

Brazil

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shock victory over pre-tournament favorites Brazil. Substitute Siyabonga Nomvete rose to power the 'Bafana Bafana' ahead in the 74th minute from fellow replacement Steve Lekolela's cross.

And Lekolela sealed victory two minutes from time, rolling the ball into an empty net after Brazilian goalkeeper Dilton could only parry a shot from Daniel Matsau - another substitute.

The result means both sides have three points from two games but South Africa have an easier-looking final fixture against Slovakia, who have lost both of their matches so far.

The game exploded into life when Manchester United midfielder Quinton Fortune curled a free-kick into the top corner in the ninth minute to put the South Africans ahead.

From the resultant kick-off Brazil surged down the left and Edu's downward header from a pin-point Fabio Aurelio cross leveled the score up.

Brazil dominated the game either side of half-time but could not find the net and were punished in the end.

CHILE - 3; SPAIN - 1

Chile moved to the top of group B with a polished performance in Melbourne.

Goals from Rafael Olarra and Reinaldo Navia put them two up against Spain before Laceruz halved the deficit.

But Navia's second in the last minute made the game safe.

S KOREA - 1;
MOROCCO - 0

In the other game Chun-Soo Lee's second goal was enough to give South Korea victory over Morocco.

The South Koreans are level with Spain on three points but have to face the impressive Chileans in their final group match.

Ban-inflicting

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countries to work with weightlifting in the fight to eradicate drugs. We need to educate the modern athlete to the huge dangers of using drugs."

Ajan revealed that Romanian weightlifters Traian Ciharean and Adrian Mateas were unmasked as drug takers by a mass doping exercise carried out by the IWF in the lead up to the Sydney Olympics.

"All 257 competitors at the Sydney Olympics were tested by us before the competition, mostly during training in Sydney. We are the only federation to test all our Olympic participants," said Ajan who has led weightlifting's fight against drug which darkened the sport's image in the 1970s and 1980s.

We also did this before Barcelona (in 1992) and Atlanta (in 1996). We have a very strict anti doping policy."

Ajan said that Ciharean and Mateas had tested positive for the anabolic steroid Nandrolone while training in Sydney. The samples were tested at the IWF-approved laboratory in Sydney.

Under an IWF rule the whole Romanian team, consisting of another three male lifters and one female, were kicked out of the Olympics as a third lifter Marian Popita had tested positive earlier in the year.

"If there are three positive cases from one country within a year, the National Federation is suspended from international participation for the period of one year," he said.

The Romanian Olympic Committee had the option to pay a 50,000 dollar fine to free its weightlifters, who passed the drug tests, to compete in the Olympics, he revealed.

"It is a huge sum and if paid would go towards our anti-doping costs which run to 500,000 dollars a year," he said. "As far as I know the Romanians will not be paying. We will be happy if they do not - we will be happy if the Romanian (weightlifters) go home."

Anecdotes

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to try and carry on as if he's still here." — IOC Vice-President Dick Pound after IOC Chief Juan Antonio Samaranch had left Australia following his wife's death.

"Leeds United have been selfish and shown us no respect, so why should I show them any now." — Australian coach Raul Blanco on Leeds request for the player's release after Australia were eliminated from the tournament.

"Athletes has been my life since I was 14. After the world championships in Edmonton next year I want to rest and have a baby. If it's a girl she will probably be extroverted like Gianni. If it's a boy I imagine she will be quiet like me." — Italian long-jump gold medal hope Flora May.



IF LOOKS COULD KILL! Referee Nicole Petigan (R) looks menacingly at Chinese goalkeeper Ouying Zhang (L) who is arguing after a penalty was awarded to the USA during their Olympic Preliminary women's soccer match in Melbourne yesterday. The game finished 1-1

-Internet photo

Sun, Gao to China's rescue



now destined for an early flight home.

CHINA - 1, USA - 1

The US-China clash - a rerun of last year's World Cup final, which the Americans won in a penalty shootout - turned out on a dramatic ten minute period in the middle of the second half.

First Sun struck a superb David Beckham-style freekick from more than 30 yards curling round the American wall and into the top corner of the net to put the Chinese back on level terms.

The Americans hit back hard and they should have restored their lead ten minutes later when Swiss referee Nicole Petignat awarded a controversial penalty for handball by Chinese defender Fan Yunjie. The Chinese players surrounded the official, protesting in vain that the foul had been unintentional.

But midfielder Kristine Lilly's spotkick was hit too close to Gao, who followed up by throwing herself at Cindy Parlow's feet to block the rebound.

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