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Last-gasp Marwan header puts Al Shorta into the final stage (2016)

Al Shorta's start to the 2015-16 season was truly dreadful. Their first six games were under the helm of Hakim Shaker, and Al Shorta lost four of them, leading to Hakim being sacked. Qahtan Chathir was the man who took over, but Al Shorta only managed one win from their next four games under him and Al Shorta were in eighth position out of ten teams in their group.

Their chances of finishing in the top four and qualifying to the final stage of the league were looking very slim, but Al Shorta then went on an impressive run of five wins from their next seven games which pushed them up to fifth in the group. Al Shorta were one point behind Amanat Baghdad in fourth and two behind Zakho in third, and because Amanat Baghdad were facing Zakho on the final matchday, an Al Shorta win over Al Hudod would mean that Al Shorta qualified for the final stage against all the odds.

Al Shorta started the game disastrously as Henri Jaudel Ambo put Al Hudod ahead on 13 minutes, but captain Amjad Kalaf brought the game back to 1-1 early on in the second half.

Al Shorta pushed and pushed for the goal they needed to qualify, and finally, in the second minute of stoppage time, Marwan Hussein leapt high and headed   Amjad Atwan's cross into the back of the net to send the Ultras Green Harp fans ballistic behind the goal. It was an amazing moment and an emotional one too as Amjad Kalaf and assistant manager Hashim Ridha broke down in tears at full time in realisation of the great strides the club had made under Qahtan Chathir in just a few months. Al Shorta went on to disappointingly finish seventh in the final stage but nonetheless the moment that Marwan scored will never be forgotten.

To see the goals of that unforgettable game, **click here**.