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SHOWERS OF PASSION: A Portuguese supporter shows her patriotism in pouring rain at Jeonju yesterday.

## Korea smile with Ahn

REUTERS, Daegu

South Korea, riding a wave of patriotic support, failed to convert a penalty but equalised 11 minutes from time through substitute Ahn Jung-hwan to draw 1-1 with the United States in the World Cup on Monday.

Ahn, a heartthrob among Korean fans, glanced home a header from a free kick on the left to save the blushes of Lee Eul-yong, whose 40th-minute spot kick was brilliantly saved by in-form U.S. goalkeeper Brad Friedel, who dived to his right to block.

Clint Mathis, brought into the American team to add striking power, had put the U.S. ahead in the 24th minute after a superb John O'Brien pass sliced through the Korean defence.

But the World Cup co-hosts deserved their point after dominating the second half, forcing Friedel to make several fine saves. In the dying seconds, substitute Choi Yong-soo blazed over the top with an open goal at his mercy.

South Korea lead group D on goal difference from the United States with both on four points. Poland and Portugal, both without points, meet later on Monday.

South Korea coach Guus Hiddink praised the way his team played, but was disappointed to only get a point. "A draw is not really enough but it's a tournament so we have to stick to that. I am happy with the way the players performed."

"I think we deserved to win 3-1 or 4-1 because we created such beautiful chances. But we were unlucky in

(not) making the 100 percent chances," he said.

"The goalie (Friedel) was tremendous but from five to six open chances we must score at least one."

U.S. coach Bruce Arena agreed with Hiddink's praise for Friedel but also paid tribute to Korea's fitness.

"Clearly, Friedel was the man of the match. There was a penalty, a call that we didn't quite see, but he came up with a big save. And he made lots of others."

"This was a big day for the people in Korea. In front of 68,000 people, under those (stifling) conditions that was a good result for our team. I'm going to take it and get out of town."

"To have four points is a good

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## SENEGAL VS URUGUAY

### Waiting a riveting war

REUTERS, Suwon

The flag bearers of African football at these finals will nail down a place in the last 16 of their first World Cup if Senegal can win at least one point from Uruguay on Tuesday.

Senegal have already upset the group A form book with a win over France and proved their steel with a 1-1 draw with Denmark. They have four points from two games and are second in the group to Denmark on goal difference.

For Uruguayan coach Victor Pua, the discipline of Senegal's France-based squad is of primary concern as his team seeks the win they need to retain a chance of qualification.

"They have learned a lot in Europe as nearly all their players are

based in France, but at the same time they have the speed and physical strength of the Africans," Pua said. "They are a very strong side."

Uruguay have only one point from their two games and are third above France on goal difference.

Apart from the continued injury to midfielder Fabian O'Neill, Uruguay are at full strength.

Senegal, however, will be without midfielder Salif Dia, who scored their only goal against Denmark but was sent off 10 minutes from time for a nasty challenge.

Replacing Dia in the centre of the pitch will be hard. Dia is a stern tackler and ball-winner who can switch easily to attack.

Coach Bruno Metsu brought on defender Habib Beye to fill the gap left by Dia against Denmark but may want a new option for Uruguay.

Metsu will also be hoping that sweeper and captain Aliou Cisse has recovered from a calf muscle injury that kept him off the field against Denmark.

Pua, in search of goals, says Uruguay will have to learn to put away the chances created by attacking midfielders such as Alvaro Recoba if they want to stay in the tournament.

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PHOTO: AFP

THE MESSAGE IS CLEAR: Two US fans display a 'peace and harmony' message from the stands at Daegu yesterday during the USA-South Korea match.

## Fixed results revisited

REUTERS, Incheon

When the four teams in group A start their final first-round matches on Tuesday they will be playing under the simultaneous kick-off rule introduced in 1986 after a shady history of contrived World Cup results.

Champions France, Senegal, who beat them in the opening game of the tournament, Denmark and Uruguay are all still in the running for first or second spot and a ticket to

the second round.

But as Algeria found to their cost 20 years ago at the World Cup in Spain, what happens in one game can have a big impact on the other. Back then the advantage of knowing in advance what had to be achieved, or avoided, was the key to qualifying strategy. In one of the most notorious matches in World Cup history, West Germany and Austria contrived a result that sent both teams through at Algeria's expense in

1982.

Algeria had caused a major upset by beating West Germany 2-1 in their opening game, before losing 2-0 to Austria in their second.

