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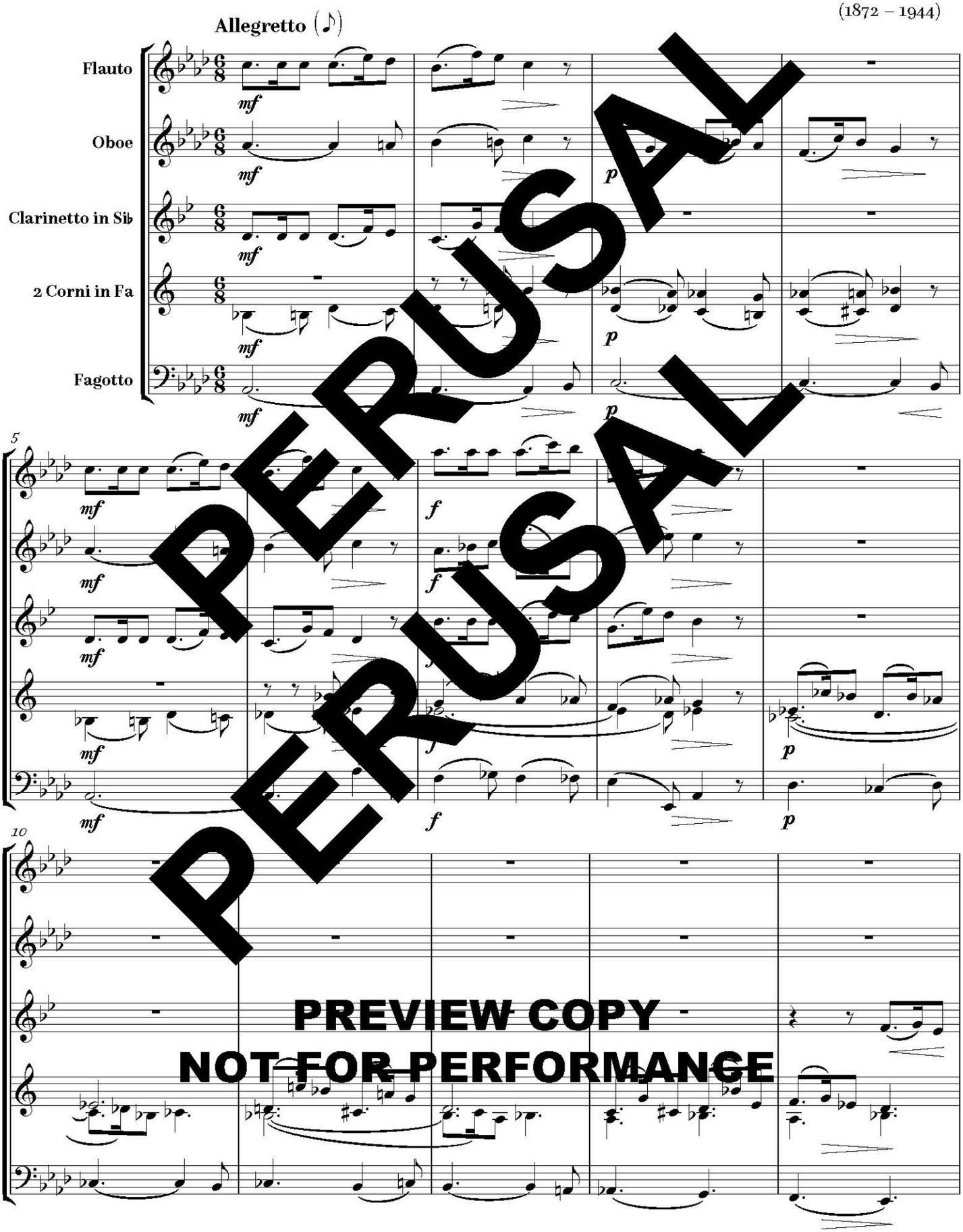

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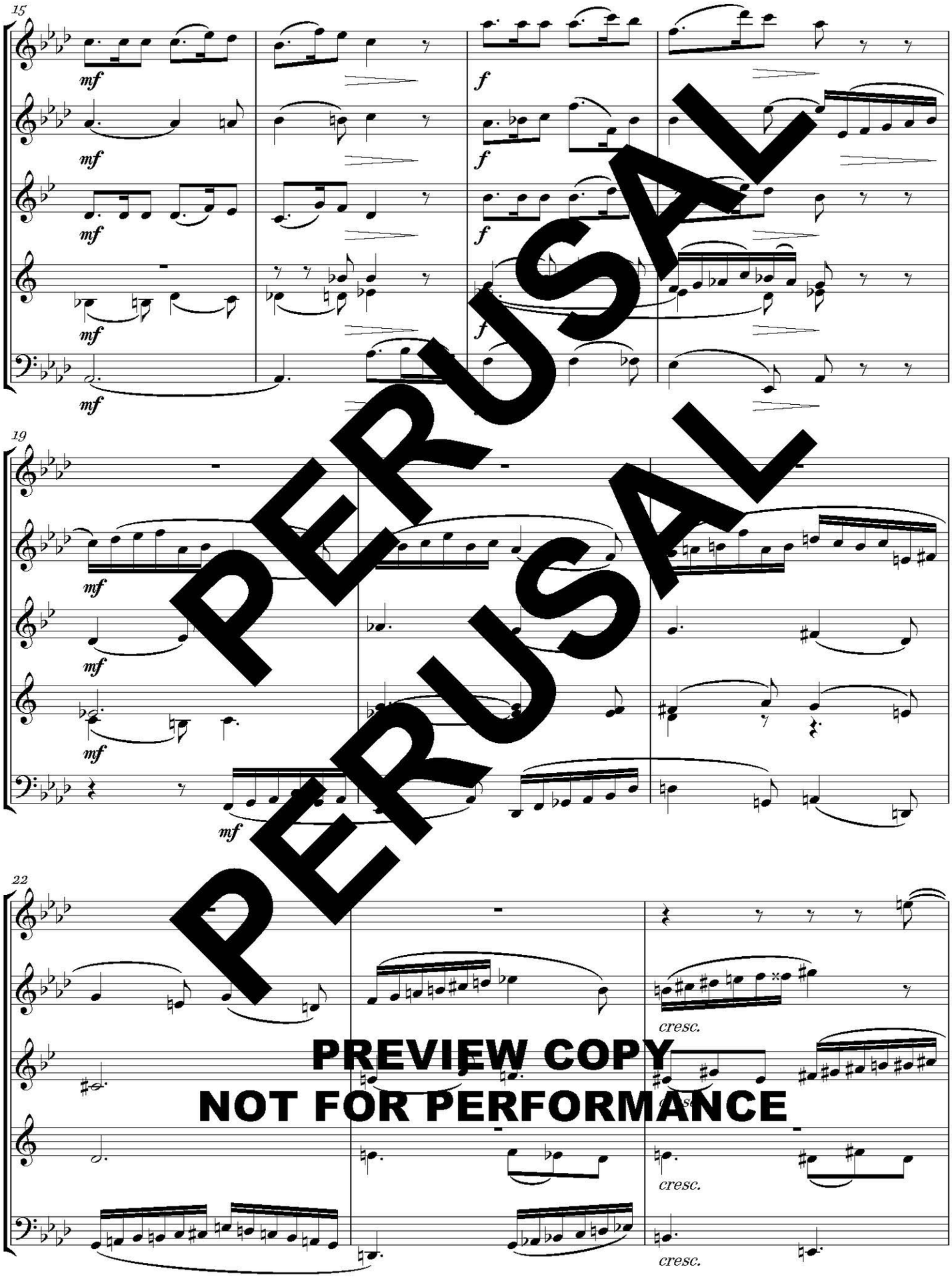

