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JoseMar - July 13, 2025, 2:48 pm

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A Final That Was About More Than Just the Score

I've been sitting with this one for a while. You know that feeling when you expect fireworks, but what you get is something... cleaner? Sharper? Almost surgical?

That was Chelsea's 3-0 win over PSG in the Club World Cup final. Not just a victory. A dismantling. But also, weirdly, a reflection. A bit of a mirror held up to both teams.

Let's start where it exploded.

[Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=asSkefp35F8>]
Cole Palmer.

That kid is terrifying in the best way. Two goals before half an hour had even passed. And they weren't flukes. Both were almost carbon copies, left-foot finishes, confident, well-timed. Then the assist to João Pedro, like it was drawn up in his head three seconds before it happened.

You don't always see a player step into the big stage and just own it. Not just survive the pressure, but lean into it. Thrive in it. Palmer didn't look nervous. He looked like he expected this. Like the final wasn't a mountain, but a spotlight.

And that third goal? Pedro's chip over Donnarumma. Cold. I mean, in a final? That's not just quality. That's arrogance with a smile. Like, "We know what this is."

Let's not forget who they were up against.

PSG weren't limping into this match. They'd just crushed Real Madrid 4-0. They had confidence, names, momentum. On paper, they should've had this. But something was... off.

Tired legs? Overthinking? Maybe even underestimating Chelsea?

Either way, they never really showed up. Not in the ways that mattered.

Their heads were gone before the final whistle. Neves getting sent off for yanking Cucurella's hair, which, by the way, is the kind of move you make when you've stopped thinking and just want the game to be over. And Donnarumma pushing João Pedro post-match? That's not passion. That's frustration, turned into pettiness.

It's easy to be gracious when you're winning. But losing, that reveals character. And PSG didn't exactly pass that test with flying colors.

Meanwhile, Chelsea just stayed calm.

And that's the part that sticks with me. Yeah, the goals were beautiful. The football was smart. But the control? The composure? That's what really won it. Even as PSG tried to drag them into chaos, Chelsea held the line.

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Enzo Maresca deserves real credit here.

There's a difference between building a system and building a mentality. He's doing both. This team doesn't just play with identity, it plays with poise. Like it's been here before. Even when, in reality, many of these players haven't.

Oh, and the £93 million prize money? Not a bad bonus. That can build a lot. Not just in players, but in belief.

So what now?

That's the real question, right?

For Chelsea, this is more than a medal. It's momentum. Confidence. Proof that their rebuild isn't just marketing talk. They've beaten Europe's so-called elite, and done it in a final, on a global stage. That kind of win seeps into the walls. Into training. Into everything.

You could feel it as they lifted the trophy. Not just relief, but clarity. Like they're starting to believe in their own project again.

For PSG? Honestly, I don't know.

They looked elite two weeks ago. And now? They look like they're holding broken pieces and trying to act like it's still whole. Maybe it's fatigue. Maybe it's arrogance. Maybe it's just what happens when your strategy is more about individual talent than team resilience.

But that's not sustainable. Especially when finals demand grit more than glow.

A few lingering questions, though: Is Cole Palmer about to become that guy? Not just a promising attacker, but someone who defines Chelsea's future?

What does this say about Chelsea's title chances in the Premier League? Is this a one-off, or a blueprint?

And PSG, is their dominance era over before it really began?

Honestly, this is why I love football. Not just for the goals, though those were top class, but for everything underneath. The emotional cracks, the decisions, the coaching calls, the player reactions. The psychology of it.

Some finals are about survival. Others, about proving something.

Chelsea did both.

And they made it look kind of effortless.

Would love to hear how you saw it. What stood out? And where do you think both teams go from here?

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