Kd8 18.Rc2 f6 19.exf6 Rxf6 20.Re1 h6 =-=(57) Benjamin 2580 Christiansen 2550, Chandler 1997.
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- 8.a3 Nh6 9.Kh1 Nf5 10.b4 cxd4 11.cxd4 Be7 12.Bb2 g5 13.g4 Nh6 14.h3 f6 15.exf6 Bxf6 16.Nbd2 Nf7 17.Nb3 h5 18.Kg2 hxg4 19.hxg4 Ne7 20.Bd3 Ba4 0-1(35) Thipsay 2515 Ehlvest 2610, Groningen 1997.
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- 7...Nh6 8.Na3 cxd4 9.cxd4 Bxa3 10.Bxh6 Bxb2 11.Bxg7 Rg8 12.Bf6 Bxa1 13.Qxa1 Ne7 14.Qc1 Nf5 15.Bd3 a5 16.Bxf5 exf5 17.e6 Bxe6 18.Qh6 Rc8 19.Qxh7 Kd7 20.h4 Qb2 =-=(35) Movsesian 2659 Mueller 2533, Fürstenfeld 2000.
- 6...cxd4 7.cxd4 Nge7 8.00 Nf5 9.Nc3 Be7 10.Be3 00 11.Bd3 Nxe3 12.fxe3 f5 13.exf6 Bxf6 14.Qc2 h6 15.Qe2 Qe7 16.Rad1 g5 17.h3 Qg7 18.Bb1 Rad8 19.Nh2 Be7 20.a3 Rxf1+ 0-1(37) Sandipan 2579 Ni Hua 2710, Beijing 2008.
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- [*92*] 7...Qb6 8.Bd3 000 9.dxc5 Bxc5 10.b4 Be7 11.Be3 Qc7 12.exf6 Nxf6 13.b5 Na5 14.Bd4 Bc5 15.Nbd2 Kb8 16.Qa4 Bxd4 17.Qxd4 Rc8 18.Rac1 Qb6 19.Qf4+ Ka8 20.Ne5 Rhd8 =-=(41) Mukhametov 2505 Beliavsky 2615, ? 1996;
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- 8.dxc5 Bxc5 9.b4 Be7 10.Bf4 fxe5 11.Nxe5 Nxe5 12.Bxe5 Nf6 13.a4 a5 14.bxa5 Rxa5 15.Nd2 OO 16.Rb1 Qa7 17.Bb5 Bxb5 18.axb5 Ra2 19.Bd4 Qb8 20.Re1 Qf4 1-0(37) Polgar 2630 Topalov 2640, Dos Hermanas 1994;
- 8.Na3 fxe5 9.dxe5 Nh6 10.c4 d4 11.Bd3 Nf7 12.Re1 Be7 13.h4 000 14.Nc2 Rdg8 15.a3 g5 16.hxg5 Nxg5 17.Bxg5 Bxg5 18.b4 Be7 19.Be4 cxb4 20.axb4 Nxb4 1-0(29) Grischuk 2601 Kolev 2582, Istanbul TUR 2000.
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- 7...cxd4 8.cxd4 Nh6 9.exf6 Qxf6 10.Bg5 Qg6 11.h4 Nf7 12.Nc3 Bd6 13.Qb3 h6 14.Be3 Na5 15.Qd1 a6 16.Ne5 Bxe5 17.dxe5 h5 18.f4 Nc6 19.Bc5 Qg3 20.Na4 Qxh4 1-0(42) Shabalov 2624 Berg 2495, playchess.com INT 2004.

