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ARBITER'S REPORT

The 2008 World Blitz Championship Almaty, Kazachstan, 8th November 2008

1. Event and participants

The 2008 World Blitz Championship was a tournament with 16 participants including:

- five first players in the final standings of the 2006 and 2007 World Blitz Championships. In case if one of the seeded players is a prize winner of both of the Championships, a player who took next place (after 5th place) from the 2007 World Blitz Championship fills the vacancy,
- Champion of the 15th Asian Games Marat Kazhgaleev,
- One nominee of the Organizing Committee – Rafael Vaganian,
- Continental 2008 Blitz Champions (4 players). In case one of the players refuses to participate or if there has not been a Continental Blitz Championship, the player shall be nominated by the Continental President.

2. Organizers

Kazachstan Chess Federation
President Margulan Seisembaev

Executive Management
Aliya Sagingalieva
Sergey Kim
Bolot Asanov

3. Appeal Committee and Arbiters

Appeal Committee
GM Bolat Asanov KAZ
GM Boris Spassky FRA
GM Wiktor Korchnoi SUI

Arbiters

IA Andrzej Filipowicz	POL	- Chief Arbiter
FA Saken Seifullin	KAZ	- Deputy Chief Arbiter
IA Maxim Ivakhin	RUS	- Arbiter
NA Sergey Kim	KAZ	- Arbiter
IA Vitaliy Semenikhin	KAZ	- Arbiter
IA Khasan Turdialiev	UZB	- Arbiter
IA Sergey Yurovsky	KAZ	- Arbiter

Should any dispute arise, the decision of an arbiter who was closest to the game where the conflict took place, or Chief Arbiter, shall be final. Only the Appeals Committee can overturn a decision of the Chief Arbiter.

4. Date, venue and schedule

The event was held on November 8, 2008 in the Sanatorium Alatau in Almaty, Kazakhstan.

Schedule of the event

Friday	November 7	at 19.00	Opening Ceremony and
Friday	November 7	at 19.00	Drawing of lots
Saturday	November 8	at 14.00 to 18.30	World Blitz Championship
Saturday	November 8	at 19.00	Closing ceremony

5. Rate of play, Championship and tie break system

The games of the tournament shall be played with a classical time control of 5 minutes for the whole game for each opponent, without any increment.

The playing system will be single round-robin (16 players, 15 rounds). Round Robin Tournament - 15 rounds. The number of points scored determines the final ranking of players. If two or more players were involved in the tie, then the tie was broken by

- Results between the players involved
- Sonneborne-Berger system,
- Number of games played with black
- Number of won games,
- Number of games played with black

If several players tie for the first place, then the above priorities will be used to determine the first and the second players and the title will be decided in a match of two games (3 minutes for a player) between them.

Lots will be drawn before the match, the winner choosing the color of his first game. If the match is drawn, the player who has a better priorities of the main tournament is declared the World Blitz Champion.

6. Prize Fund

1. The total prize fund for the World Blitz Championship was 350,000 Swiss Francs.
2. FIDE shall receive 20% of this amount, i.e. 70, 000 SFr.
3. The prize share for the players was 80% - 280, 000 SFr.
4. The distribution of the prize fund was as follows:
 - 1st place – 80, 000 SFr
 - 2nd place – 50, 000 SFr
 - 3rd place – 30, 000 SFr
 - 4th place – 20, 000 SFr

5th place – 15, 000 SFr
 6th place – 13, 000 SFr
 7th place – 12, 000 SFr
 8th place – 10, 000 SFr
 9th place - 9, 000 SFr
 10th place - 8, 000 SFr
 11th place - 7, 000 SFr
 12th place - 6, 000 SFr
 13th place - 5, 000 SFr
 14th place - 5, 000 SFr
 15th place - 5, 000 SFr
 16th place - 5, 000 SFr

5. The prizes were not shared and were determined according to the additional criteria according to the mentioned FIDE Regulations.
6. The prizes are subject to taxation according to the current legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan. The exact terms of taxation will be announced and distributed to the players during the technical meeting, before the start of the tournament. Also players taking part in other tournaments got money prizes.

7. Opening ceremony

The opening ceremony of the IV WBCC was conducted on November, 7 at 7 PM. FIDE president Kirsan Ilyumzhinov, even office's chief, mayor of Almaty Akhmetzhan Esimov and Kazakhstan Chess federation president Margulan Seisembaev made welcoming speeches on the ceremony.

