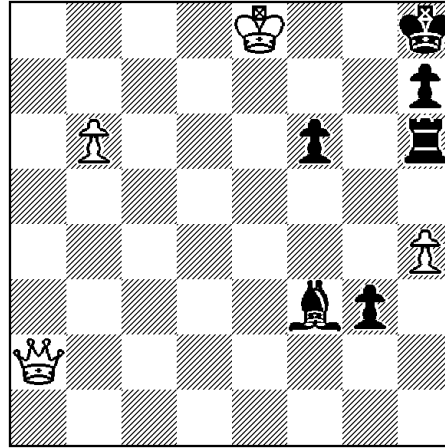


**WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP IN COMPOSING FOR INDIVIDUALS  
(WCCI) 2016-18**

**1. Ilham Aliev (Azerbaijan)**

S.Badalov-55 MT, 2017

1st prize



Win (+)

4+6

**Ilham Aliev (Azerbaijan)**, 1st prize, S.Badalov-55 MT, 2017.

**1.b7!** [1.Kf7? Rg6 2.Qd2 Rg7+ 3.Ke6 g2 4.Qd8+ Rg8 5.Qxf6+ Rg7=; 1.h5? g2 2.Qf2 Rxh5 3.Qxf3 g1Q 4.Qxh5 Qxb6=; Try 1.Kf8? Rg6 2.h5 Bxh5 3.b7 g2—+] **1...Bxb7 2.Kf8** [2.h5? g2! 3.Qa1 Bf3 4.Ke7 Kg7 5.Qd4 Bxh5 6.Qd8 Kg6=] **2...Rg6 3.h5!** and two variant:

MAIN A **3...Rg5** (Main 3...g2 4.hxg6 g1Q 5.Qg8#) **4.Qf7** (Qe6) **4...h6 5.Qxf6+ Kh7 6.Qe7+** (Qf7+) **6...Kh8 7.Qe6!** [7.Qd6? Rg8+ 8.Kf7 Rg7+=] **7...Kh7 8.Qd7+ Kh8 9.Qd4+ Kh7 10.Qd3+ Kh8 11.Qc3+** [11.Qg6?? Rxg6 12.hxg6 Bd5—+] **11...Kh7 12.Qc2+ Kh8 13.Qb2+ Kh7 14.Qxb7+ Kh8 15.Qb2+ Kh7 16.Qc2+** (Qb1+) [16.Qg2? Rf5+ 17.Ke7 Rg5=] **16...Kh8 17.Qg6!** [17.Qc3+ loss of time] **17...Rxg6** [17...g2 18.Qxh6#] **18.hxg6 g2 19.g7+** wins,

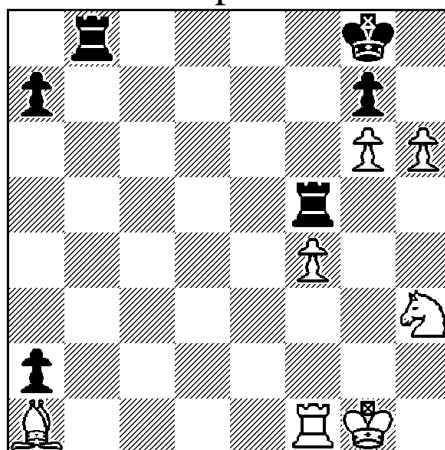
MAIN B **3...Rg7 4.h6 Rg6 5.Qf7 g2 6.Qg7+! Rxg7 7.hxg7#.**

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## 2. Ilham Aliev (Azerbaijan)

3rd Azerbaijan Chess Composition Cup, 2017

1st place



Win (+)

7+6

**Ilham Aliev (Azerbaijan)**, 1st place, 3rd Azerbaijan Cup, 2017.

Publication: ulvichess.az and magazin "Shahmat bestechiliyi".

**1.h7+** [1.Kg2? Rb1 2.h7+ Kh8 3.Ng5 Rxc5+ 4.fxc5 Rxf1 5.Kxf1 a5 6.Ke2 a4 7.Kd2 a3 8.Bd4 a1Q 9.Bxa1 a2=; 1.Ng5? gxc6 2.Nf7 Rxf7 3.gxf7+ Kxf7=] **1...Kh8**  
**2.Ng5** [2.Kg2? Rb1 3.Ng5 Rxc5+ 4.fxc5 Rxf1 5.Kxf1 a5 6.Ke2 a4 7.Kd2 a3 8.Bc3 a1Q 9.Bxa1 a2=] **2...Rxc5+**! [2...a5 3.Kg2 Rf6 (3...Rb7 4.Rd1+-) 4.Bxf6 gxf6 5.Nf7+; 2...Rb7 3.Kg2] **3.fxc5 Rb1 4.Bc3!** [Try: 4.Bb2? Rxf1+ 5.Kxf1 a5 6.Ke2 a4 7.Kd2 a3 8.Bd4 a1Q 9.Bxa1 a2=; 4.Be5? a5!=]