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- 11.Bg4 Qd7 12.Nc3 dxc4 13.Qe2 Nf5 14.Qxc4 Nd4 15.a4 h5 16.Bh3 Qf7 17.f4 Rd8 18.Rf2 Nf5 19.Rd2 Be7 20.Rxd8+ Bxd8 1-0(51) Sax 2600 Speelman 2605, Hastings 1990;
- 10.Bd3 Qd7 11.Bg5 Nh6 12.Nd2 Nf7 13.Bh4 Be7 14.Bxe7 Qxe7 15.f4 000 16.Qe2 Kb8 17.Rae1 g6 18.a3 c4 19.Bc2 Qc5+ 20.Qf2 d4 1-0(41) Ivanchuk 2680 Short 2610, Novi Sad YUG 1990.
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- [*98*] 7...Nge7 8.Na3 cxd4 9.cxd4 Ng6 10.Nc2 Be7 11.Bd3 00 12.Re1 f6 13.Bxg6 hxg6 14.Qd3 f5 15.Qd2 f4 16.b4 g5 17.h3 Be8 18.Ba3 Bg6 19.Rec1 a6 20.Rab1 Na7 1-0(40) Shirov 2723 Jussupow Artur (GER) 2592, ? 2002;
 - 1-0(41) Shirov 2704 Jussupow 2618, Prague CZE 2002;
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- 8...Ng6 9.g3 cxd4 10.cxd4 Be7 11.h4 00 12.h5 Nh8 13.h6 g6 14.Nc2 f6 15.exf6 Bxf6 16.Ne3 Nf7 17.Ng4 Be7 18.Bf4 Qb6 19.b4 a6 20.a4 Nd6 1-0(32) Fressinet 2626 Drasko 2521, Paris 2006.
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- 11.Be3 Be7 12.Bd3 Nxe3 13.fxe3 OO 14.Rf2 f6 15.Qc2 f5 16.Kh1 Qe8 17.Rg1 Qh5 18.Be2 Qh6 19.Qb3 Na5 20.Qb6 Bd8 0-1(35) Ivanovic 2470 Bareev 2670, Moscow RUS 1993;
- 8...Nge7 9.b4 cxd4 10.cxd4 Nf5 11.Bb2 Qb6 12.Qd2 Be7 13.Rd1 00 14.Nc3 Qd8 =-= Goloshchapov 2519 Roiz 2593, ? 2005.

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- 8...Nge7 9.Na3 cxd4 10.cxd4 Nf5 11.Nc2 Nb4 12.Nxb4 Bxb4 13.Qb3 Qb6 14.Bd2 a5 15.a3 Bc5 16.Qxb6 Bxb6 17.Bc3 OO 18.Rac1 Ba4 19.Bd3 Ne7 20.b4 Nc6 1-0(43) Svidler 2742 Roiz 2611, Rishon Le Ziyyon 2006.
- 8.b3 Nge7 9.Bb2 Nf5 10.Bd3 cxd4 11.Bxf5 exf5 12.Nxd4 Be7 13.Re1 00 14.Qd3 Nxd4 15.cxd4 Qa5 16.Nc3 Rc6 17.a3 Be6 18.b4 Qc7 19.f4 Rc8 20.Rec1 g6 =-=(41) Sveshnikov 2560 Epishin 2620, Moscow RUS 1992;
 - =-= Sveshnikov 2560 Epishin 2620, Podolsk 1992.
- 8.Kh1 cxd4 9.cxd4 Nge7 10.Nc3 Ng6 11.Bd3 Be7 12.Be3 OO 13.Re1 Na5 14.Rc1 Nc4 15.Rc2 Nxe3 16.fxe3 b5 17.a3 Qb6 18.h4 Bxh4 19.Nxh4 Nxh4 20.Bxh7+ Kxh7 1-0(59) Grischuk 2671 Radjabov 2599, Dubai 2002;
- 8...Nge7 9.dxc5 Ng6 10.Be3 Ncxe5 11.Nxe5 Nxe5 12.b4 Be7 13.Nd2 Nc6 14.f4 Bf6 15.Rc1 OO 16.Nf3 Re8 17.a4 Qc7 18.Bd3 g6 19.b5 axb5 20.axb5 Ne7 1-0(34) Grischuk 2671 Radjabov 2599, Dubai 2002.