There were famous political persons of Kazakhstan, cultural elite, experienced and young chess-players and many fancies of this intellectual game came to the opening ceremony.

Participants and guests were greeted by FIDE president Kirsan Ilyumzhinov, even office's chief, mayor of Almaty Akhmetzhan Esimov and Kazakhstan Chess federation president Margulan Seisembaev.

Chief arbiter of the Championship IA Andrzej Filipowicz conducted a draw of lots ceremony.

The players draws the following numbers

List of players

SNo.	Title	Name		Fed.	FIDE	Birth year
1	GM	Ivanchuk, Vassily		UKR	2786	1969- -
2	GM	Dominguez Perez, Leinier		CUB	2719	1983- -
3	GM	Rublevsky, Sergei		RUS	2702	1974- -

4	GM Radjabov, Teimour		AZE	2752	1987- -
5	GM Morozevich, Alexander		RUS	2787	1977- -
6	GM Tkachiev, Vladislav		FRA	2664	1973- -
7	GM Kamsky, Gata		USA	2729	1974- -
8	GM Gelfand, Boris		ISR	2719	1968- -
9	GM Grischuk, Alexander		RUS	2719	1983- -
10	GM Vaganian, Rafael A		ARM	2590	1951- -
11	GM Kazhgaleyev, Murtas		KAZ	2640	1973- -
12	GM Sasikiran, Krishnan		IND	2694	1981- -
13	GM Svidler, Peter		RUS	2727	1976- -
14	GM Amin, Bassem		EGY	2560	1988- -
15	GM Polgar, Judit		HUN	2711	1976- -

16	GM	Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar		AZE	2731	1985- -
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World Blitz Chess Championship

Results of all 15 rounds

Round 1

Board	SNo.		White	Result	Board	SNo.		Black
1	1	[0.0]	Ivanchuk, Vassily	0-1	1	16	[0.0]	Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar
2	2	[0.0]	Dominguez Perez, Leinier	1-0	2	15	[0.0]	Polgar, Judit
3	3	[0.0]	Rublevsky, Sergei	0.5-0.5	3	14	[0.0]	Amin, Bassem
4	4	[0.0]	Radjabov, Teimour	0.5-0.5	4	13	[0.0]	Svidler, Peter
5	5	[0.0]	Morozevich, Alexander	1-0	5	12	[0.0]	Sasikiran, Krishnan
6	6	[0.0]	Tkachiev, Vladislav	0.5-0.5	6	11	[0.0]	Kazhgaleyev, Murtas
7	7	[0.0]	Kamsky, Gata	0.5-0.5	7	10	[0.0]	Vaganian, Rafael A
8	8	[0.0]	Gelfand, Boris	0-1	8	9	[0.0]	Grischuk, Alexander

Round 2

Board	SNo.		White	Result	Board	SNo.		Black
1	10	[0.5]	Vaganian, Rafael A	0-1	1	8	[0.0]	Gelfand, Boris
2	16	[1.0]	Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar	0-1	2	9	[1.0]	Grischuk, Alexander
3	11	[0.5]	Kazhgaleyev, Murtas	1-0	3	7	[0.5]	Kamsky, Gata
4	12	[0.0]	Sasikiran, Krishnan	0-1	4	6	[0.5]	Tkachiev, Vladislav
5	13	[0.5]	Svidler, Peter	0.5-0.5	5	5	[1.0]	Morozevich, Alexander
6	14	[0.5]	Amin, Bassem	0-1	6	4	[0.5]	Radjabov, Teimour
7	15	[0.0]	Polgar, Judit	0-1	7	3	[0.5]	Rublevsky, Sergei
8	1	[0.0]	Ivanchuk, Vassily	0.5-0.5	8	2	[1.0]	Dominguez Perez, Leinier

Round 3

Board	SNo.		White	Result	Board	SNo.		Black
1	3	[1.5]	Rublevsky, Sergei	0.5-0.5	1	1	[0.5]	Ivanchuk, Vassily
2	4	[1.5]	Radjabov, Teimour	1-0	2	15	[0.0]	Polgar, Judit
3	2	[1.5]	Dominguez Perez, Leinier	1.0	3	16	[1.0]	Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar
4	5	[1.5]	Morozevich, Alexander	1.0	4	14	[0.5]	Amin, Bassem
5	6	[1.5]	Tkachiev, Vladislav	1.0	5	13	[1.0]	Svidler, Peter
6	7	[0.5]	Kamsky, Gata	-	6	12	[1.0]	Sasikiran, Krishnan
7	8	[1.0]	Gelfand, Boris	1.0	7	11	[1.5]	Kazhgaleyev, Murtas
8	9	[2.0]	Grischuk, Alexander	1.0	8	10	[0.5]	Vaganian, Rafael A

