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## 'Best team lost'

REUTERS, Prague

Chelsea coach Jose Mourinho said the better team lost the UEFA Super Cup on Friday and he bemoaned his bad luck for playing another big match with 10 men following his team's shootout defeat by Bayern Munich.

The German side gained revenge for their 2012 Champions League final defeat by Chelsea when they beat the Premier League club 5-4 on penalties after a thrilling match ended 2-2 at the end of extra-time.

Bayern dominated possession and had a slew of chances after Chelsea were reduced to 10 men following Brazil midfielder Ramires's sending-off in the 85th minute for a second bookable offence.

"I'm disappointed because in my opinion, and I can have an opinion, I won't be punished by my opinion, is that the best team lost," Mourinho told reporters. "That is what happens sometimes in football."

The Portuguese coach also questioned the length of added time but saved most of his fire for the yellow card, suggesting that a referee in England would not have done the same.

He then ticked off a list of big matches his teams have played with only 10 men, including games against Barcelona and a Champions League final when he was coach at Inter Milan.

"There is a very important rule, and that is the passion for football," he said. "And if you are in love with football, you don't kill a final with the second yellow card like this."

"This with English referees, with people who love the game, with people who love to communicate with the players, with people who love to coach the players, this with a good English referee, (he) stops the game, he tells Ramires 'you did not hurt anybody, but you could', tells the Munich players 'don't dive, don't provoke, play a fair game', and the game would be level 11 against 11."

Mourinho said it was not a new situation for him.

"I was in Chelsea and I played two or three times with 10 men against Barcelona. I came to Inter and I played Champions League semi-final for one hour with 10 men against Barcelona," he said.

"I go to Real Madrid, I play again ChL semi final with ten men. I come back to Chelsea, I play s Super Cup final with ten men again and go analyse the actions and take your conclusion. I'm unlucky, I'm just that."

Bayern coach Pep Guardiola gave a different account of the game and declined to comment on the red card.

"The best team won today," he said. "We had huge opportunities to score because we were very good on the attacking front."

"It is normal, he can say his team deserved better than what happened. I too have my opinion."



Bayern Munich players celebrate with the UEFA Super Cup trophy after overcoming Chelsea on penalties in the final at the Eden Stadium in Prague on Friday.

PHOTO: AFP

## Spurs capture Eriksen

REUTERS, London

Tottenham Hotspur have agreed a deal to sign Ajax Amsterdam's Denmark international Christian Eriksen, the Premier League club said on Friday.

Eriksen, a crafty playmaker who has been capped 37 times for his country, becomes the latest attacking addition to the north London club's burgeoning ranks.

The 21-year-old will be Tottenham's seventh transfer window acquisition and with media reports putting the fee in the region of 12 million pounds (\$18.6 million), the move is likely to take the club's spending to over 100 million.

"We are delighted to announce that we have reached agreement with Ajax for the transfer of Christian Eriksen," Spurs said on their website.

Eriksen joined Ajax in 2008 from Denmark's OB Odense and played 161 games for the club, scoring 33 goals.

He won three Dutch championships between 2011 and 2013 and was named Dutch Football Talent of the Year in 2011.

## Jose gives up Rooney chase

AFP, London



Chelsea manager Jose Mourinho says he has abandoned his attempts to prise England striker Wayne Rooney from Premier League rivals Manchester United.

Chelsea have had two bids for the 27-year-old rejected by United and after Monday's 0-0 draw between the sides, Mourinho said he would only wait "48 hours" for Rooney to make a decision on his future.

However, speaking after Chelsea's penalty shootout defeat by Bayern Munich in the European Super Cup in Prague on Friday, Mourinho admitted that Rooney would not be arriving at Stamford Bridge.

"For all parties, it's finished," he told Sky Sports. "One thing is to tell you through other people that you want, you want, you want very much, but at the end of the day..."

"I feel everyone has the right to show his life, his future, and I respect that."

Cameroon striker Samuel Eto'o joined Chelsea on a one-year contract on Thursday and Mourinho said the former Barcelona and Inter Milan player would be his last new signing of the close season.

"It's the end. We have a good group," said the Portuguese. Meanwhile, United manager David Moyes has challenged Rooney to put an unsettled close season behind him and focus on becoming an Old Trafford great.

Rooney is 52 goals behind Bobby Charlton's United scoring record of 249 and Moyes believes there is no reason why he cannot surpass that milestone.

"I'm really keen on getting him focused and on the goal sheet," said Moyes, whose side visit Liverpool on Sunday.

"There is a situation with Wayne where he could go on to emulate some of the greats at United with the goals he can score."

## Hales levels it for Eng

STAR SPORT DESK

England opener Alex Hales hit a quickfire 94 to help England level the two-match T20I series against Australia with a 27-run win in the second match at Chester-le-Street yesterday.