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- 8...Qb6 9.dxc5 Bxc5 10.Bxc5 Qxc5 11.Nbd2 f6 12.Nb3 Qb6 13.c4 Nxe5 14.cxd5 Nh6 15.dxe6 Bxe6 16.Nbd4 Nf5 17.Nxe6 Qxe6 18.Nxe5 fxe5 19.Bf3 Rd8 20.Qb3 Qxb3 =-=(34) Schlosser 2570 Motwani 2543, Mulhouse 2005.
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- [*100*] 11.Rb1 Na5 12.a4 Bc6 13.Bd3 h6 14.Bc2 Nc4 15.Ne1 a5 16.h4 Nf5 17.g3 00 18.Ng2 Qe7 19.Nf4 Na3 20.Bxf5 exf5 0-1(44) Svesnikovs 2524 Bareev 2701, Turin ITA 2006;
- 12.h4 Bc6 13.Qd2 Nc4 14.Qf4 Qd7 15.Bd3 h6 16.Qg3 Kf8 17.h5 Bb5 18.Nh4 Na5 19.Bxb5 axb5 20.Bd2 Nc4 0-1(54) Predojevic 2566 Atalik 2632, Turin ITA 2006;
- 12.Bd3 h6 13.a4 Bc6 14.h4 Nc4 15.h5 00 16.Bc2 f5 17.exf6 Rxf6 18.Qd3 Kf8 19.Ne5 Qc7 20.Qh7 Nxe5 =-=(41) Kononenko 2527 Korobov 2605, Poltava UKR 2008.
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- 7...Nf5 8.Bd3 cxd4 9.Bxf5 exf5 10.Nxd4 Be7 11.Re1 Be6 12.Be3 00 13.Nd2 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 Qd7 15.f4 Rfc8 16.Nf1 a5 17.a3 Ra6 18.Ne3 g6 19.Qe2 h5 20.Red1 b5 1-0(36) Timman 2650 Gurevich 2643, Germany 1999;
- 11.Nf3 Be6 12.Be3 g5 13.Na3 f4 14.Bd4 Rg8 15.Ne1 Nxd4 16.Qxd4 Qa5 17.Nec2 h5 18.Qd3 000 19.Nd4 g4 20.Nab5 a6 =-=(34) Romanishin 2555 Hort 2570, Biel 1987.
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- 8...Be7 9.h4 cxd4 10.cxd4 00 11.h5 Nh8 12.h6 g6 13.Nbd2 f6 14.exf6 Bxf6 15.Nb3 Nf7 16.Nh2 Nd6 17.Bg4 Rc8 18.Nf3 Ne4 19.Be3 Rf7 20.Rc1 b6 =-=(44) Hjartarson 2535 Korchnoi 2615, Amsterdam NED 1991.
- 8.a3 Be7 9.b4 cxd4 10.cxd4 Rc8 11.Be3 OO 12.Qd2 f6 13.exf6 Bxf6 14.Nc3 Nce7 15.Bd3 Be8 16.Bg5 h6 17.Bxf6 Rxf6 18.Ne5 Nxe5 19.dxe5 Rf8 20.Ne2 Bg6 =-=(39) Romero Holmes 2495 Nikolic 2635, Wijk aan Zee NED 1992.
- [*104*] 8...cxd4 9.cxd4 Be7 10.Nc3 OO 11.Bd3 Be8 12.Rc1 f6 13.exf6 Bxf6 14.Qd2 Kh8 15.Bb1 Rc8 16.Rfe1 Rc7 17.Rcd1 Rd7 18.Kh1 Be7 19.Ng5 Rf6 20.f4 Nf8 =-=(84) Sax 2605 Korchnoi 2615, Wijk aan Zee NED 1991.