Round 4

Board	SNo.		White	Result	Board	SNo.		Black
1	11	[1.5]	Kazhgaleyev, Murtas	0.5-0.5	1	9	[3.0]	Grischuk, Alexander
2	12	[0.0]	Sasikiran, Krishnan	0-1	2	8	[2.0]	Gelfand, Boris

3	13 [1.0]	Svidler, Peter	1-0	3	7 [1.5]	Kamsky, Gata
4	16 [1.0]	Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar	1-0	4	10 [0.5]	Vaganian, Rafael A
5	14 [0.5]	Amin, Bassem	1-0	5	6 [2.5]	Tkachiev, Vladislav
6	15 [0.0]	Polgar, Judit	0-1	6	5 [2.5]	Morozevich, Alexander
7	1 [1.0]	Ivanchuk, Vassily	1-0	7	4 [2.5]	Radjabov, Teimour
8	2 [2.5]	Dominguez Perez, Leinier	0.5-0.5	8	3 [2.0]	Rublevsky, Sergei

Round 5

Board	SNo.		White	Result	Board	SNo.		Black
1	4	[2.5]	Radjabov, Teimour	0.5-0.5	1	2	[3.0]	Dominguez Perez, Leinier
2	5	[3.5]	Morozevich, Alexander	0.5-0.5	2	1	[2.0]	Ivanchuk, Vassily
3	6	[2.5]	Tkachiev, Vladislav	0.5-0.5	3	15	[0.0]	Polgar, Judit
4	3	[2.5]	Rublevsky, Sergei	0.1	4	16	[2.0]	Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar
5	8	[3.0]	Gelfand, Boris	0-1	5	13	[2.0]	Svidler, Peter
6	7	[1.5]	Kamsky, Gata	0.1	6	14	[1.5]	Amin, Bassem
7	9	[3.5]	Grischuk, Alexander	1-0	7	12	[0.0]	Sasikiran, Krishnan
8	10	[0.5]	Vaganian, Rafael A	0.1	8	11	[2.0]	Kazhgaleyev, Murtas

Round 6

Board	SNo.		White	Result	Board	SNo.		Black
1	12	[0.0]	Sasikiran, Krishnan	0-1	1	10	[1.5]	Vaganian, Rafael A
2	13	[3.0]	Svidler, Peter	0.5-0.5	2	9	[4.5]	Grischuk, Alexander
3	14	[2.5]	Amin, Bassem	0-1	3	8	[3.0]	Gelfand, Boris
4	15	[0.5]	Polgar, Judit	0-1	4	7	[1.5]	Kamsky, Gata
5	1	[2.5]	Ivanchuk, Vassily	1-0	5	6	[3.0]	Tkachiev, Vladislav
6	2	[3.5]	Dominguez Perez, Leinier	1-0	6	5	[4.0]	Morozevich, Alexander
7	16	[3.0]	Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar	1-0	7	11	[3.0]	Kazhgaleyev, Murtas
8	3	[2.5]	Rublevsky, Sergei	0-1	8	4	[3.0]	Radjabov, Teimour

Round 7

Board	SNo.		White	Result	Board	SNo.		Black
1	5	[4.0]	Morozevich, Alexander	0.5-0.5	1	3	[2.5]	Rublevsky, Sergei
2	6	[3.0]	Tkachiev, Vladislav	0.1	2	2	[4.5]	Dominguez Perez, Leinier
3	7	[2.5]	Kamsky, Gata	1-0	3	1	[3.5]	Ivanchuk, Vassily
4	8	[4.0]	Gelfand, Boris	1-0	4	15	[0.5]	Polgar, Judit
5	9	[5.0]	Grischuk, Alexander	0.1	5	14	[2.5]	Amin, Bassem
6	10	[1.5]	Vaganian, Rafael A	0-1	6	13	[3.5]	Svidler, Peter
7	11	[3.0]	Kazhgaleyev, Murtas	0.5-0.5	7	12	[0.0]	Sasikiran, Krishnan
8	4	[4.0]	Radjabov, Teimour	0.5-0.5	8	16	[4.0]	Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar