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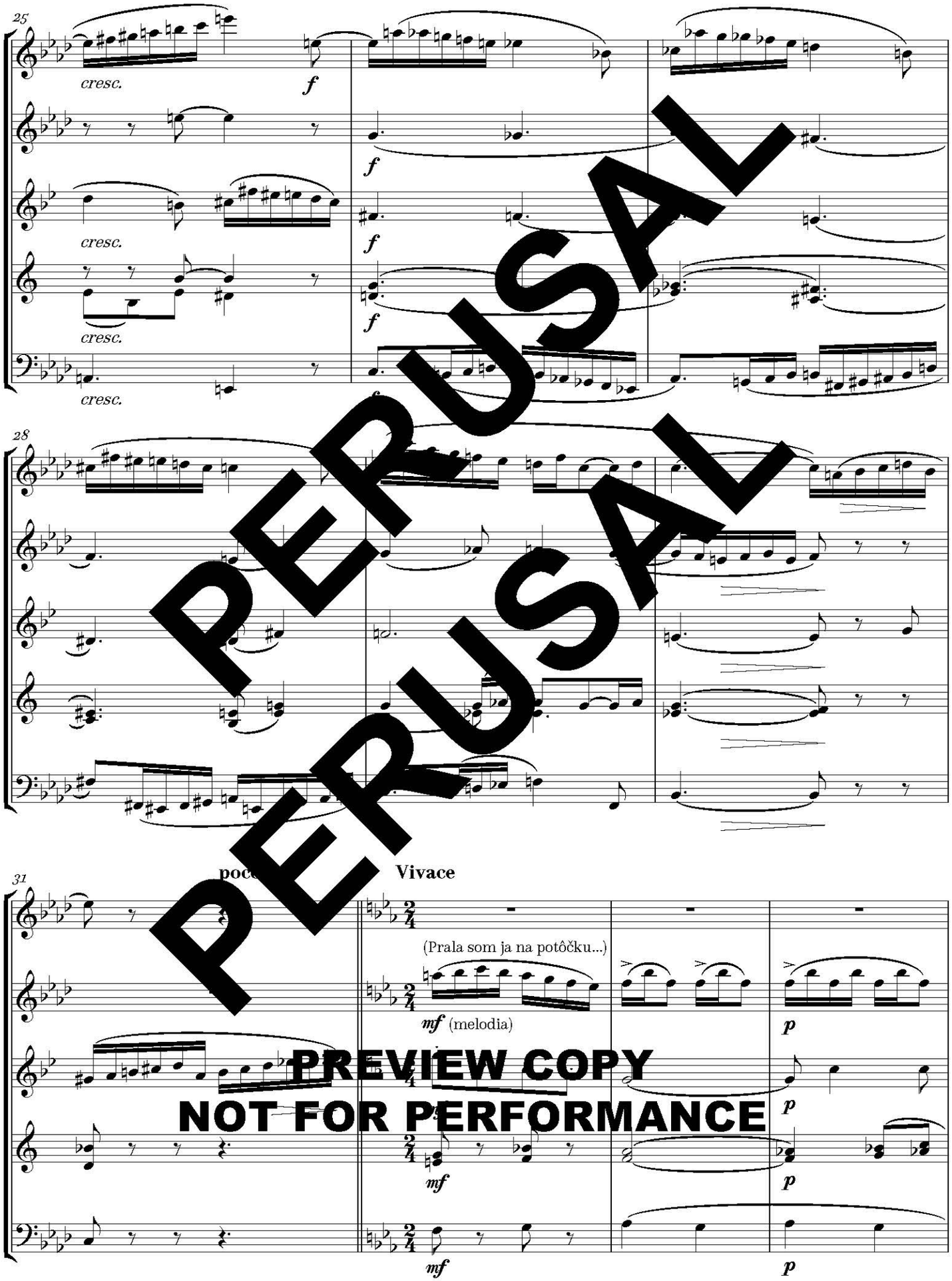

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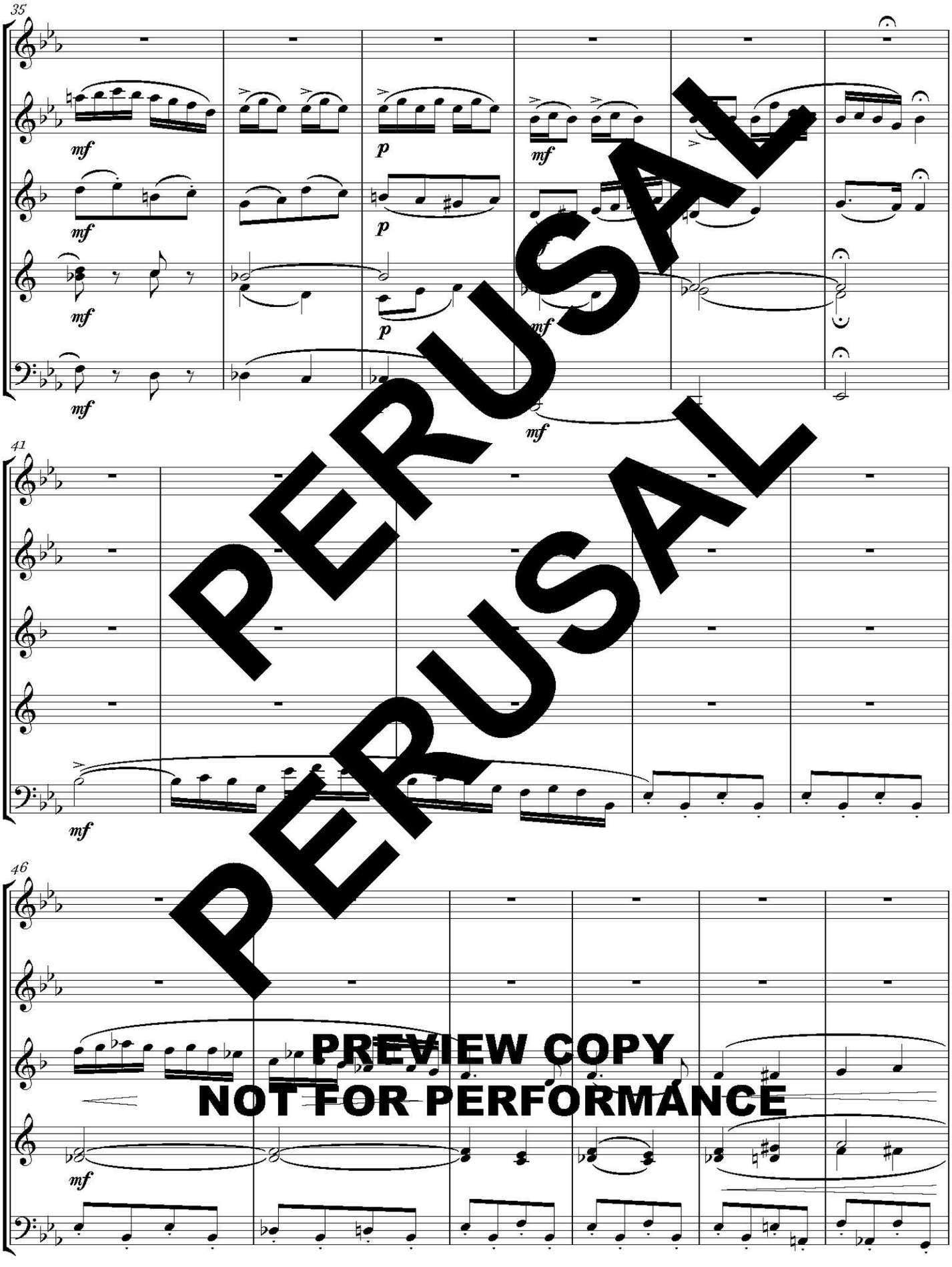

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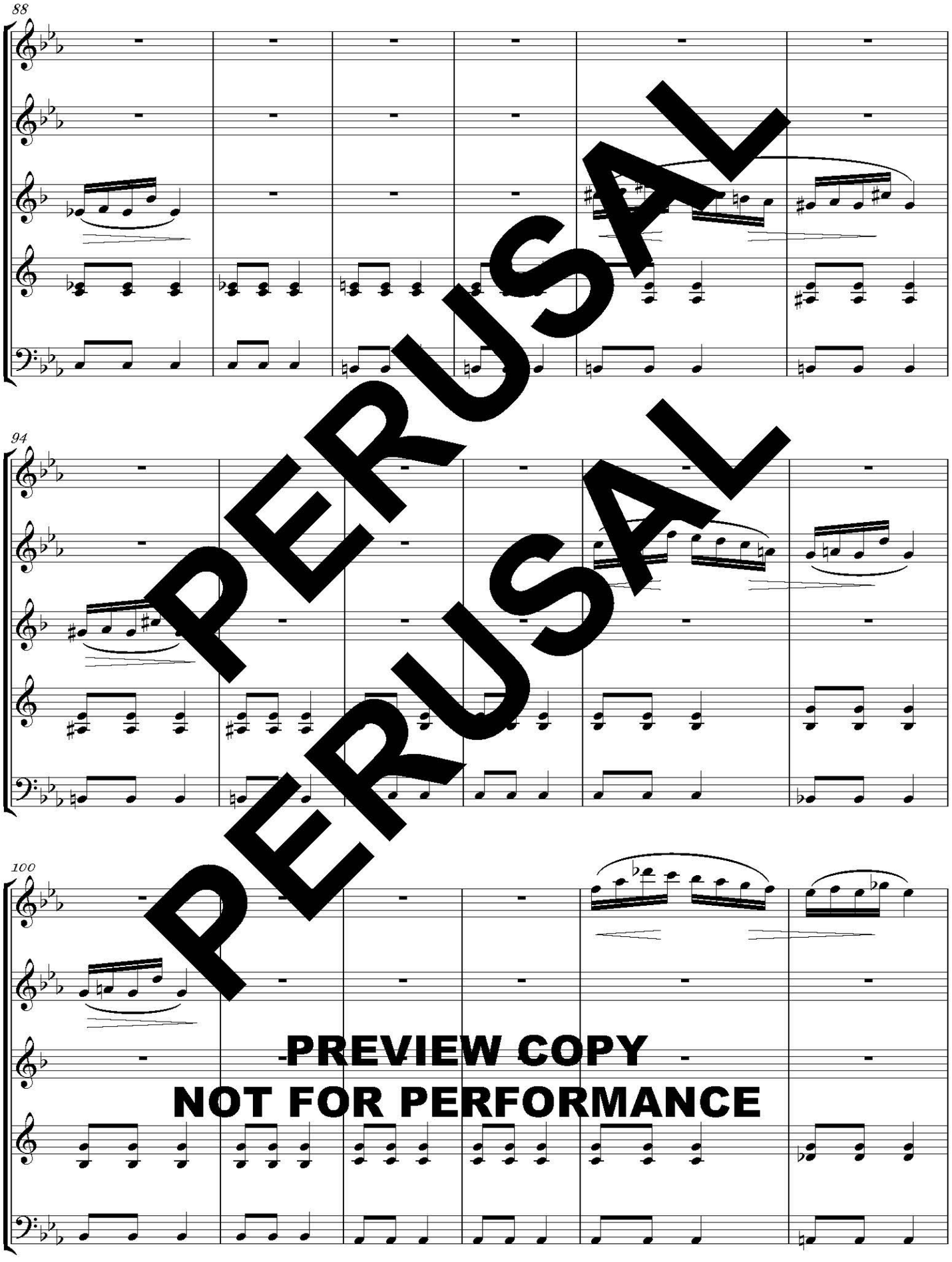