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- [*107*] 7...Ng6 8.h4 cxd4 9.cxd4 Bb4+ 10.Kf1 h6 11.Nc2 Be7 12.Bd3 00 13.Rh3 f5 14.Rg3 Kh7 15.h5 Nh8 16.Ng1 Nf7 17.Nh3 Bh4 18.Re3 Ng5 19.Kg1 Rc8 20.Nf4 Ne4 =- =(62) Shirov 2713 Gurevich 2672, Belfort FRA 2004;
- 12...Nf8 13.Rh3 Qb6 14.Rg3 g6 15.Kg1 Rc8 16.b3 Nb4 17.Nxb4 Bxb4 18.Be3 Bb5 19.Bxb5+ Qxb5 20.Rc1 Rc6 =-=(57) Ehlvest 2630 Minasian 2554, Ohrid MKD 2001;
- 12.h5 Nf8 13.Rh3 Nh7 14.Bd3 OO 15.Rg3 Kh8 16.Bf4 f5 17.exf6 Nxf6 18.Ne5 Nxe5 19.Bxe5 Be8 20.Rh3 Bd6 0-1(39) Movsesian 2666 Nikolic 2657, Istanbul 2000;
- 11...Ba5 12.Bd3 Bb6 13.Rh3 f5 14.exf6 Qxf6 15.Bg5 Qf7 16.h5 Nf4 17.Bxf4 Qxf4 18.Bg6+ Ke7 19.Rh4 Qd6 20.Bd3 Raf8 1-0(56) Movsesian 2667 Korobov 2530, Pardubice 2007;
- 10...Be7 11.g3 00 12.h5 Nh8 13.Nc2 f6 14.Bf4 Nf7 15.Ne3 fxe5 16.dxe5 Ng5 17.h6 g6 18.Ng4 Ne4 19.Nd2 Nxf2 20.Nxf2 g5 1-0(105) Movsesian 2635 Kindermann 2535, Tegernsee GER 2005;
- 9...Bxa3 10.bxa3 h6 11.h5 Nge7 12.00 Na5 13.Rb1 Bc6 14.Bd3 Nc4 15.Nh4 Qa5 16.Qg4 Kd7 17.Rb4 Rag8 18.f4 f5 19.exf6 gxf6 20.Qe2 Nd6 1-0(34) Grischuk 2702 Graf 2635, Bled 2002;
- 8.Nc2 Be7 9.Bd3 c4 10.Be2 f6 11.exf6 Bxf6 12.b3 cxb3 13.axb3 00 14.00 h6 15.Bd3 Be8 16.Re1 Qd7 17.Ba3 Be7 18.Bxe7 Qxe7 19.Bf1 Qf6 20.Ne3 Nf4 =-=(47) Adams 2640 Nikolic 2655, ? 1994;
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- 9.00 00 10.Re1 cxd4 11.cxd4 Rc8 12.Bd3 a6 13.Re3 f5 14.exf6 Bxf6 15.Bxg6 hxg6 16.Rc3 Qb6 17.Rb3 Qa7 18.Bg5 Bxg5 19.Nxg5 e5 20.Qd2 Nxd4 =-=(27) Dvoirys 2568 Tukmakov 2595, Geneva SUI 2001.
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 - 1-0(36) Ehlvest 2638 Barsov 2500, Dhaka BAN 2001; 0-1 Ehlvest J 2635 Barsov 2500, ? 2001.
- [*108*] 8...Nc8 9.Nc2 Nb6 10.00 Be7 11.Bd3 Rc8 12.Re1 Nb4 13.Nxb4 Bxb4 14.Bg5 Be7 15.Bxe7 Qxe7 16.b3 h6 17.Qd2 Qa3 18.Re3 00 19.Ne1 Rc7 20.b4 Qa4 1-0(42) Timman 2594 Speelman 2541, London/Crowthorne 2006;
- 9.00 Be7 10.Nc2 a5 11.a4 N8a7 12.Bd3 h6 13.Nfe1 Qb6 14.Qg4 g6 15.h4 000 16.g3 Kb8 17.Qe2 Rc8 18.Nf3 Qb3 19.Be3 Nb4 20.Nxb4 Bxb4 =-=(32) Rozentalis 2570 Bischoff 2556, Germany 2000.