Round 8

Board	SNo.		White	Result	Board	SNo.		Black
1	16	[4.5]	Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar	0-1	1	12	[0.5]	Sasikiran, Krishnan
2	13	[4.5]	Svidler, Peter	1-0	2	11	[3.5]	Kazhgaleyev, Murtas
3	14	[3.5]	Amin, Bassem	0-1	3	10	[1.5]	Vaganian, Rafael A
4	15	[0.5]	Polgar, Judit	0-1	4	9	[5.0]	Grischuk, Alexander
5	1	[3.5]	Ivanchuk, Vassily	1-0	5	8	[5.0]	Gelfand, Boris
6	2	[5.5]	Dominguez Perez, Leinier	0.5-0.5	6	7	[3.5]	Kamsky, Gata
7	3	[3.0]	Rublevsky, Sergei	0.5-0.5	7	6	[3.0]	Tkachiev, Vladislav

8	4 [4.5]	Radjabov, Teimour	1-0	8	5 [4.5]	Morozevich, Alexander
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Round 9

Board	SNo.		White	Result	Board	SNo.		Black
1	6	[3.5]	Tkachiev, Vladislav	0-1	1	4	[5.5]	Radjabov, Teimour
2	5	[4.5]	Morozevich, Alexander	1-0	2	16	[4.5]	Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar
3	7	[4.0]	Kamsky, Gata	0-1	3	3	[3.5]	Rublevsky, Sergei
4	8	[5.0]	Gelfand, Boris	0-1	4	2	[6.0]	Dominguez Perez, Leinier
5	9	[6.0]	Grischuk, Alexander	0.1	5	1	[4.5]	Ivanchuk, Vassily
6	10	[2.5]	Vaganian, Rafael A	0-1	6	15	[0.5]	Polgar, Judit
7	11	[3.5]	Kazhgaleyev, Murtas	1-0	7	14	[3.5]	Amin, Bassem
8	12	[1.5]	Sasikiran, Krishnan	0-1	8	13	[5.5]	Svidler, Peter

Round 10

Board	SNo.		White	Result	Board	SNo.		Black
1	14	[3.5]	Amin, Bassem	0.1	1	12	[1.5]	Sasikiran, Krishnan
2	15	[1.5]	Polgar, Judit	0-1	2	11	[4.5]	Kazhgaleyev, Murtas
3	16	[4.5]	Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar	1-0	3	13	[6.5]	Svidler, Peter
4	1	[5.5]	Ivanchuk, Vassily	1-0	4	10	[2.5]	Vaganian, Rafael A
5	2	[7.0]	Dominguez Perez, Leinier	1-0	5	9	[6.0]	Grischuk, Alexander
6	3	[4.5]	Rublevsky, Sergei	0.5-0.5	6	8	[5.0]	Gelfand, Boris
7	4	[6.5]	Radjabov, Teimour	1-0	7	7	[4.0]	Kamsky, Gata
8	5	[5.5]	Morozevich, Alexander	0.-1	8	6	[3.5]	Tkachiev, Vladislav

Round 11

Board	SNo.		White	Result	Board	SNo.		Black
1	7	[4.0]	Kamsky, Gata	1-0	1	5	[5.5]	Morozevich, Alexander
2	8	[5.5]	Gelfand, Boris	0.5-0.5	2	4	[7.5]	Radjabov, Teimour
3	9	[6.0]	Grischuk, Alexander	0.5-0.5	3	3	[5.0]	Rublevsky, Sergei
4	6	[4.5]	Tkachiev, Vladislav	0-1	4	16	[5.5]	Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar
5	10	[2.5]	Vaganian, Rafael A	0.5-0.5	5	2	[8.0]	Dominguez Perez, Leinier
6	11	[5.5]	Kazhgaleyev, Murtas	0-1	6	1	[6.5]	Ivanchuk, Vassily
7	12	[2.5]	Sasikiran, Krishnan	0.5-0.5	7	15	[1.5]	Polgar, Judit
8	13	[6.5]	Svidler, Peter	1-0	8	14	[3.5]	Amin, Bassem

