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FINA WORLD SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS – ROME, ITALY

Trinidad and Tobago's George Bovell was about to walk out for the first semi final of the 50 M Free when his HIGH TECH swim suit broke. FINA had stated clearly that a race would not be delayed because of a broken suit.

When the race was called, George was still changing into his LZR but the other swimmers would not march out. They delayed the meet for 5 min until George was ready.

George finished tied for eight (21.65) in a disappointing swim so a swim off was required to decide the final qualifier for the final.

In the swim off, George swam the 2nd fastest 50 free ever - 21.20 to win it!!

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