- 8...Qb6 9.00 Nb4 10.h4 a6 11.Bf4 Nc8 12.Qd2 Na7 13.Rfc1 h6 14.Rc3 Be7 15.h5 Ba4 16.b3 Bd7 17.Nc2 Nb5 18.Bxb5 axb5 19.Ne3 Ra3 20.Rcc1 Qa5 1-0(43) Shirov 2699 Roiz 2605, Sochi 2007.
- 8...Rc8 9.Nc2 f6 10.00 Ng6 11.Bd3 fxe5 12.Bxg6+ hxg6 13.dxe5 Be7 14.Qd3 00 15.Ncd4 g5 16.h3 Nxd4 17.Nxd4 Qe8 18.Qg3 Qh5 19.Be3 Rc4 20.Rac1 Rfc8 =-=(34) Movsesian 2654 Sakaev 2647, Panormo GRE 2002.
- 8...f6 9.00 fxe5 10.Nxe5 Nxe5 11.dxe5 Nc6 12.Nb5 a6 13.Bd3 g6 14.Qg4 Nxe5 15.Qg3 axb5 16.Qxe5 Rg8 17.Bxb5 Qb6 18.Bd3 Bg7 19.Qg3 e5 20.Be3 Qe6 0-1(38) Carlsen 2552 Agdestein 2595, Molde 2004.
- [*109*] 9.Nc2 Be7 10.Bd3 Nb4 11.Nxb4 Bxb4+ 12.Kf1 Be7 13.h4 Qb6 14.h5 Nf8 15.a4 a6 16.Rh3 f5 17.exf6 gxf6 18.Rg3 000 19.Bf4 Bd6 20.Qc1+ Kb8 1-0(41) Adams 2640 Nikolic 2655, New York 1994.
- [*110*] 9...Be7 10.g3 00 11.h5 Nh8 12.Nc2 f6 13.Bf4 Nf7 =-= Kobalia 2618 Gleizerov 2539, Abu Dhabi 2004.
- [*111*] 11.h5 Nf8 12.Rh3 f5 13.Nb5 Qb6 14.Bd2 Be7 15.a4 Nh7 16.Rg3 Kf8 17.Qc1 Kf7 18.a5 Qd8 19.Bxh6 Rg8 20.Ng5+ Nxg5 1-0(26) Baklan 2639 Gleizerov 2552, Predeal 2007.
- [*112*] 9.00 Bxa3 10.bxa3 00 11.Rb1 Qc7 12.Bd3 Rfc8 13.Bxf5 exf5 14.Bg5 h6 15.Bd2 Rab8 16.Rb3 Na5 17.Rc3 Qb6 18.Rc5 Nc4 19.Bb4 a5 20.Rxc8+ Rxc8 0-1(43) Sax 2600 Dreev 2580, Tilburg NED 1992.
