

Men`s Qualifying Tournament for XXVIII Olympic Games, Madrid

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Start Time: 12:00

2 BEL

Jean-Philippe Brule (PC)	23:22
Mike Dewever (FG)	49:14

2 CAN

Sean Campbell (FG)	28:35
Rob Short (PS)	30:54

Full Time - BEL 2 CAN 2**Time** | Commentary

- 70:01** Full time: A frustrating game of hockey for BEL who had large periods of field dominance but unable to create chances. CAN defended very well, and will also feel that they could have won the match. PC count: BEL 5 CAN 3.
- 70:00** The post-siren corner is taken and the BEL defenders deflect the shot out of the circle and the game ends in a 2-2 draw.
- 69:49** CAN earn their 3rd corner on the siren from a BEL foot.
- 66:29** CAN now in sustained attack for the first time in the half.
- 65:15** **Incident**
Yellow card to BEL. Loic Vanderwhghe for a poor tackle in the CAN midfield.
- 63:38** The low flick goes wide. CAN rebound into attack.
- 63:06** BEL earn their 5th corner for the game from a CAN foot. Trouble here for CAN.
- 59:04** BEL applying significant pressure now on the CAN defence. CAN not able to breek out of the BEL press for the last 4 mins.
- 55:54** An even game now with both teams with time in attack although BEL with better field position.
- 49:14** **Goal**
Dewever scores the equaliser for BEL after a fast left side attack.
- 45:14** Mahood easily saves the BEL flick and CAN are able to regain possession.
- 44:43** BEL earn their 4th corner from a CAN foot.
- 43:18** The variation to the left post is deflected into the side of the net. A close break for BEL.
- 42:28** Peter Short earns can the 1st corner for the half and their 2nd for the game from a BEL foot.
- 41:26** The first 5 mins of the second half has been an even affair. BEL with more time in their attacking half than CAN, although CAN untroubled in deep defence.
- 33:39** CAN looking a different team in the last 10 mins with crisp passing and hard work in the midfield paying off in attack. They are finding holes in the BEL defence in which to penetrate their circle.
- 30:54** **Goal**
CAN captain Rob Short flicks high right to put CAN ahead 2-1.
- 30:49** **Incident**
Penalty stroke to CAN. A CAN forward is brought down in the circle on a breakaway and CAN earn a stroke. BEL players unhappy.
- 28:35** **Goal**
Campbell scores for CAN after a free hit outside the circle from the right falls for him in space. He hits the ball past Degreve (BEL GK) from close range.
- 26:36** The game being played in the middle of the field since the BEL goal. Both CAN and BEL defences are playing higher and the midfield is quite crowded.
- 23:22** **Goal**
Brule slicks low past Mahood to put BEL ahead.
- 22:30** BEL push into attack down the right and they earn their 3rd corner.
- 19:39** CAN seem to have weathered the storm and have the ball in their attacking half for the first time in 15 mins. Neither GK has had to save a field goal shot yet in the match.
- 16:13** BEL on the attack for the last 12 mins. CAN having to work very hard in defence just to keep out the BEL attacking waves. CAN have actually done quite well to hold BEL to 2 corners.
- 14:11** The variation left goes very wrong for BEL and CAN pick up a free ball.
- 13:38** BEL earn their 2nd corner for the game from a CAN stick check. CAN defenders not happy with the decision.
- 10:34** Mahood (CAN GK) saves the first strike from BEL and then Coudron misses the rebound shot for BEL over the crossbar. Lucky escape for CAN.
- 09:17** Houssein earns BEL their 1st corner, finding a CAN foot in the circle.
- 07:36** BEL attack starting to gain momentum with striker Houssein beginning to look dangerous high in attack.
- 05:21** BEL on the attack for the last 2 mins. CAN defence holding steady and seem untroubled.
- 03:18** BEL manage to save the low flick on the line and they rebound into attack.
- 02:43** CAN earn their 1st corner for the match from a BEL foot after a free hit from the top of the circle.

01:26 | The warmest day of the tournament to date with 16C and a strong BEL fan base in the stands. Both teams must win to try and stay in the race for an Athens berth so much is on the line for these teams today.