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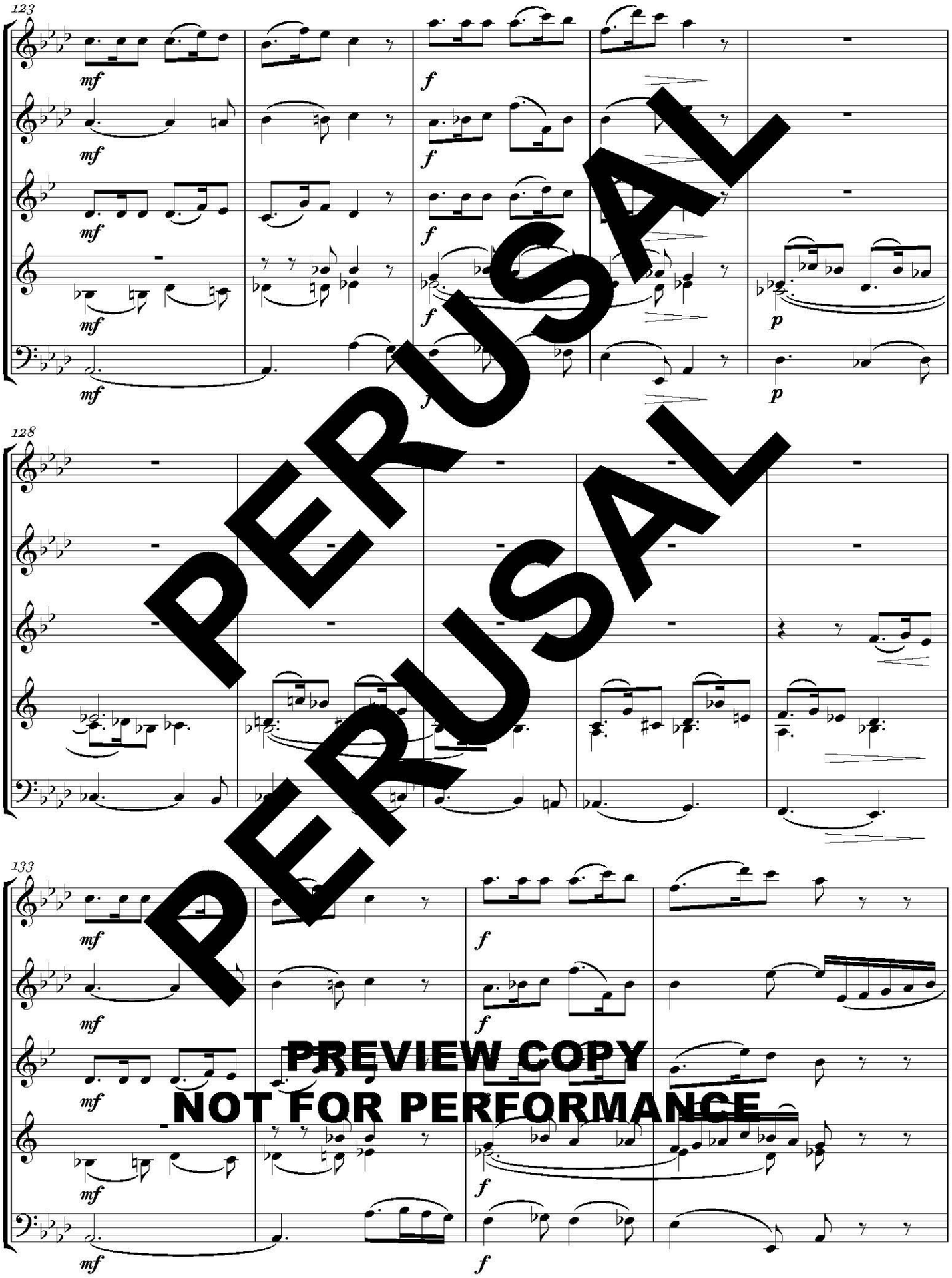

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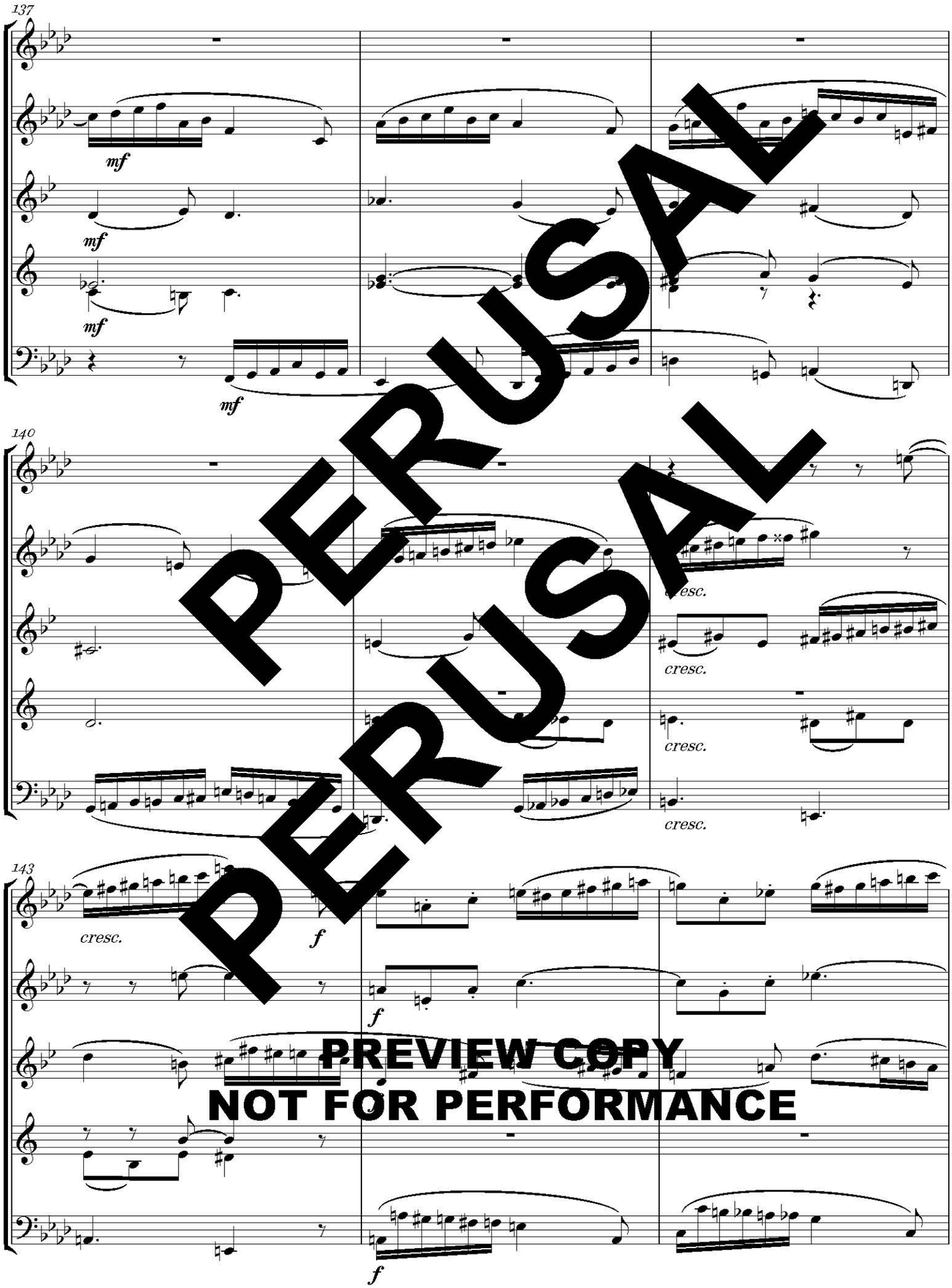