- [*113*] 9...Rc8 10.00 Qb6 11.Kh1 Na5 12.g4 Ne7 13.Nfe1 h5 14.gxh5 Bb5 15.Nd3 Nf5 16.Be3 Nc4 17.b3 Ncxe3 18.fxe3 a5 19.Qd2 Be7 20.Rg1 Qd8 1-0(34) Areshchenko 2673 Danin 2465, Moscu RUS 2009;
- 11...Nb4 12.Nxb4 Qxb4 13.a4 a5 14.Bd2 Qb6 15.g4 Ne7 16.b4 axb4 17.a5 Qc7 18.Bxb4 Ng6 19.Bd2 Be7 20.Qb3 OO 1-0(56) Dvoirys 2562 Gleizerov 2557, Hoogeveen NED 2000;
- 11.g4 Nfe7 12.Nh4 Ng6 13.Ng2 f6 14.exf6 gxf6 15.Kh1 Bd6 16.f4 Nce7 17.Qd3 f5 18.Nce3 fxg4 19.Nxg4 Nf5 20.Nf6+ Ke7 1-0(37) Sveshnikov 2541 Atalik 2598, Bled 1999;
- 10...Be7 11.Bd2 00 12.Bc3 f6 13.Qd2 fxe5 14.dxe5 a6 15.a4 Be8 16.b4 Bh5 17.b5 Bxf3 18.Bxf3 Bg5 19.Qd3 Nce7 20.bxa6 bxa6 1-0(53) Ljubojevic 2605 Short 2655, Monte Carlo 1993;
- 11.Bd3 h5 12.Rb1 a5 13.h3 g5 14.g4 hxg4 15.hxg4 Nh4 16.Be3 Nb4 17.Nxb4 axb4 18.Nxh4 Rxh4 19.f3 f6 20.Bf2 Rh6 =-=(39) Zhigalko 2568 Istratescu 2628, Plovdiv BUL 2008;
- 10.h4 h5 11.g3 Nb4 12.Nxb4 Bxb4+ 13.Bd2 Qb6 14.Bxb4 Qxb4+ 15.Qd2 Qxd2+ 16.Kxd2 f6 17.Bd3 Ne7 =-= Movsesian 2635 Hansen 2607, Germany 2006.

- 9...Qa5+ 10.Bd2 Qb6 11.Bc3 a5 12.00 Be7 13.a4 00 14.Bb5 f6 15.g4 Nh6 16.exf6 Rxf6 17.Ne5 Nxe5 18.dxe5 Rg6 19.Bd4 Bc5 20.Bxd7 Bxd4 0-1(41) Carlsen 2552 Hansen 2635, Malmř/Křbenhavn 2004;
- 11...Be7 12.00 a5 13.a3 00 14.Bd3 Kh8 15.Qd2 Nh4 16.Nxh4 Bxh4 17.Qe3 Be7 18.Qh3 g6 19.Ne3 Qd8 20.f4 Rg8 1-0(58) Predojevic 2645 Tratar 2502, Sibenik CRO 2007;
- 11...Nb4 12.Ne3 Nxe3 13.fxe3 Bb5 14.00 Bxe2 15.Qxe2 Be7 16.Ne1 Qa6 17.Qd1 00 18.a3 Nc6 19.Nd3 Bg5 20.Rf3 Ne7 =-=(47) Sevecek 2604 Fleischanderl 2512, ICCF Email 2002.
- 9...Be7 10.00 h5 11.Nfe1 Qb6 12.Be3 g6 13.Nd3 a5 14.a4 Ncxd4 15.Nxd4 Nxd4 16.Kh1 Rc8 17.f4 Rc4 18.Ne1 Bc5 19.Bxc4 dxc4 20.Bxd4 Bxd4 =-=(29) Movsesian 2659 Hertneck 2571, Austria 1999;
- 11.Rb1 Qb6 12.b4 a5 13.a3 axb4 14.axb4 Ra2 15.b5 Na7 16.Bd3 Qa5 17.Ne3 Nxe3 18.Bxe3 Bxb5 19.Bd2 Qa6 20.Rxb5 Nxb5 1-0(36) Grischuk 2581 Kaidanov 2599, New York, NY USA 2000.
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- [*114*] 10.Ne3 Nxe3 11.fxe3 Be7 12.a3 Nc6 13.b4 a6 14.Rb1 Na7 15.a4 Nc6 16.Bd2 a5 17.b5 Nb4 18.00 00 19.Qe1 Kh8 20.Qg3 f6 0-1(41) Spassky 2610 Korchnoi 2645, Belgrade YUG 1977;
 - 0-1(43) Spassky 2610 Kortschnoj V 2645, ? 1977;
- 12.00 00 13.Bd2 a5 14.a3 Nc6 15.Bd3 Qb6 16.Bc3 f5 17.exf6 Bxf6 18.Qc2 h6 19.Rf2 Ne7 20.g4 Qd6 1-0(45) Peng 2655 Kacheishvili 2560, ? 2000.
