World Championship International Draughts 2013 Ufa.

Decision of main referee about the result of the game Akoi – Nossov

In the game Akoi – Nossov 86 moves were played at the moment that the flag fell for Mr. Nossov in the third period of 20 seconds Fischer per move. He had not recognized that his time was up. The assistant referee Airat Nurgaziyev decided that the game was lost for Nossov.
The referee asked me if there was not a draw situation because very long both players played only with Kings. However this was not 25 moves or more.
But after whites move 71,83 and 85 the same position was on the board with black to move, and also the same position after blacks move 71,83 and 85.
The role of the referee is implementation of the rules and regulations as laid down in the annexes of the FMJD.
Annex 1, official FMJD rules for international draughts, article 6.1. states the following:
A game is considered a draw when the same position occurs for the third time, with the same player having to move.
This means that the game is ended at that moment and what happens after that moment is irrelevant.

Annex 4, article 2.a7b states the following:
The referee must decide on the draw result of a game when he concludes that the game is drawn according to the regulations of the game, Annex 1, articles 6.1 to 6.4. This may be after a claim of a player or at the initiative of the referee**.** When the referee remarks that there is a regulatory draw situation it is his duty to end the game.

The referee at the table of this game has not correctly noted this situation and did not end the game at that moment. This is considered to be an error of the referee.
Everybody may make errors, even a referee. I don't blame him as this is not an easy task for a referee.
As main referee however it is my task and my duty to correct such an error.

<u>As main referee I decide that, even when the game was temporarily considered to be won by Mr. Akoi, based on the FMJD regulations Annex 1 and Annex 4, the game is a draw.</u>

Everyone involved in this situation has the right for appeal with the Jury d'Appel, presided by Mr. Claude Ngondiep, president of the federation of Cameroon.

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Appendix: Notation game Akoi – Nossov

01. **34–30 18–23**
02. **30–25 13–18**
03. **40–34 09–13**
04. **44–40 04–09**
05. **34–30 17–21**
06. **39–34 21–26**
07. **34–29 23x34**
08. **30x39 11–17**
09. **40–34 07–11**
10. **45–40 01–07**
11. **50–45 17–21**
12. **34–30 21–27**
13. **32x21 26x17**
14. **37–32 17–21**
15. **41–37 21–26**
16. **33–28 11–17**
17. **39–33 07–11**
18. **40–34 17–21**
19. **49–44 21–27**
20. **31x22 18x27**
21. **32x21 26x17**
22. **37–32 16–21**
23. **44–40 21–27**
24. **32x21 17x26**
25. **38–32 19–23**
26. **28x19 14x23**
27. **25x14 10x19**
28. **46–41 12–18**
29. **30–25 05–10**
30. **41–37 10–14**
31. **34–30 08–12**
32. **42–38 02–08**
33. **32–27 12–17**
34. **37–32 14–20**
35. **25x14 19x10**
36. **40–34 09–14**
37. **33–29 26–31**
38. **27–21 17x26**
39. **36x27 11–17**
40. **38–33 06–11**
41. **43–38 11–16**
42. **29–24 17–22**
43. **45–40 22x31**
44. **24–19 13x24**
45. **30x28 16–21**
46. **34–29 08–12**
47. **40–34 03–09**
48. **35–30 14–20**
49. **30–24 18–23**
50. **29x07 20x40**
51. **07–01 40–45**
52. **01–06 10–14**
53. **06–22 45–50**
54. **22x04 14–19**
55. **04x36 19–23**
56. **28x19 50x05**
57. **36–27 05x46**
58. **27x16 46–28**
59. **16–02 15–20**
60. **02–35 26–31**
61. **35–13 31–36**
62. **13–02 20–25**
63. **02–35 28–05**
64. **38–33 05–46**
65. **33–29 46–10**
66. **35–49 10–05**
67. **48–42 05–46**
68. **42–38 46–37**
69. **38–33 37–05**
70. **29–24 05–10**
71. **33–29 10–05**

after 71. 33–29 the Kings are on 49 and 10 and black has to move

72. **49–35 05–10**
73. **35–40 10–05**
74. **40–34 05–10**
75. **34–45 10–32**
76. **45–40 32–10**
77. **40–35 10–05**
78. **35–49 05–10**
79. **49–16 10–05**
80. **16–02 05–10**
81. **02–08 10–05**
82. **08–21 05–10**
83. **21–49 10–05**

after 83. 21–49 the Kings are on 49 and 10 and black has to move

84. **49–40 05–10**
85. **40–49 10–05**

after 85. 40–49 the Kings are on 49 and 10 and black has to move

86. **49–38 05–14**

also the position after the moves of black 71.10-5, 83. 10-5 and 85. 10-5 occurs for the third time with white to move.