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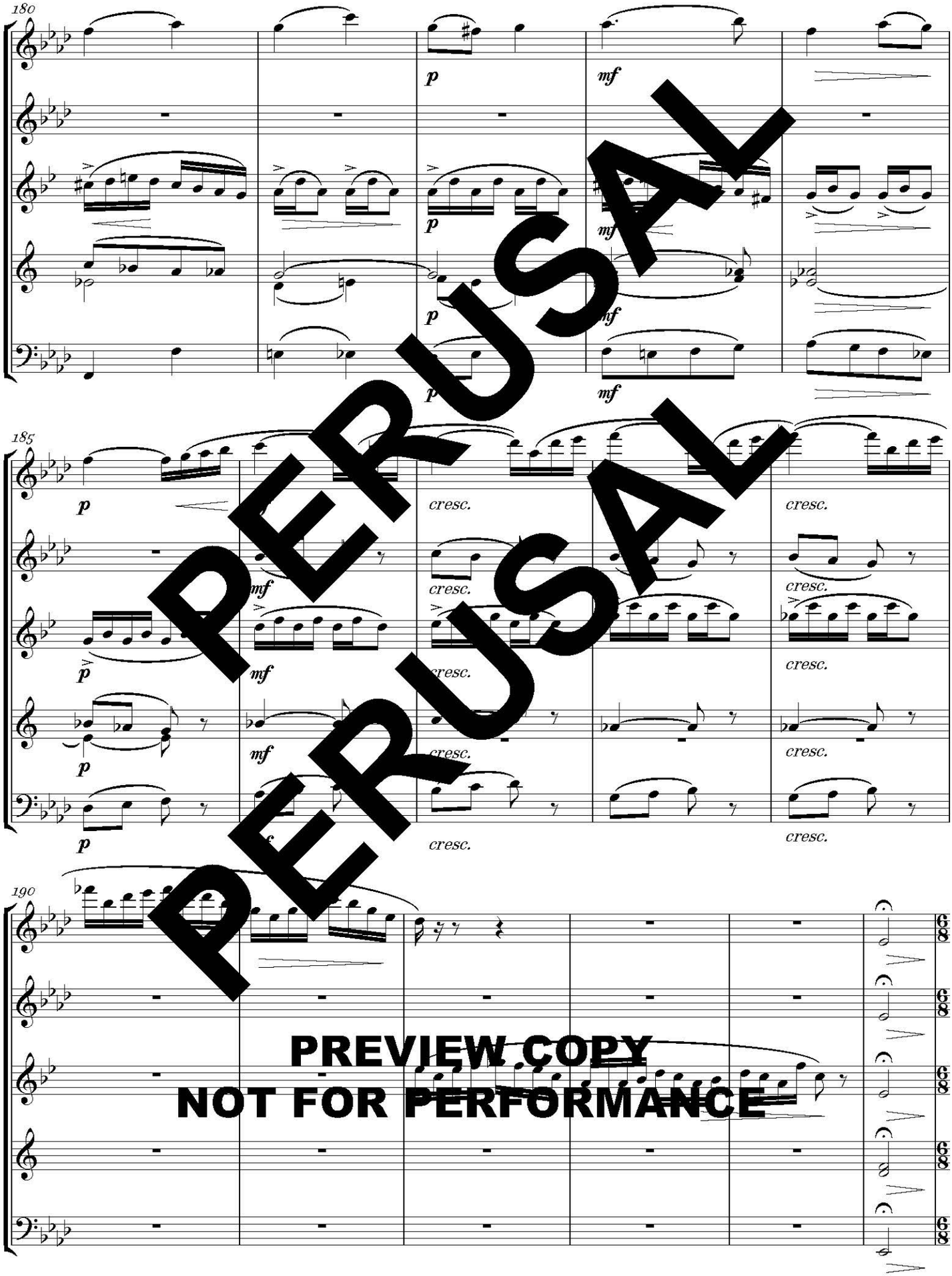

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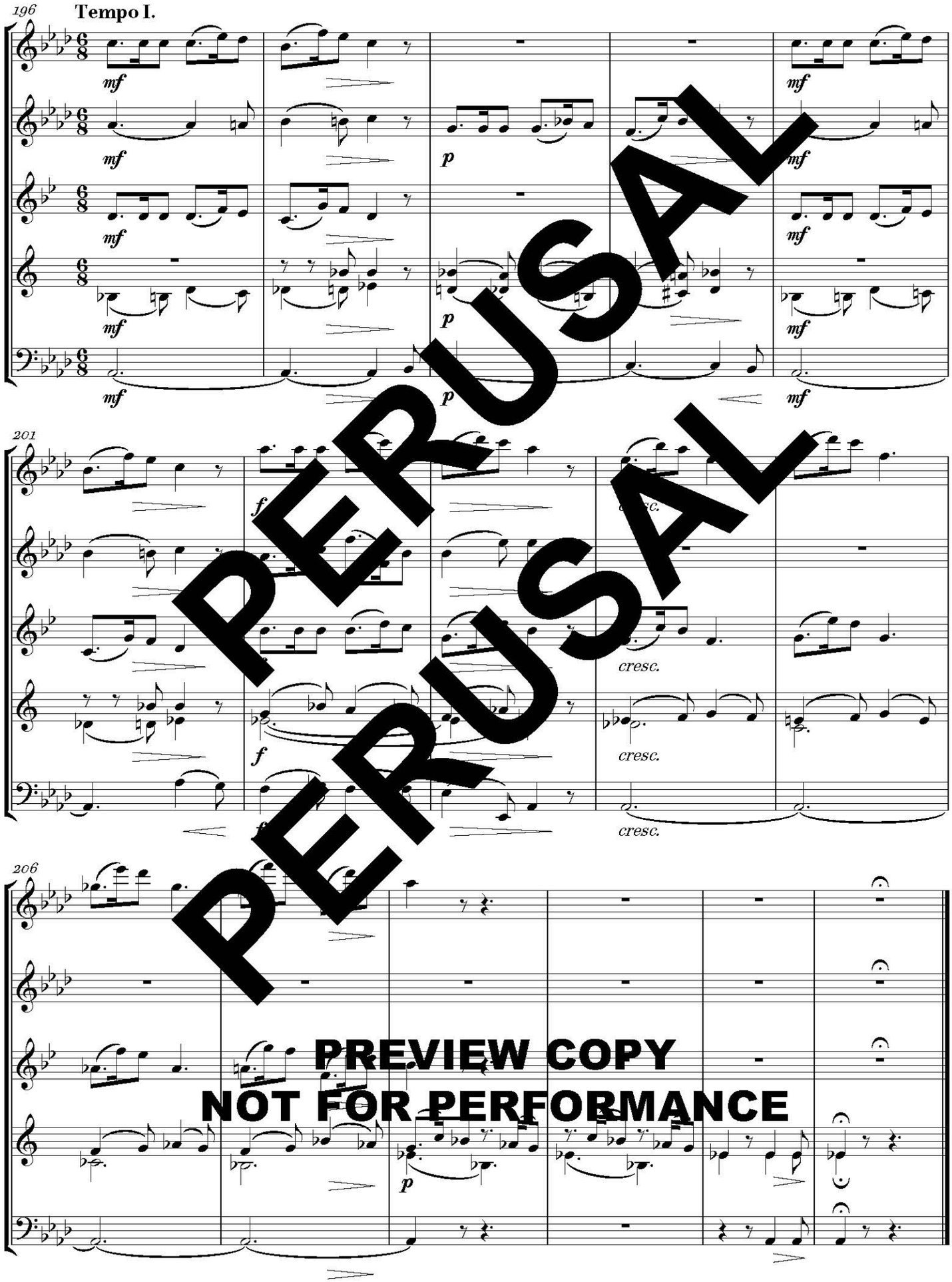