- 10.Nxb4 Bxb4+ 11.Bd2 Qa5 12.a3 Bxd2+ 13.Qxd2 Qxd2+ 14.Kxd2 f6 15.Rac1 Ne7 16.b4 Kd8 17.Bd3 Rc8 18.Rxc8+ Nxc8 19.g4 h6 20.Nh4 Ne7 1-0(31) Anand 2555 Gurevich 2645, Manila izt 1990;
 - 1-0(39) Anand 2610 Gurevich 2640, ? 1990.
- [*115*] 11.Qxc2 Rc8 12.Qd3 Qb6 13.h4 a6 14.a4 Bb4 15.h5 h6 16.Bf4 a5 17.Rfc1 Rc6 18.g4 Ne7 19.Be3 Rxc1+ 20.Bxc1 Nc6 1-0(43) Movsesian 2723 Berelovich 2557, Mainz 2008;
- 12...a6 13.a4 Bb4 14.Bg5 Qb6 15.h4 h6 16.Bf4 Be7 17.h5 Rc4 18.Qd1 Rb4 19.Bd2 Nxd4 20.Bxb4 Nxf3+ 1-0(40) Movsesian 2659 Dizdar 2549, Las Vegas, NV USA 1999;
- 12.Qb3 Qb6 13.Qxb6 axb6 14.Bd2 Be7 15.Bd3 h5 16.Rfc1 OO =-= Stevic 2470 Bareev 2698, Bihac BIH 1999;
- 11...Qb6 12.Qd3 Rc8 13.Rd1 h6 14.h4 a6 15.a4 Bb4 16.h5 Ne7 17.Qe3 Nc6 18.Bd3 Na5 19.Bb1 Be7 20.Ra2 Nb3 0-1(31) Campora 2550 Dreev 2670, Biel 1995;
- 13.Bd2 Bb4 14.Bf4 a6 15.a4 Ne7 16.h4 Ba5 17.Rfc1 Rxc1+ 18.Bxc1 h6 =-= Sveshnikov 2555 Dreev 2560, Rostov on Don 1993;
- 12...h5 13.Bg5 Be7 14.Bxe7 Nxe7 15.Rfc1 Rc8 16.Rxc8+ Bxc8 17.Qd2 Bd7 18.Rc1 Nf5 19.Bd3 OO 20.h3 Nh6 =-=(41) Fressinet 2625 Nikolic 2596, Kusadasi 2006;
- 11...h5 12.Bd2 Be7 13.Bd3 Qb6 14.Bxf5 exf5 15.Bg5 Bxg5 16.Nxg5 Qxd4 17.Rfd1 Qh4 18.Qd2 Qc4 19.Rac1 Qb5 20.a4 Qb3 1-0(39) Sveshnikov 2570 Dreev 2570, St Petersburg RUS 1993.
- 10...Rc8 11.Nxb4 Bxb4 12.Bd3 Qb6 13.Bxf5 exf5 14.Bd2 Be7 15.Bg5 Bf8 16.Rc1 Rxc1 17.Bxc1 h6 18.b3 Be7 19.Qd2 OO 20.Bb2 Rc8 =-=(41) Motylev 2651 Van Wely 2681, chessassistantclub.com INT 2004;
- 12.a3 Be7 13.Bd3 Qb6 14.Kh1 00 15.g4 Nh4 16.Nxh4 Bxh4 17.f4 f6 18.g5 fxe5 19.Bxh7+ Kxh7 20.Qh5+ Kg8 1-0(37) Ovetchkin 2473 Van Wely 2681, chessassistantclub.com INT 2004;
- 12.Kh1 Ba5 13.Bd3 OO 14.Bg5 Qb6 15.g4 Nh6 16.Bxh6 gxh6 17.g5 Kh8 18.gxh6 Rg8 19.Qe2 Bb4 20.Rg1 Be7 1-0(26) Movsesian 2645 Sumets 2467, Dos Hermanas 2004.