Round 12

Board	SNo.		White	Result	Board	SNo.		Black
1	15	[2.0]	Polgar, Judit	0.5-0.5	1	13	[7.5]	Svidler, Peter
2	1	[7.5]	Ivanchuk, Vassily	1-0	2	12	[3.0]	Sasikiran, Krishnan
3	2	[8.5]	Dominguez Perez, Leinier	1-0	3	11	[5.5]	Kazhgaleyev, Murtas
4	3	[5.5]	Rublevsky, Sergei	0-1	4	10	[3.0]	Vaganian, Rafael A
5	16	[6.5]	Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar	1-0	5	14	[3.5]	Amin, Bassem
6	4	[8.0]	Radjabov, Teimour	0.1	6	9	[6.5]	Grischuk, Alexander
7	5	[5.5]	Morozevich, Alexander	1.0	7	8	[6.0]	Gelfand, Boris

8 6 [4.5] Tkachiev, Vladislav 0.5-0.5 8 7 [5.0] Kamsky, Gata

Round 13

Board	SNo.		White	Result	Board	SNo.		Black
1	8	[6.0]	Gelfand, Boris	0.5-0.5	1	6	[5.0]	Tkachiev, Vladislav
2	9	[7.5]	Grischuk, Alexander	1-0	2	5	[6.5]	Morozevich, Alexander
3	10	[4.0]	Vaganian, Rafael A	1-0	3	4	[8.0]	Radjabov, Teimour
4	11	[5.5]	Kazhgaleyev, Murtas	1-0	4	3	[5.5]	Rublevsky, Sergei
5	7	[5.5]	Kamsky, Gata	1-0	5	16	[7.5]	Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar
6	13	[0.8]	Svidler, Peter	0.5-0.5	6	1	[8.5]	Ivanchuk, Vassily
7	12	[3.0]	Sasikiran, Krishnan	0.5-0.5	7	2	[9.5]	Dominguez Perez, Leinier
8	14	[3.5]	Amin, Bassem	1-0	8	15	[2.5]	Polgar, Judit

Round 14

Board	SNo.		White	Result	Board	SNo.		Black
1	1	[9.0]	Ivanchuk, Vassily	1.0	1	14	[4.5]	Amin, Bassem
2	2	[10.0]	Dominguez Perez, Leinier	0.5-0.5	2	13	[8.5]	Svidler, Peter
3	3	[5.5]	Rublevsky, Sergei	1-0	3	12	[3.5]	Sasikiran, Krishnan
4	4	[8.0]	Radjabov, Teimour	0.5-0.5	4	11	[6.5]	Kazhgaleyev, Murtas
5	5	[6.5]	Morozevich, Alexander	1-0	5	10	[5.0]	Vaganian, Rafael A
6	6	[5.5]	Tkachiev, Vladislav	0.5-0.5	6	9	[8.5]	Grischuk, Alexander
7	16	[7.5]	Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar	1-0	7	15	[2.5]	Polgar, Judit
8	7	[6.5]	Kamsky, Gata	0.5-0.5	8	8	[6.5]	Gelfand, Boris

Round 15

Board	SNo.		White	Result	Board	SNo.		Black
1	9	[9.0]	Grischuk, Alexander	1-0	1	7	[7.0]	Kamsky, Gata
2	10	[5.0]	Vaganian, Rafael A	0.5-0.5	2	6	[6.0]	Tkachiev, Vladislav
3	11	[7.0]	Kazhgaleyev, Murtas	1-0	3	5	[7.5]	Morozevich, Alexander
4	12	[3.5]	Sasikiran, Krishnan	0-1	4	4	[8.5]	Radjabov, Teimour
5	13	[9.0]	Svidler, Peter	1-0	5	3	[6.5]	Rublevsky, Sergei
6	14	[4.5]	Amin, Bassem	0-1	6	2	[10.5]	Dominguez Perez, Leinier
7	15	[2.5]	Polgar, Judit	0-1	7	1	[10.0]	Ivanchuk, Vassily
8	8	[7.0]	Gelfand, Boris	0-1	8	16	[8.5]	Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar