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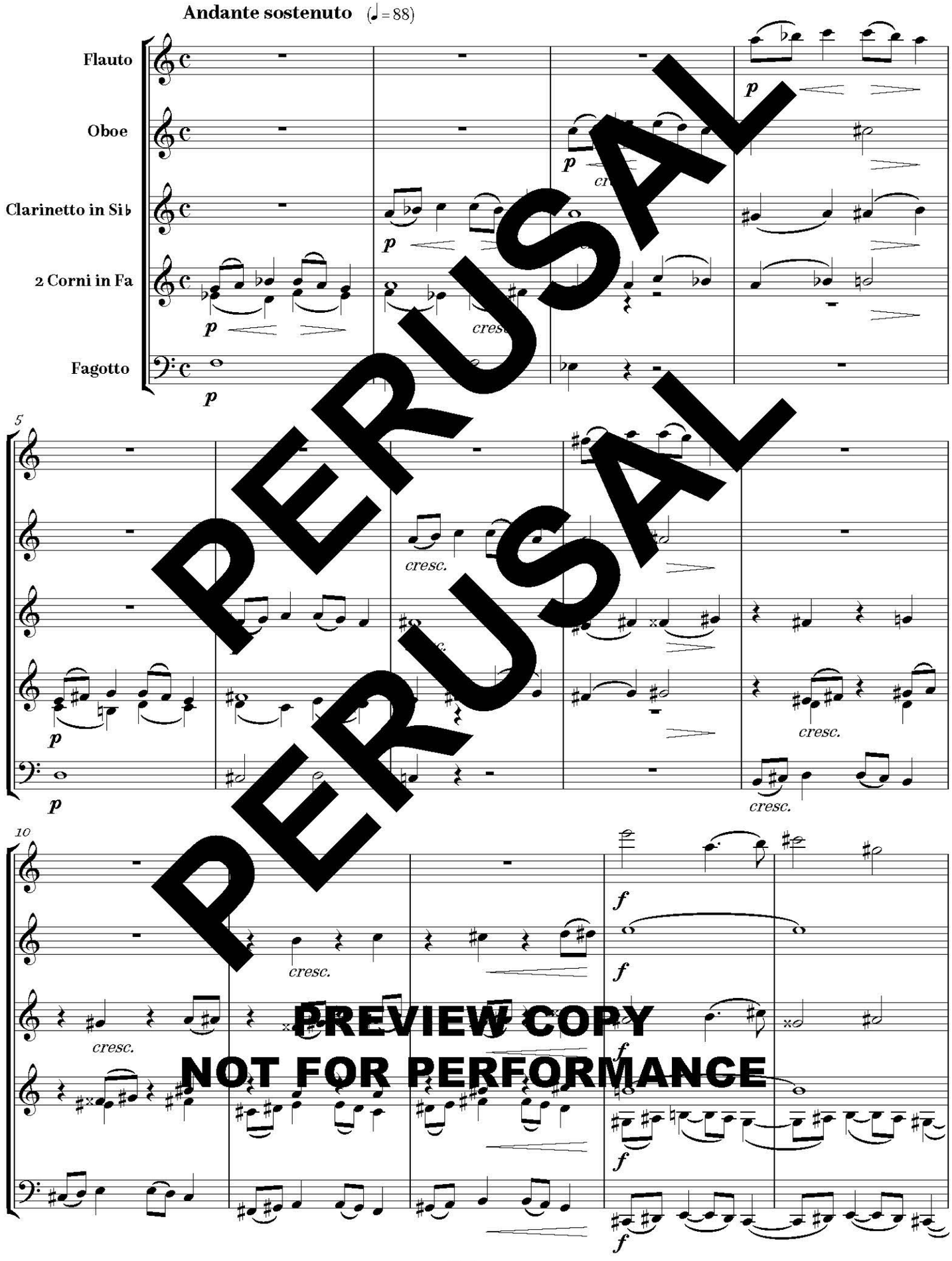

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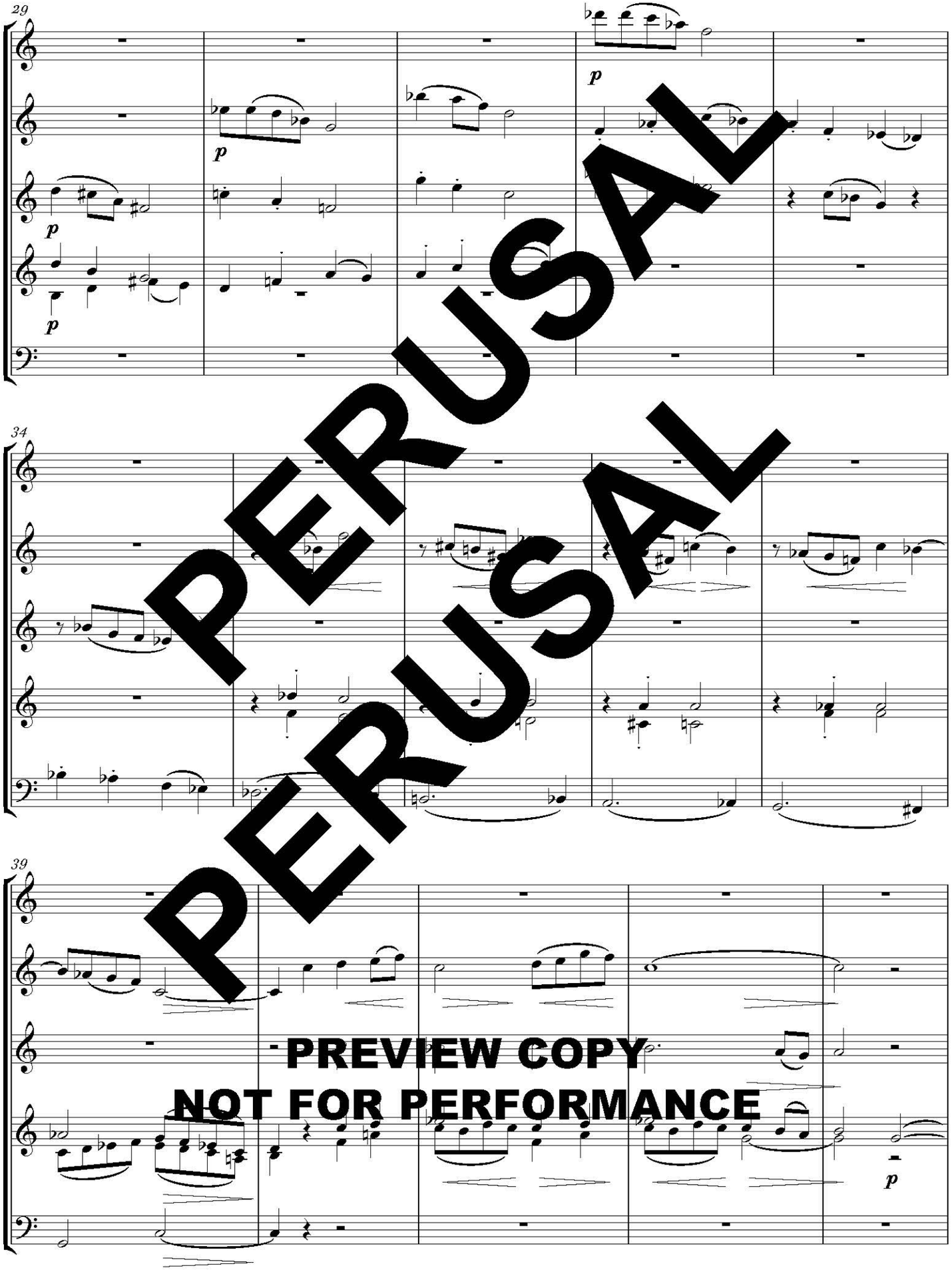