**MAIN A 4...a5 5.Be1!** [5.Bxa5? Rxf1+] **5...Rb8** [5...a1Q 6.Rf8#] **6.Bd2!** [6.Bxa5? a1Q 7.Rxa1 Rb1+ 8.Rxb1] **6...Rb1 7.Bc1!** [7.Bc3? Rxf1+ 8.Kxf1 a4 9.Ke2 a3 10.Kd2 a1Q 11.Bxa1 a2=] **7...Rb8** [7...a1Q 8.Rf8#] **8.Bb2!** [8.Be3? Rb1 9.Bd4 Rxf1+ 10.Kxf1 a4 11.Ke2 a3 12.Kd2 a1Q 13.Bxa1 a2] **8...Rxb2** [8...a4 9.Rf7; 8...a1Q 9.Bxa1+- (9.Rxa1? Rxb2=)] **9.Rf8#**,

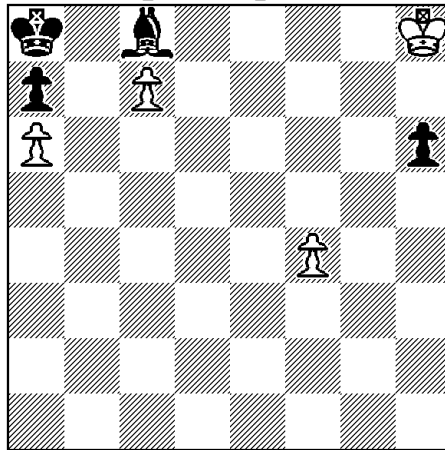
**MAIN B 4...Rxf1+ 5.Kxf1 a5 6.Ke1** (6.Ke2) **6...a4 7.Kd2** (7.Kd1) **7...a3 8.Kc2** (8.Kc1) **8...a1Q 9.Bxa1 a2 10.Bxc7+!** (10.Bc3? a1Q 11.Bxa1 stalemate; 10.Bf6? gxf6 11.Kb2 fxc5) **10...Kxc7 11.Kb2**, wins.

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### 3. Ilham Aliev (Azerbaijan)

Ceskoslovensky sach 2017

Special prize



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4+4

**Ilham Aliev (Azerbaijan)**. Special prize, Ceskoslovensky Sach, 2017.

**1.f5!!** [Thematic try: 1.Kg7? Bxa6! (1...h5? 2.f5 Bxf5 3.Kh6= see solution) 2.Kxh6 Kb7—+] **1...Bxf5 2.Kg7 h5 3.Kh6!!** [Thematic try: 3.Kf6? Reti manoeuvre 3...Bc8 4.Kg5 Bxa6 5.Kxh5 Bc8 (b7) 6.Kg5 a5—+] **3...h4 4.Kg5** Reti manoeuvre **4...Bc8 5.Kxh4=** King manoeuvre: Kg7-h6-g5-h4.

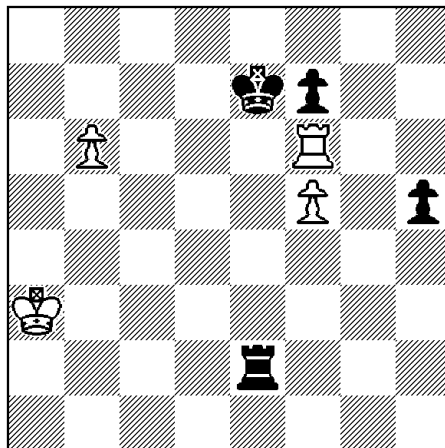
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#### 4. Ilham Aliev (Azerbaijan)

Marwitz-100 XY, 2016

3rd honourable mention



Win (+)

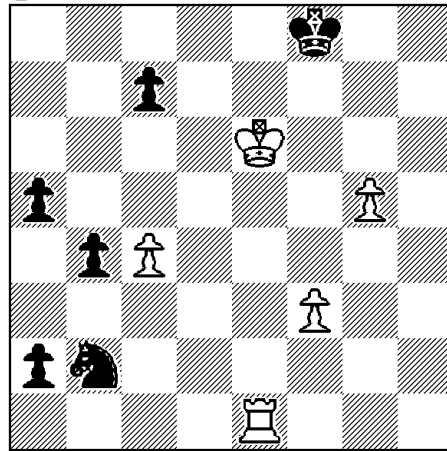
4+4

**Ilham Aliev (Azerbaijan).** 3rd HM, JAN HENDRIK MARWITZ –100 MT , 2016.

**1.Re6+!!** [1.b7? Kxf6 2.b8Q Kxf5= EGTB] **1...fxe6** [1...Rxe6 2.fxe6] **2.b7** [2.f6+? Kd7] **2...Re3+ 3.Kb2** [3.Ka4? Re1; 3.Kb4? Re1] **3...Re2+ 4.Kc3 Re3+ 5.Kc4 Re4+ 6.Kc5 Re5+ 7.Kc6** [7.Kb6? Re1] **7...Re1** [7...Rxf5 8.b8Q+- EGTB; 7...exf5 8.b8Q+- EGTB] **8.f6+!** [8.b8Q? Rc1+-+ 9.Kb7 Rb1+] **8...Kf7** [main 8...Kxf6 9.b8Q Rc1+ 10.Kd7 Rd1+ 11.Ke8+-] **9.b8Q Rc1+ 10.Kd6 10.Kd7** [loss of time 10...Rd1+ 11.Kc7 Rc1+ 12.Kd6], wins.

