

Argentina facing the urgency of the Qatari dream

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Argentina in Qatar-2022

Doha, November 30 (PL) - Without the flashes of the "Scaloneta" champion of America, but with a Lionel Messi obsessed with eternal glory, Argentina today wants to add to its history on the way to the Round of

16 of Qatar 2022.

After an agonizing start against Saudi Arabia (1-2), the Albiceleste found in Mexico (2-0) the necessary panacea to alleviate their misfortune and acquire emotional nutrients before Wednesday's clash against the rocky Poland of Robert Lewandowski.

Apparently, the confusion is behind them and the internal atmosphere shows the same contagious magic that led the South American troop to a 36-match unbeaten streak, a streak that was surprisingly shortened in the World Cup opener.

While the ghosts of the Japan-South Korea 2002 edition lurk in the air, Lionel Scaloni's squad exhales its most genuine essence to thrill the Europeans at the 974 Stadium, from 22:00, local time, in a match that will define the immediate future of those involved in the Middle East.

Scaloni himself warned that he will not renounce his soccer principles, because "our idea is quite clear" and "we come with an important boost in our spirits for having beaten Mexico, that comforts us and encourages us to know which path we must follow".

At a press conference held the day before in Hall Two of the Doha Media Center, the coach said: "We are expecting a difficult match. Poland is a team that at times closes very well in the box and also creates situations in the box. We have to see who plays. It's different depending on who is there.

And beyond the collective struggle, the Messi-Lewandowski battle will also be the focus of attention. Two of Spain's last great FC Barcelona stars will face an "all or nothing" clash and few forget the morbidity created around the Ballon d'Or and "The Best" awards less than two years ago.

"He is a great player, it is a privilege and a pleasure to be able to see him up close as any fan. And if he has the level of Messi? We have to enjoy him, we should not compare him with others. Comparisons are useless," said the Argentine coach to calm the mood in the midst of speculation.

After clearing the panorama in sectors A and B, key C is one of the most open, but Argentina (three points) depends on itself, something that Mexico (one) does not have in its favor, for example, which needs to "knock down" Saudi Arabia (three).

South Americans, Europeans and Asians have a chance of going through if they draw, which is not advisable either because of the multiple variants that could occur. In view of the above, the best option is to emerge victorious and leave no room for chance in a fickle sport par excellence.

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