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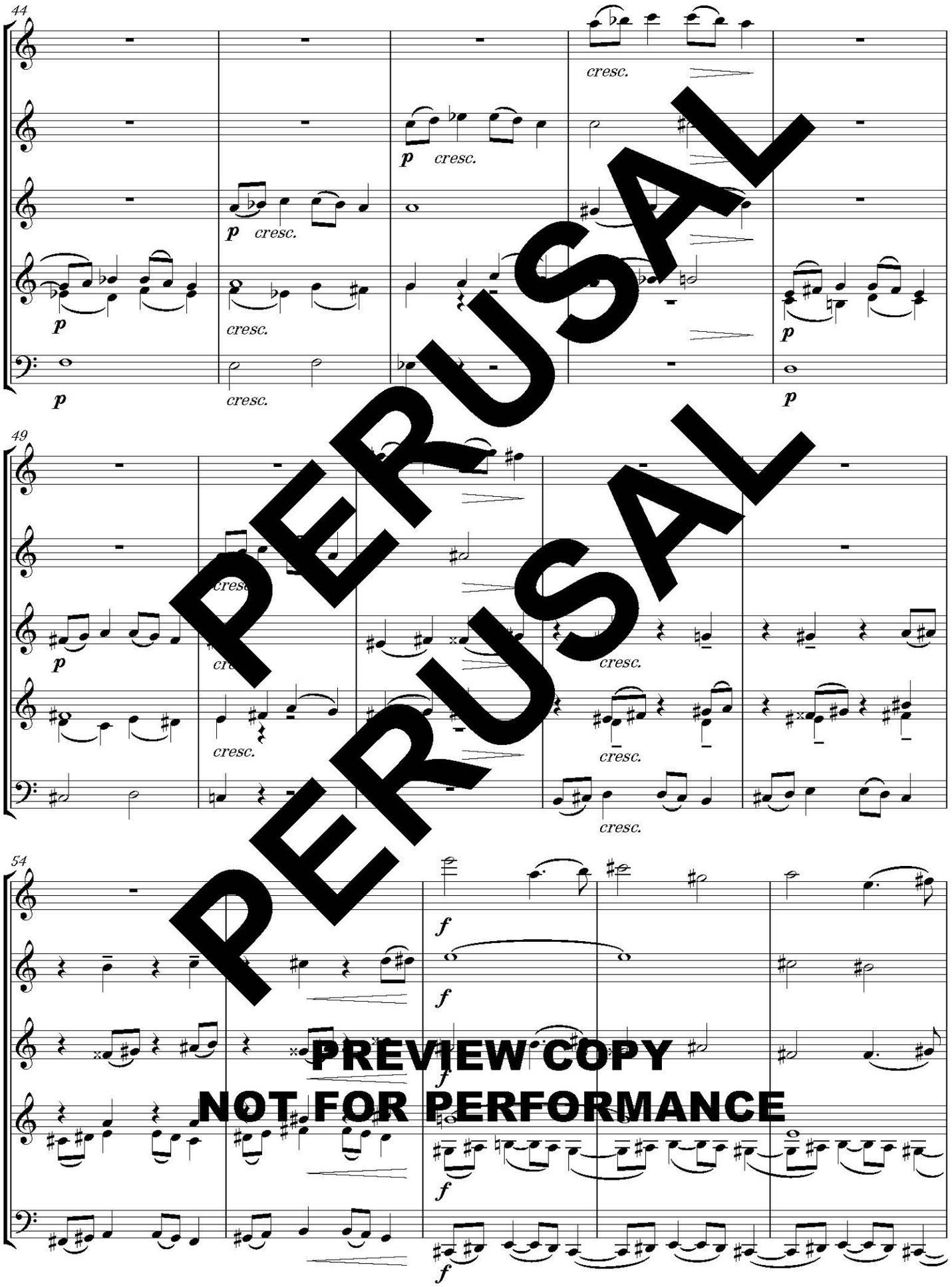

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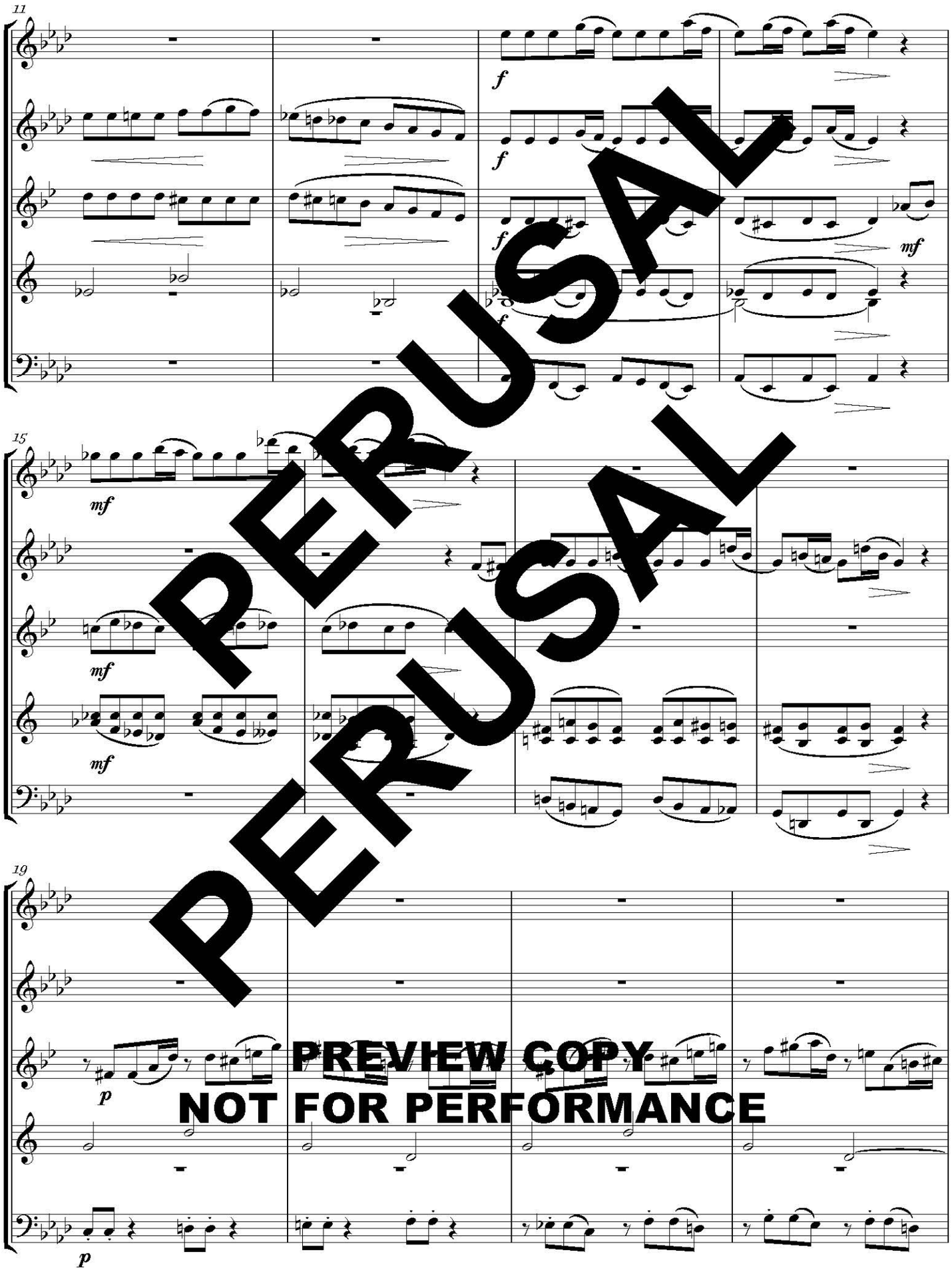

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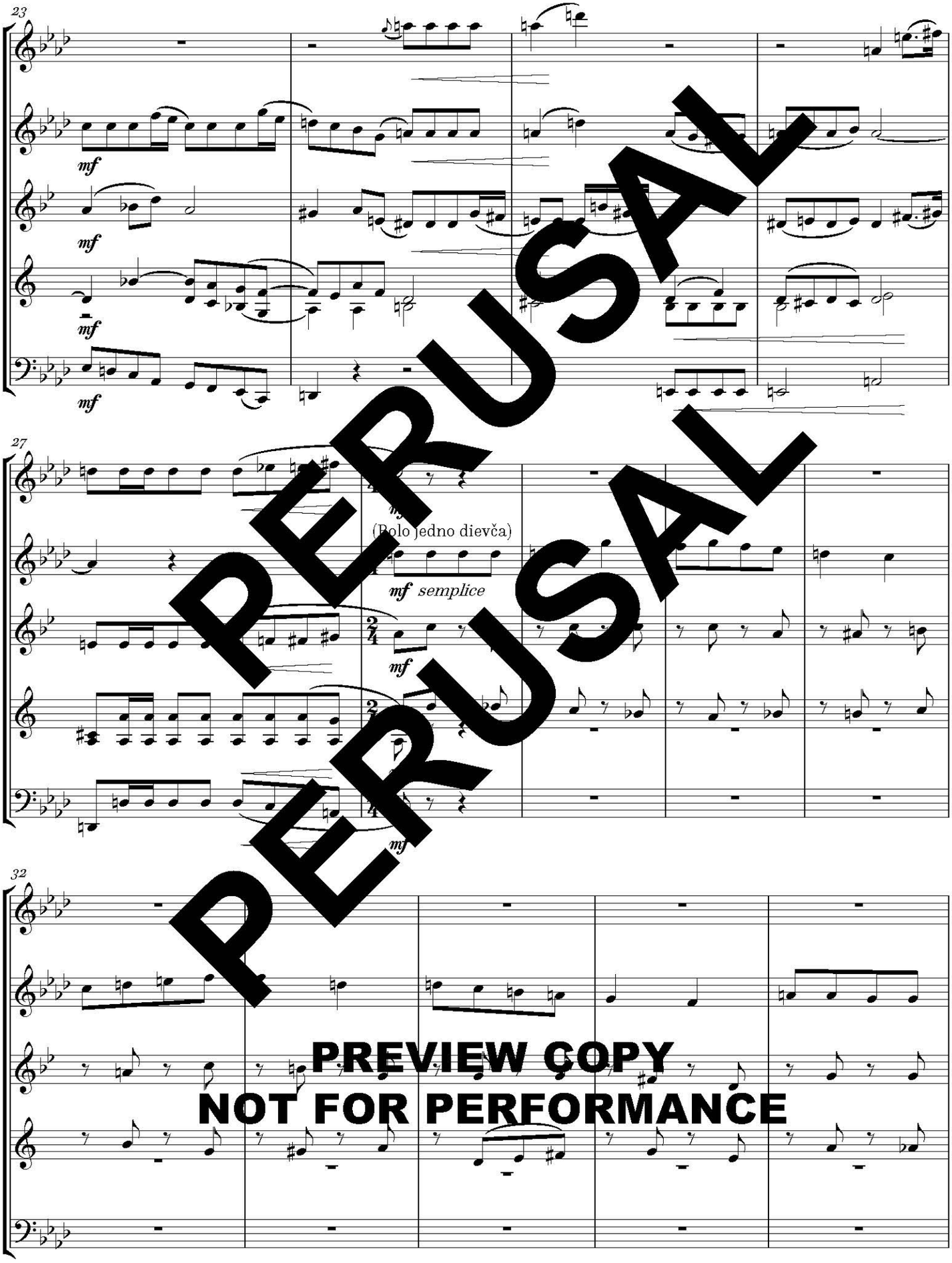