World Blitz Chess Championship

Almaty, Kazakhstan Chess Federation 2008-11-08/2008-11-08

Progress tournament table

SNo.	Title	Name	Fed.	FIDE	Local	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R10	R11	R12	R13	R14	R15	Place
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1	GM	Ivanchuk, Vassily	UKR	2786	2786	0.0	0.5	1.0	2.0	2.5	3.5	3.5	4.5	5.5	6.5	7.5	8.5	9.0	10.0	11.0	2
2	GM	Dominguez Perez, Leinier	CUB	2719	2719	1.0	1.5	2.5	3.0	3.5	4.5	5.5	6.0	7.0	8.0	8.5	9.5	10.0	10.5	11.5	1
3	GM	Rublevsky, Sergei	RUS	2702	2702	0.5	1.5	2.0	2.5	2.5	3.0	3.5	4.5	5.0	5.5	5.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	12
4	GM	Radjabov, Teimour	AZE	2752	2752	0.5	1.5	2.5	2.5	3.0	4.0	4.5	5.5	6.5	7.5	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.5	9.5	6
5	GM	Morozevich, Alexander	RUS	2787	2787	1.0	1.5	2.5	3.5	4.0	4.0	4.5	4.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	6.5	6.5	7.5	7.5	8
6	GM	Tkachiev, Vladislav	FRA	2664	2664	0.5	1.5	2.5	2.5	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.5	3.5	4.5	4.5	5.0	5.5	6.0	6.5	11
7	GM	Kamsky, Gata	USA	2729	2729	0.5	0.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	2.5	3.5	4.0	4.0	4.0	5.0	5.5	6.5	7.0	7.0	9
8	GM	Gelfand, Boris	ISR	2719	2719	0.0	1.0	2.0	3.0	3.0	4.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.5	6.0	6.0	6.5	7.0	7.0	10
9	GM	Grischuk, Alexander	RUS	2719	2719	1.0	2.0	3.0	3.5	4.5	5.0	5.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.5	7.5	8.5	9.0	10.0	4
10	GM	Vaganian, Rafael A	ARM	2590	2590	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	1.5	1.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	3.0	4.0	5.0	5.0	5.5	13
11	GM	Kazhgaleyev, Murtas	KAZ	2640	2640	0.5	1.5	1.5	2.0	3.0	3.0	3.5	3.5	4.5	5.5	5.5	6.5	7.0	8.0	7	
12	GM	Sasikiran, Krishnan	IND	2694	2694	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	1.5	1.5	2.5	3.0	3.0	3.5	3.5	3.5	15
13	GM	Svidler, Peter	RUS	2727	2727	0.5	1.0	1.0	2.0	3.0	3.5	4.5	5.5	6.5	6.5	7.5	8.0	8.5	9.0	10.0	3
14	GM	Amin, Bassem	EGY	2560	2560	0.5	0.5	0.5	1.5	2.5	2.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	14	
15	GM	Polgar, Judit	HUN	2711	2711	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	1.5	1.5	2.0	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	16
16	GM	Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar	AZE	2731	2731	1.0	1.0	1.0	2.0	3.0	4.0	4.5	4.5	4.5	5.5	6.5	7.5	7.5	8.5	9.5	5

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Place	S.No.	Title	Name	Fed.	FIDE	Total	vs+	S.B.	Wins
1	2	GM	Dominguez Perez, Leinier	CUB	2719	11.5	15;16;5;6;8;9;11;14;	82.00	8
2	1	GM	Ivanchuk, Vassily	UKR	2786	11.0	4;6;8;9;10;11;12;14;15;	74.75	9
3	13	GM	Svidler, Peter	RUS	2727	10.0	7;8;10;11;12;14;3;	68.00	7
4	9	GM	Grischuk, Alexander	RUS	2719	10.0	8;16;10;12;15;4;5;7;	67.50	8
5	16	GM	Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar	AZE	2731	9.5	1;10;3;11;13;6;14;15;8;	66.25	9
6	4	GM	Radjabov, Teimour	AZE	2752	9.5	14;15;3;5;6;7;12;	61.00	7
7	11	GM	Kazhgaleyev, Murtas	KAZ	2640	8.0	7;10;14;15;3;5;	48.25	6
8	5	GM	Morozevich, Alexander	RUS	2787	7.5	12;14;15;16;8;10;	46.25	6
9	7	GM	Kamsky, Gata	USA	2729	7.0	12;15;1;5;16;	49.25	5
10	8	GM	Gelfand, Boris	ISR	2719	7.0	10;11;12;14;15;	38.75	5
11	6	GM	Tkachiev, Vladislav	FRA	2664	6.5	12;13;5;	44.25	3
12	3	GM	Rublevsky, Sergei	RUS	2702	6.5	15;7;12;	42.00	3
13	10	GM	Vaganian, Rafael A	ARM	2590	5.5	12;14;3;4;	36.50	4
14	14	GM	Amin, Bassem	EGY	2560	4.5	6;7;9;15;	29.25	4
15	12	GM	Sasikiran, Krishnan	IND	2694	3.5	16;14;	25.00	2
16	15	GM	Polgar, Judit	HUN	2711	2.5	10;	15.50	1