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**5. Ilham Aliev (Azerbaijan)**  
Die Schwalbe 2016  
Special honourable mention



Draw (=)      5+6

**Ilham Aliev (Azerbaijan)**, Special HM, Die Schwalbe, 2016.

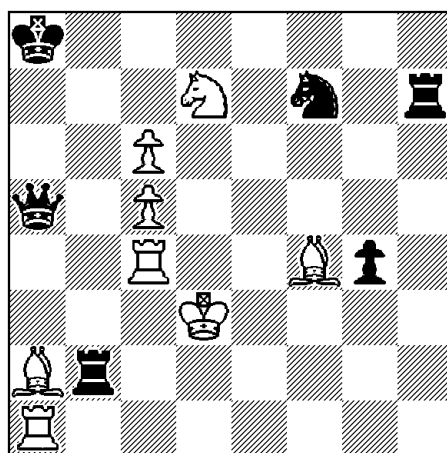
**1.Kf6** and two variant:

**Main A 1...Nd3 2.Ra1!!** Point [Try: 2.Rh1? Ke8! (2...Kg8 3.g6 Nf4 4.Rd1=) 3.g6 Nf4 4.g7 Nh5+ 5.Ke5 Nxe7 6.Kd4 Nf5+ 7.Kd3 b3 8.Kc3 a4] **2...b3 3.g6!** [3.Rh1? Ke8 (3...Kg8 4.g6 Nf4!-) 4.g6 Nf4 5.g7 Nh5+ 6.Rxe5 a1Q+] **3...Nf4 4.g7+ Kg8 5.Rd1!** [5.Rh1? Nh5+! 6.Rxe5 a1Q+] **5...Nh5+ 6.Kg6 Nf4+ 7.Kf6** positional draw **7...Ne6! 8.Kxe6 Kxe7** [8...b2? 9.Kf6 b1Q 10.Rd8+] **9.Rg1+ Kf8** [9...Kh6 10.Kf6=] **10.Rh1** [permutation 10-11 move 10.Kf6 b2 11.Rh1] **10...b2** [10...Kg7 11.Rg1+] **11.Kf6 Ke8 12.Ke6 Kf8 13.Kf6** positional draw **13...Kg8 14.Rg1+ Kh7 15.Rh1+** [15.Kf7? a1Q] **15...Kg8 16.Rg1+** positional draw **16...Kf8 17.Rh1=**,

**MAIN B 1...Nxc4 2.g6 Nd6 3.g7+ Kg8 4.Kg6 b3 5.Rh1! Nf7 6.Re1! Nd6 7.Rh1 Nf7 8.Re1** positional draw.

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**6. Ilham Aliev (Azerbaijan)**  
 Joaquin Perez de Arriaga-85, 2017  
 1st commendation



Win (+)

8+6

**Ilham Aliev (Azerbaijan)**, 1st comm, JPA-85, 2017.

**1.Nb6+** [1.c7? Rh3+] **1...Rxb6** [1...Ka7 2.Ra4] **2.cxb6 Ne5+!** [2...Rh3+ 3.Ke2; 2...Nd8 3.c7; 2...Qf5+ 3.Re4] **3.Bxe5 Qd5+** [3...Rh3+ 4.Kc2; 3...Qa3+ 4.Bb3] **4.Kc2!** [4.Bd4? Rh3+; 4.Rd4? Rh3+; 4.Kc3 Qxe5+ 5.Rd4 Qa5+ 6.Kd3 Qxb6=] **4...Qxe5** [4...Qg2+ 5.Kb3 Rh3+ 6.Kb4 Qd2+ 7.Rc3] **5.Ra4+** [5.Rd1? Rh2+] **5...Kb8 6.Ra8+!!** [Try 6.c7+? Kb7 7.Bd5+ (7.Ra7+ Kxb6 8.c8N+ Kc6 9.Bd5+ Kxd5 10.R1a5+ Kd4!)=] 7...Kxb6! 8.c8N+ Kc7! 9.Rc4+ Kd8=] **6...Kxa8 7.Bd5+ Kb8** [Main 7...Qxa1 8.c7#] **8.Ra8+!** [8.c7+? Rxc7+] **8...Kxa8 9.c7+ Qxd5 10.c8Q#.**

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