After being sent in to bat Hales and Matthew Lumb plundered 111 runs in only 11.2 overs, setting up the formidable total of 194 for five. Hales hit 11 fours and two sixes in his 61-ball 94. Leg-spinner Fawad Ahmed, with three wickets, was the only Australian to escape punishment.

Aaron Finch could not reprise his heroics in the first T20I, and it was left to David Warner to put up a challenge, but his 42-ball 53 was not enough as Australia ended their chase on 168 for nine.

**SCORES IN BRIEF**  
**ENGLAND:** 195 for 5 (Hales 94, Lumb 43; Ahmed 3-25, Faulkner 2-37) **AUSTRALIA:** 168-9, 20 overs (D Warner 53, Maxwell 27, Bailey 23; Dernbach 3-23, Briggs 2-25) **Result:** England won by 27 runs and level two-match series 1-1. **Man-of-the-match:** Alex Hales

## Drama in Prague

Bayern stun Chelsea to win Super Cup

AFP, Prague



Bayern Munich avenged their 2012 Champions League final defeat with a 5-4 penalty shoot-out win over ten-man Chelsea after Friday's UEFA Super Cup final finished 2-2 after extra-time.

Bayern's Javi Martinez produced a dramatic 121st-minute equaliser to take the game to penalties and when Chelsea replacement Romelu Lukaku missed the 10th spot-kick after the previous successful nine, the Bavarians lifted the cup at the fourth attempt.

Spain's Fernando Torres' early strike had been cancelled out by Franck Ribery's second-half thunderbolt while Chelsea's Ramires was dismissed in the 85th minute as it finished 1-1 after 90 minutes at Prague's Eden Arena.

Chelsea Belgian left winger Eden Hazard looked to have hit an extra-time winner for Jose Mourinho's Europa League winners, but Pep Guardiola-coached Bayern bombarded the Blues' goal in the dying stages before Martinez struck before the final whistle.

Victory was especially sweet for Guardiola, who took charge of Bayern in June, following 14 titles in four years at Barcelona, against his former La Liga rival, Mourinho, back in his second

stint at Chelsea having left Real Madrid the same month.

Bayern's Germany star Bastian Schweinsteiger was missing with sprained ankle ligaments, while Ribery -- who was named European player of the year in Monaco on Thursday -- started on the left wing.

Guardiola moved Germany captain Philipp Lahm from right-back to fill Schweinsteiger's defensive midfield role for the first-half, before Martinez took over in the second half with Lahm dropping back onto the flank.

Mourinho started Brazil centre-back David Luiz, despite the Brazilian's recent hamstring injury with Spain's Juan Mata amongst the substitutes.

Despite Bayern dominating possession, Chelsea went ahead after eight minutes when Germany winger Andre Schuerle's cross was volleyed into the top right corner by Torres.

In the build-up, Guardiola dubbed Mourinho "the master of quick counter-attacks" and Chelsea proved his point as Branislav Ivanovic's throw-on was swept downfield by Hazard to Schuerle, then Torres as the Blues covered 80 metres in 13 seconds.

Both sides had first-half chances as Torres fired wide, while at the other end Ribery forced Chelsea goalkeeper Petr Cech into a diving save with 22 minutes gone, then Thomas Mueller

hit the side netting as it finished 1-1 at the break.

Bayern drew level on 47 minutes when Ribery's right-footed shot rifled past the diving Cech, leading to the Frenchman sprinting into Guardiola's arms and planting a kiss on the Spaniard's forehead.

Dante gifted Chelsea a golden chance to take the lead on 64 minutes when the Bayern centre-back's slip allowed Oscar's shot, which was saved by Manuel Neuer, before Frank Lampard fired over.

Neuer could only palm Ivanovic's header off the crossbar on 78 minutes and then got down to deny Luiz's header five minutes from time, just before Chelsea midfielder Ramires was dismissed for a second yellow for a foul on Bayern sub Mario Goetze.

When the game went into extra-time, Hazard gave Chelsea the lead when he cut inside two players from the left and fired underneath Neuer.

Bayern turned up the pressure Martinez and Marco Mandzukic forcing Cech into diving saves from headers in the second-half of extra-time while Ribery's late free-kick was palmed around the post.

The game took an incredible twist as the death when the ball broke off Dante for Martinez to stab home to settle the final on penalties.

## Pakistan lift series

AFP, Harare



Captain Misbahul Haq scored a steady half-century and effected two crucial run-outs as Pakistan clinched the one-day series against Zimbabwe with a sizeable win in Saturday's third and final match.

Misbah's 67 proved to be the top score in the game as Pakistan posted a total of 260 for six, before bowling Zimbabwe out in 40 overs to win by 108 runs and complete a 2-1 series victory.

