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2012 Men's Olympic Tournament

Iceland – Hungary (Quarter-Final)



Agility + experience!

Iceland relied on their flexible 6:0 defence in the first quarter-final featuring offensively acting half defenders. Hungary to the contrary played a wide variety of cross movements including long moving paths by the back-court players, who frequently caused trouble for the Icelandic inside defenders as regards the switching of opponents.

During extra time Hungary's large pool of experience during such critical game situations tipped the scale to make Hungary surprisingly advance to the Olympic semis.

The picture row shows how the right back executes an effective moving feint without the ball to face Iceland's offensively acting 6:0 defence.



1 Hungary's pivot and the centre back cross to start their attack.



2 The pivot approaches the interface of the left inside defender and the left half defender.



3 The left half defender acts offensively to spoil a pass from the right back.



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Picture 4 to 6: The right back quickly feints a move to the centre in order to break free without the ball to the

outside towards the non-throwing arm side. Then he receives the ball from the player in possession of the ball.



Picture 7 and 8: 2-against-1 superiority: the right half plays a quick bounce pass to the rolling-up right wing.



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Picture 9 to12: The right wing plays a direct shot feint to net a lob shot into the far high corner.