All three sides beat Chile and with two points for a win in those days, it left Algeria and Austria on four and the Germans on two with the game against their neighbours to come in Gijon.

Striker Horst Hrubesch scored after 10 minutes and for the remaining 80 the teams barely crossed into their opponents' half, knocking the ball sideways, backwards but rarely forwards in a ridiculous parody of a competitive game.

As the farce progressed, the fans showed their feelings with boos, cat-calls, chants of "Algeria" and the traditional Spanish crowd's symbol of derision, the waving of handkerchiefs.

The two teams carried on regardless and Germany won 1-0 to top the group on goal difference, ahead of Austria and knocking a furious Algeria out of the competition.

The African nation protested to FIFA, to no avail, though the world governing body did change the rules for subsequent competitions.

Michel Hidalgo, coach of France in 1982, suggested both West Germany and Austria should be given the Nobel Peace Prize.

Current FIFA president Sepp Blatter last month described the match as his worst moment in more than 50 years of World Cup memories.

The incident caused so much anger because the players made absolutely no attempt to disguise their intentions but, although it was a rare example of both teams benefiting by a contrived result, it was by no means the first example in the World Cup.

Four years earlier, host nation Argentina went into their final game of what was then the second group stage needing to beat Peru by four goals to pip Brazil for a place in the final.

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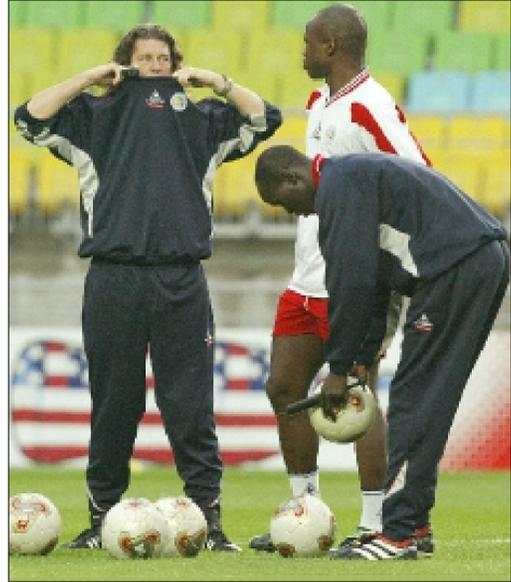


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IT'S HOT OUT HERE! Senegal coach Bruno Metsu (L), taking off his track-suit top during a practice session at Suwon yesterday.

## TVangle

SHAYAN KHAN

The smaller teams have been by and large playing some pretty good football in Korea and Japan. Mexico in particular have been quite impressive. They are in a good position to make it through to the next round after their win today. Ecuador showed enough adventure against Italy to suggest they could trouble some weaker sides, and they got off to a very good start.

The CONCACAF teams are certainly having a good time at the World Cup. None of them have lost as yet, and their smallest member, Costa Rica could possibly claim to have been the better side against the Turkey, because they certainly created the more dangerous of the chances in a fast paced game. We had to wait till the 56th minute for a

goal however, when Emre scored a scrappy one from close range. It was amazing to see the time he was allowed on the ball though. That opened up the game even more. Both sides were attacking, the Costa Ricans in particular. However, it seemed their efforts would bear no fruit. That changed in the 86th minute. Wanchopo won a towering header in the Turkish box, and the ball fell kindly to Parks, who lashed it home. The game was tied, and finished in a flurry, with both sides having chances to win it.

Japan's defence was in disarray against Belgium, but against a Russian team containing some very good players, they looked solid. The game started off very slowly, and the

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PHOTO: AFP

LOCKED IN SPACE! Khaled Badra, the Tunisian defender, trying to execute an overhead kick during the match with Belgium at Oita yesterday.

## Round 5, Draw in Chittagong on June 21

(Competition information, prizes and rules on June 7 issue)

The Daily Star RANGS TOSHIBA World Cup Quiz, Round 5 Ends June 20, 2002

Tick (Ö) the correct answers

- Record of most World Cup finals appearances goes to Joff  Matthaus  Milla
- Only country to play in every World Cup Argentina  Brazil  Germany
- Middle name of Diego Maradona is Alberto  Armando  Admundo
- Which WC final was decided in penalty shoot-out 1998  1994  1990
- Who is this?  Figo  Raul  Batistuta

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