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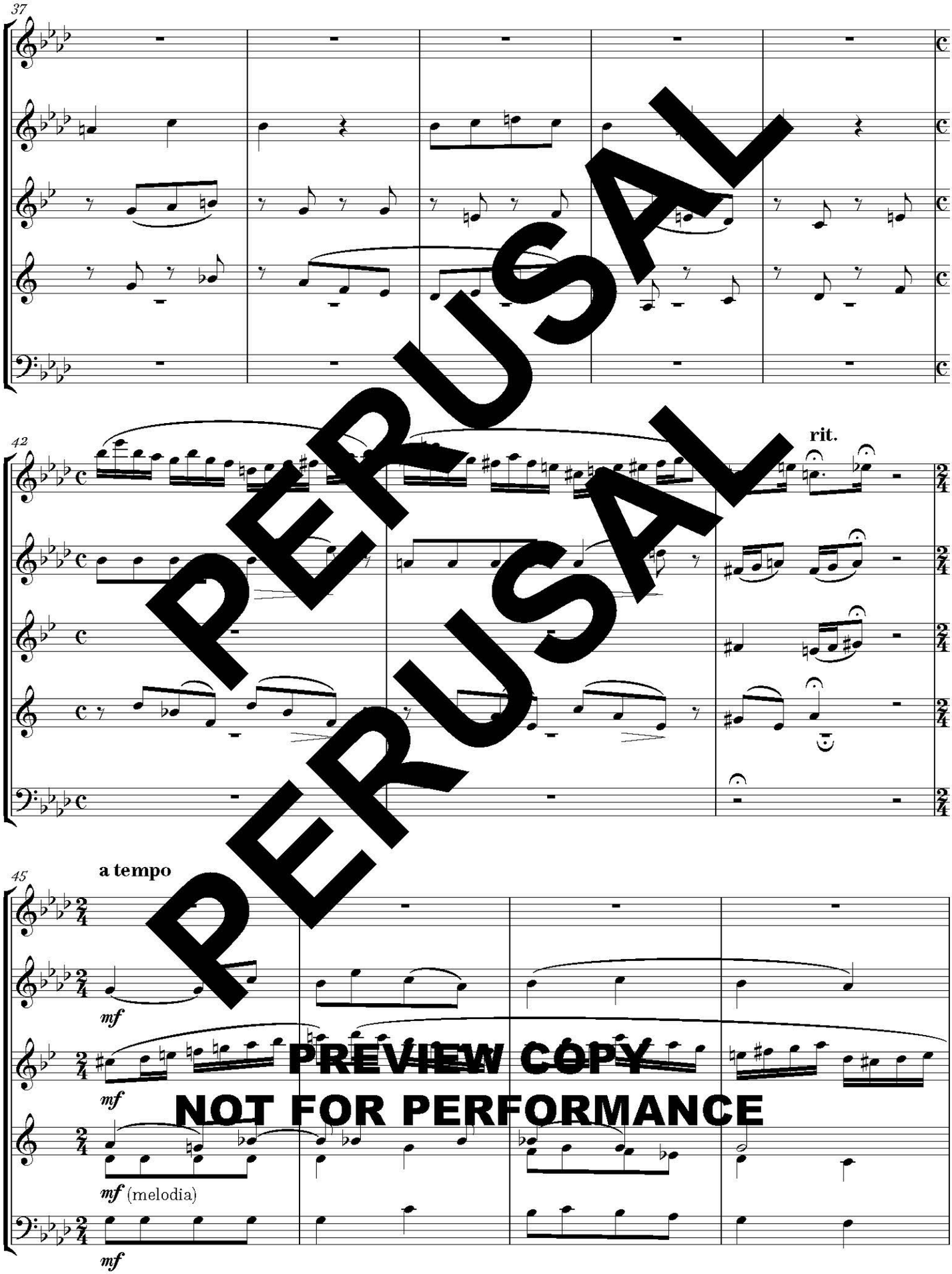

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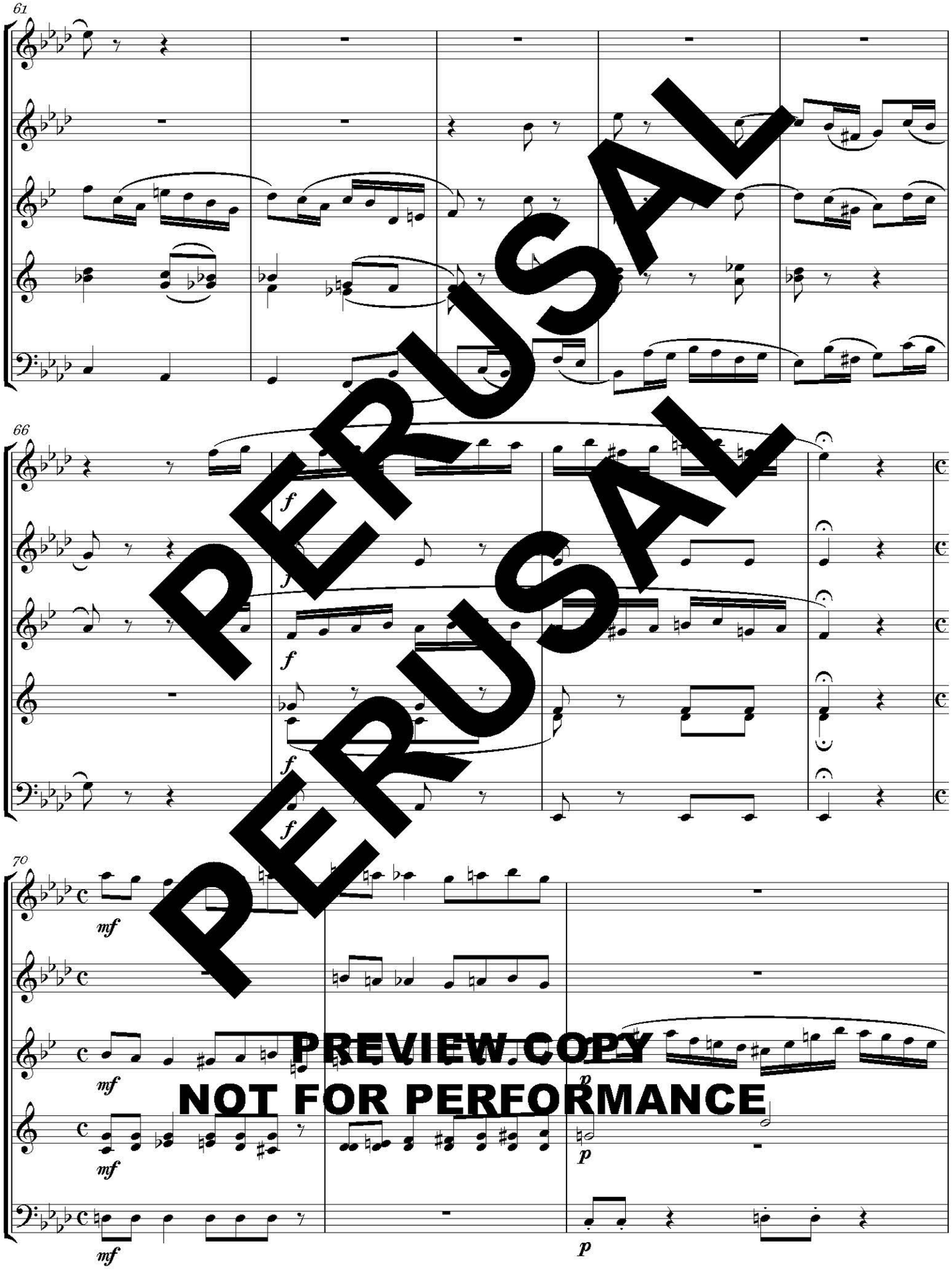