The series decider had been cast into doubt after Zimbabwe's players threatened to boycott the match over unpaid salaries and match fees, but the home side took the field after setting a new ultimatum for the first Test on Tuesday.

For a side with off-field distractions, the Zimbabweans started surprisingly well in the field after Brendan Taylor had won the toss and asked Pakistan to bat on a slow surface.

The tourists made a circumspect start with openers Ahmed Shehzad and Nasir Jamshed putting on 66 for the first wicket at a sluggish pace, and the innings became stilted when Jamshed departed and Mohammad Hafeez was forced to retire hurt soon after.

Although Misbah at one stage appeared overly cautious in scoring just 16 from his first 45 deliveries, the tactic was vindicated as the stability it provided allowed Pakistan to score 120 in the final 13 overs.

While Shehzad contributed 54, Umar Amin was crucial in adding momentum to

the innings as he struck a brisk 33, while Sarfraz Ahmed and the returning Hafeez also weighed in during a late flurry that lifted Pakistan to a solid score.

Zimbabwe's reply never really got going, and was hampered by run-outs to key batsmen.

Captain Brendan Taylor made a promising 26 before Misbah's direct hit accounted for his opposite number, while Sean Williams was also dismissed by the Pakistani skipper.

After Zimbabwe had collapsed to 87 for six in the 23rd over, Malcolm Waller and Prosper Utseya put on 58 for the next wicket before the latter was run out in a mix-up.

Waller was the last man out for 48 when he got a leading edge off the bowling of Saeed Ajmal, as Zimbabwe were bowled out for 152.

"We were definitely up for it today and we restricted them to a total that we felt comfortable chasing, but there was maybe a bit of panic there when it was time to chase it down," Taylor said.

**SCORES IN BRIEF**  
**PAKISTAN:** 260 for 6 in 50 overs (Misbah 67, Shehzad 54, Jamshed 38, Amin 33; Chatara 3-48, H Masakadza 1-9) **ZIMBABWE:** 152 all out in 40 overs (Waller 48, Taylor 26, H Masakadza 25, Utseya 23; Ajmal 2-15, Rehman 2-23, Hafeez 2-40) **Result:** Pakistan won by 108 runs and clinched the 3-ODI series 2-1. **Player-of-the-match:** Misbahul Haq. **Player-of-the-series:** Mohammad Hafeez.



Manchester City midfielder Yaya Toure jumps for joy after scoring the second goal against Hull City during their Premier League clash at the Etihad Stadium yesterday.

PHOTO: REUTERS

## City edge past Hull

REUTERS, London



Alvaro Negredo came off the bench to score for the second successive game as Manchester City edged to a 2-0 win at home to promoted Hull City in the Premier League on Saturday.

With memories of last weekend's 3-2 defeat to another promoted outfit Cardiff City still fresh, City again looked edgy in defence and lacking inspiration in attack before Negredo found the net.

The Spaniard was brought on at halftime and 20 minutes later brought relief to the home fans inside the Etihad Stadium when he clinically headed home a Pablo Zabaleta cross from the right.

Yaya Toure added an undesired gloss to the scoreline with a fantastic curling freekick from 20 metres in the 90th minute to give City six points from their opening three games, three more than Saturday's opponents.

City's performance, however, suggests there are still creases to iron out for Manuel Pellegrini's side.

City would have hoped that their defensive shortcomings, ruthlessly exposed by Cardiff last weekend, would have been alleviated by the return from injury of Matija Nastasic at centre back.

Yet the uncertainty at the heart of their back four, still shorn of injured captain Vincent Kompany's steadying influence, was exposed within seven minutes.

Sone Aluko needed the faintest of side-

steps to bypass Joleon Lescott, Kompany's stand-in, to open up an acre of space in front of him, but after bearing down on Hart, he scuffed his shot and it trickled past the post.

Lescott had a header tipped over by Hull keeper Allan McGregor but apart from that the home team's play lacked adventure.

Negredo was brought on as a substitute for the third successive game at the interval and should have found the net two minutes later, but mis-timed a header and sent it well wide of goal.

With City looking clean-out of inspiration, the Spaniard made amends midway through the second half.

The former Sevilla striker showed the penalty area instincts that persuaded City to spend 20 million pounds (\$30.94 million) in the close season, when he got on the end of a fantastic cross from Zabaleta and headed down into the net.

The goal-glut that City fans may have expected to follow did not materialise and in the end it was more a question of whether the hosts would hold on than extend their fragile advantage until Toure finished the game off.

With a similar finish to his effort against Newcastle United in their opening match, he curled the ball into the top corner, leaving the keeper stranded.

City go second in the table behind Chelsea, who were in European Super Cup action on Friday.

Third placed Liverpool take on Manchester United at Anfield on Sunday and fourth placed Tottenham Hotspur travel to Arsenal in the North London derby.