

**Women`s Qualifying Tournament for XXVIII Olympic Games, Auckland**

FIH (www.worldhockey.org) LIVE COMMENTARY: Game 3: ESP v KOR

19 March 2004

Start Time: 14:30

**1 ESP**

Lucia Lopez (PC)

24:37

**0 KOR****Final Score - ESP 1 KOR 0**

Time	Commentary
<b>70:00</b>	<b>Incident</b> Full time. A close match and one KOR will be unhappy with given their chances. ESP with limited chances yet winning 1-0. PC count: ESP 4 KOR 5. Field shots: ESP 1 KOR 14.
<b>69:17</b>	Time the enemy now for KOR as they continue to pressure the ESP defence. Missed opportunities have cost KOR dearly.
<b>67:18</b>	ESP have weathered a KOR storm for the last 10 mins and they push into attack, trying to slow the game down.
<b>65:19</b>	Rosa (ESP GK) makes a game winning save from close range. She dived to her left to save the shot from 1m away by KOR.
<b>64:35</b>	Again KOR miss another prime chance to score after the ball just misses the right post.
<b>63:12</b>	ESP occasionally pushing into attack. At the turnover KOR are then counterattacking with great speed and using their 2 high strikers. KOR look like scoring any minute now.
<b>61:12</b>	KOR playing 2 players high in attack at all times. ESP working very hard with 11 in deep defence.
<b>60:01</b>	JS Park (KOR) shoots from the top of the circle on her reverse which goes wide right.
<b>58:17</b>	KOR still looking dangerous. They have been very positive in attack for the the last 12 mins and have missed at least 3 good chances to score. ESP working hard to push them back.
<b>55:55</b>	The variation left just misses the right post. A very close shave for ESP.
<b>54:58</b>	KOR earn their 1st corner for the half and 5th for the game from an obstruction by the GK. KOR unlucky not to have a penalty stroke awarded.
<b>52:29</b>	End to end hockey now as ESP and KOR both have chances in their circle. The midfield is open and both teams are using the space to their advantage.
<b>49:11</b>	<b>Incident</b> Yellow card to KOR. SM Han sent off for a tough tackle as ESP were coming out of defence.
<b>48:50</b>	KOR have all the running now with another scoring chance well saved by Rosa (ESP GK).
<b>46:25</b>	KOR have a 3 on 1 after a halfway intercept. The final pass is deflected at the goal and goes just wide. Their first real chance of the half.
<b>42:11</b>	KOR struggling to build any momentum with the tight ESP defence not allowing any space and KOR passing often missing its target.
<b>40:28</b>	The flat hit is deflected by a KOR defender for a long corner. ESP players claim it hit her foot.
<b>39:58</b>	ESP earn their 4th corner after a raised ball from a KOR player. ESP looking dangerous this half.
<b>39:10</b>	After the initial ESP attack, the game has settled into the midfield. Time is stopped after a KOR player (MS Lee) lies injured on the ground clutching her face after a collision with an ESP player.
<b>36:21</b>	ESP trap the ball in the circle and the umpire awards a free hit to KOR.
<b>35:45</b>	A strong start 1st ESP who earn a corner after Camon worked the ball onto a KOR foot.
<b>35:00</b>	<b>Incident</b> Half time. A tough match without much free flowing hockey. KOR a little wasteful in attack as supprted by the stats. PC count: ESP 2 KOR 4. Field shots: ESP 0 KOR 3.
<b>34:21</b>	ESP fall-away defence is working at present with KOR surrendering possession easily as they try to go forward.
<b>33:17</b>	<b>Incident</b> ESP earn a free hit from a KOR break into the circle. KOR captain and dangerous striker SE Kim receives a yellow card from stopping the ESP free hit being taken.
<b>32:43</b>	The variation right is worked onto a ESP foot. KOR 4th corner.
<b>32:18</b>	MH Park earns KOR their 3rd corner from a ESP foot. Park made a very good reverse stick trap and drag.
<b>31:08</b>	ESP defending, although they look very dangerous on the counterattack, especially if Camon receives the ball in space deep in attack.
<b>29:36</b>	All 11 ESP players behind the ball as they defend their lead. KOR frustrated as their final pass just misses its mark.
<b>24:37</b>	<b>Goal</b> The sliding Lopez scores a very sharp corner variation from the right post.
<b>24:17</b>	ESP counterattack into their circle down the right and they earn their 2nd corner from a KOR foot.
<b>22:22</b>	KOR with another great chance to score that goes begging. MS Lee passed the ball to a sliding KW Oh who just missed hitting the ball into an open net.
<b>20:19</b>	The first shot is saved and KOR miss a chance on the rebound. An open net for the KOR forward who missed the ball and then ESP cleared.
<b>19:24</b>	KOR corner, their 2nd, from an ESP foot. All 11 ESP players defending.

- 18:48** KOR in control of the game at present, being very tough in defence and finding space in attack. ESP prime movers of Feito and Munoz are being starved of the ball.
- 14:18** A miss-trap and then miss-pass gives ESP possession. They are still in deep defence and are battling to move past their half line.
- 13:36** KOR earn their 1st corner for the game from a ESP stick check in the circle. KOR looking dangerous in the last 8 mins.
- 08:56** KOR on the attack now with 3 or 4 very good chances to score just going out of reach of the KOR strikers. KOR finding space in attack as a result of their hard running off the ball.
- 07:21** A good save a clearance by YS Park (KOR GK). KOR counter into attack and almost score from a shot at goal. Very fast paced game.
- 06:26** ESP earn their 1st corner from a tough KOR tackle outside the circle.
- 06:08** The game has settled into the midfield with both teams starting to hold the ball for longer periods in possession.
- 03:06** JK Kim with the first shot of the game after KOR broke quickly into attack down the middle of the field. Rosa (ESP GK) makes an easy save.
- 02:18** ESP off to a strong start, holding the ball in their attack early. As expected, striker Camon (ESP) causing KOR some problems in attack.
- 00:04** Two of the highest ranked teams in the tournament with ESP at 6 and ESP at 7 leaving the base for a great match. It will be the offensive flair of KOR against the tough defence of ESP.