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- [*116*] 10.h4 Nb4 11.Nxb4 Qxb4+ 12.Kf1 Bb5 13.g4 Bxe2+ 14.Kxe2 Qc4+ 15.Qd3 Ne7 16.h5 h6 17.Bd2 Rc8 18.a3 Kd7 19.Rac1 Qxd3+ 20.Kxd3 Rxc1 1-0(67) Movsesian 2659 Ulibin 2562, Pula CRO 1999;
 - 1-0(67) Movsesian 2659 Ulibin 2562, ? 1999;
- 14...Ne7 15.h5 Nc6 16.Qd3 f6 17.a3 Qb6 18.exf6 gxf6 19.b4 000 20.Be3 Kb8 1-0(31) Movsesian 2628 Potkin 2552, Warsaw 2005;
- 13...Ne7 14.h5 Rc8 15.Kg2 Nc6 16.Bxb5 Qxb5 17.h6 gxh6 18.Bxh6 Qxb2 19.Rb1 Qxa2 20.Bxf8 Rxf8 1-0(31) Movsesian 2637 Oms Pallise 2511, Olite ESP 2006;
- 11...Bxb4+ 12.Kf1 h5 13.a4 Rc8 14.g3 Be7 15.Kg2 Rc7 16.a5 Qb4 17.b3 Bb5 18.Ba3 Bxe2 19.Qxe2 Qxb3 20.Bxe7 Nxe7 =-=(44) Shirov 2704 Gurevich 2641, Prague CZE 2002;
- 12...Bb5 13.g4 Bxe2+ 14.Kxe2 Qa6+ 15.Qd3 Qxd3+ 16.Kxd3 Ne7 17.h5 h6 18.a3 Ba5 19.Be3 Kd7 20.Nh4 Rag8 =-=(41) Movsesian 2651 Berelovich 2541, Germany 2003;
- 10...f6 11.g4 Nfxd4 12.Ncxd4 Nxe5 13.g5 Bc5 14.00 Nxf3+ 15.Nxf3 Qb4 16.Ne1 Qxh4 17.Ng2 Qb4 18.Bd3 000 19.a3 Qb6 20.b4 Bd4 0-1(43) Movsesian 2665 Gurevich 2690, ? 2000;
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- 10...Na5 11.h5 h6 12.00 Bb5 13.Ne3 Nxe3 14.Bxe3 Be7 15.b3 Nc6 16.Ne1 00 17.Bd3 Rac8 18.Qe2 Bxd3 19.Nxd3 Qb5 20.Rfe1 Rc7 =-=(38) Khairullin 2543 Gurevich 2648, Hoogeveen NED 2006.
- 10.g4 Nfe7 11.00 h5 12.h3 hxg4 13.hxg4 f6 14.Bd3 000 15.b4 Nxd4 16.Ncxd4 fxe5 17.Qe2 e4 18.Bf4 Ng6 19.Rac1+ Bc6 20.Bg3 Bd6 1-0(28) Shirov 2718 Van Wely 2700, Wijk aan Zee NED 2001.
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- 11...h5 12.Bg5 Rc8 13.Qd2 Be7 14.Rab1 Bxg5 15.Qxg5 Nce7 16.Bd3 Bb5 17.Bxb5+ Qxb5 18.Ne3 Qe2 19.Nxf5 Nxf5 20.Kg1 Rc2 =-= Peng Xiaomin 2574 Zhang Zhong 2541, Shenyang CHN 1999.
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