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Final cross table after round 15

No.	Title	Name	Fed.	FIDE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	Total	vs+	S.B.
1	GM	<u>Dominguez Perez, Leinier</u>	CUB	2719	X	=	1	1	=	1	1	=	1	1	=	=	1	=	1	=	11.5	15;16;5;6;8;9;11;14;	82.00
2	GM	<u>Ivanchuk, Vassily</u>	UKR	2786	=	X	=	1	0	1	1	=	0	1	1	=	1	1	1	1	11.0	4;6;8;9;10;11;12;14;15;	74.75
3	GM	<u>Svidler, Peter</u>	RUS	2727	=	=	X	=	0	=	1	=	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	=	10.0	7;8;10;11;12;14;3;	68.00
4	GM	<u>Grischuk, Alexander</u>	RUS	2719	0	0	=	X	1	1	=	1	1	1	=	=	1	0	1	1	10.0	8;16;10;12;15;4;5;7;	67.50
5	GM	<u>Mamedyarov, Shakhriyar</u>	AZE	2731	0	1	1	0	X	=	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	9.5	1;10;3;11;13;6;14;15;8;	66.25
6	GM	<u>Radjabov, Teimour</u>	AZE	2752	=	0	=	0	=	X	=	1	1	=	1	1	0	1	1	1	9.5	14;15;3;5;6;7;12;	61.00
7	GM	<u>Kazhgaleyev, Murtas</u>	KAZ	2640	0	0	0	=	0	=	X	1	1	0	=	1	1	1	=	1	8.0	7;10;14;15;3;5;	48.25
8	GM	<u>Morozevich, Alexander</u>	RUS	2787	0	=	=	0	1	0	0	X	0	1	0	=	1	1	1	1	7.5	12;14;15;16;8;10;	46.25
9	GM	<u>Kamsky, Gata</u>	USA	2729	=	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	X	=	=	0	=	0	1	1	7.0	12;15;1;5;16;	49.25

10	GM	<u>Gelfand, Boris</u>	ISR	2719	0	0	0	0	0	0	=	1	0	=	■	=	=	1	1	1	1	7.0	10;11;12;14;15;	38.75
11	GM	<u>Tkachiev, Vladislav</u>	FRA	2664	0	0	1	=	0	0	=	1	=	=	■	=	=	0	1	=	6.5	12;13;5;	44.25	
12	GM	<u>Rublevsky, Sergei</u>	RUS	2702	=	=	0	=	0	0	0	=	1	=	=	■	0	=	1	1	6.5	15;7;12;	42.00	
13	GM	<u>Vaganian, Rafael A</u>	ARM	2590	=	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	=	0	=	1	■	1	1	0	5.5	12;14;3;4;	36.50	
14	GM	<u>Amin, Bassem</u>	EGY	2560	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	=	0	■	0	1	4.5	6;7;9;15;	29.25	
15	GM	<u>Sasikiran, Krishnan</u>	IND	2694	=	0	0	0	1	0	=	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	■	=	3.5	16;14;	25.00	
16	GM	<u>Polgar, Judit</u>	HUN	2711	0	0	=	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	=	0	1	0	=	■	2.5	10;	15.50

8. Photography and Television

Only photographers and camera crew expressly authorized by the Administrator could worked in the playing venue. The flash could only be used during the first two minutes of the first round.

9. Organization

I wish to admit the very good standard of the event's organization. Accommodation of players was in the Altai Sanatorium.

The conditions of play were excellent. Players arrived punctually for all games and their conduct of behaviour was excellent during the games. All participants played fair in the best meaning of the word.

The spectators followed the games easily on very big electronic boards. The special, very modern system of demonstration allowed all spectators (the full hall) to follow all blitz games.

10. Thanks

I wish to use this opportunity to say to Organizers simply thank you. I would like to thank very much to Mr. Margulan Seisembaev President of the Kazakhstan Chess Federation, to Ms. Aliya Sagingalieva and to GM Bolat Asanov. They prepared all in the best way and created very good conditions to run the Word Blitz Championship.

I wish to extent thanks to all Arbiter, my good friends. They helped me very much. They followed games full time and thanks to their work we had no one conflict during this Championship.

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