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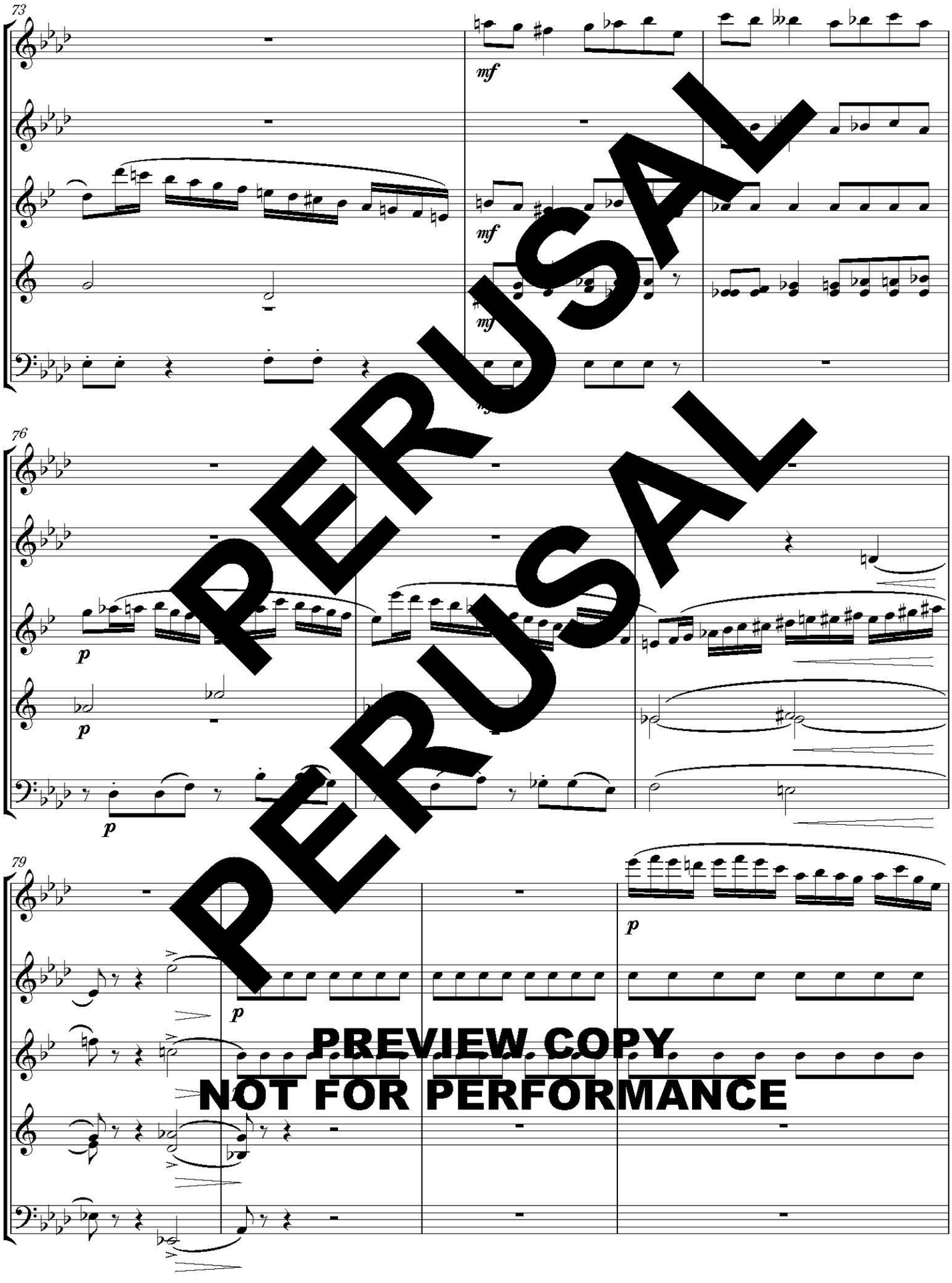

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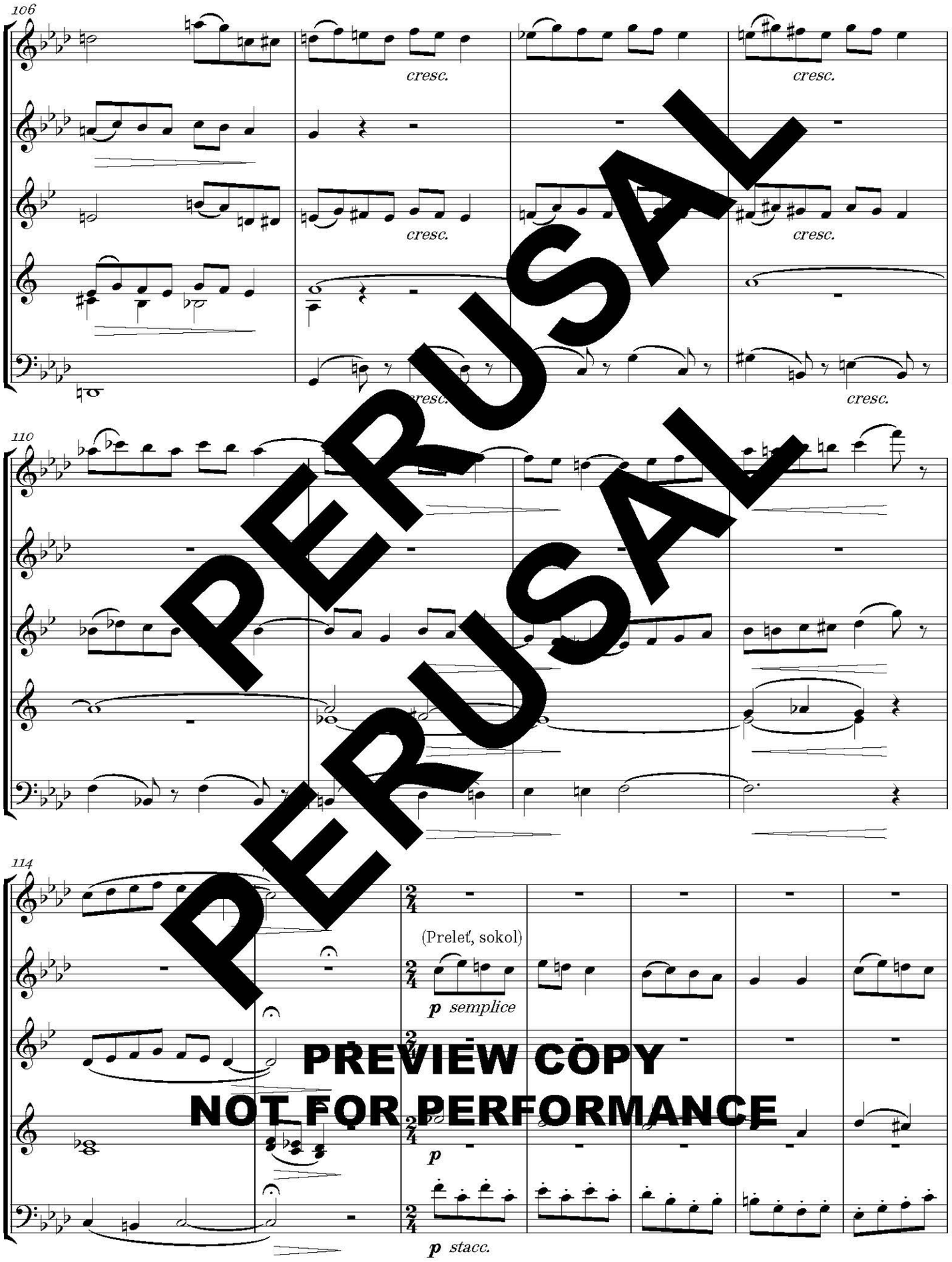

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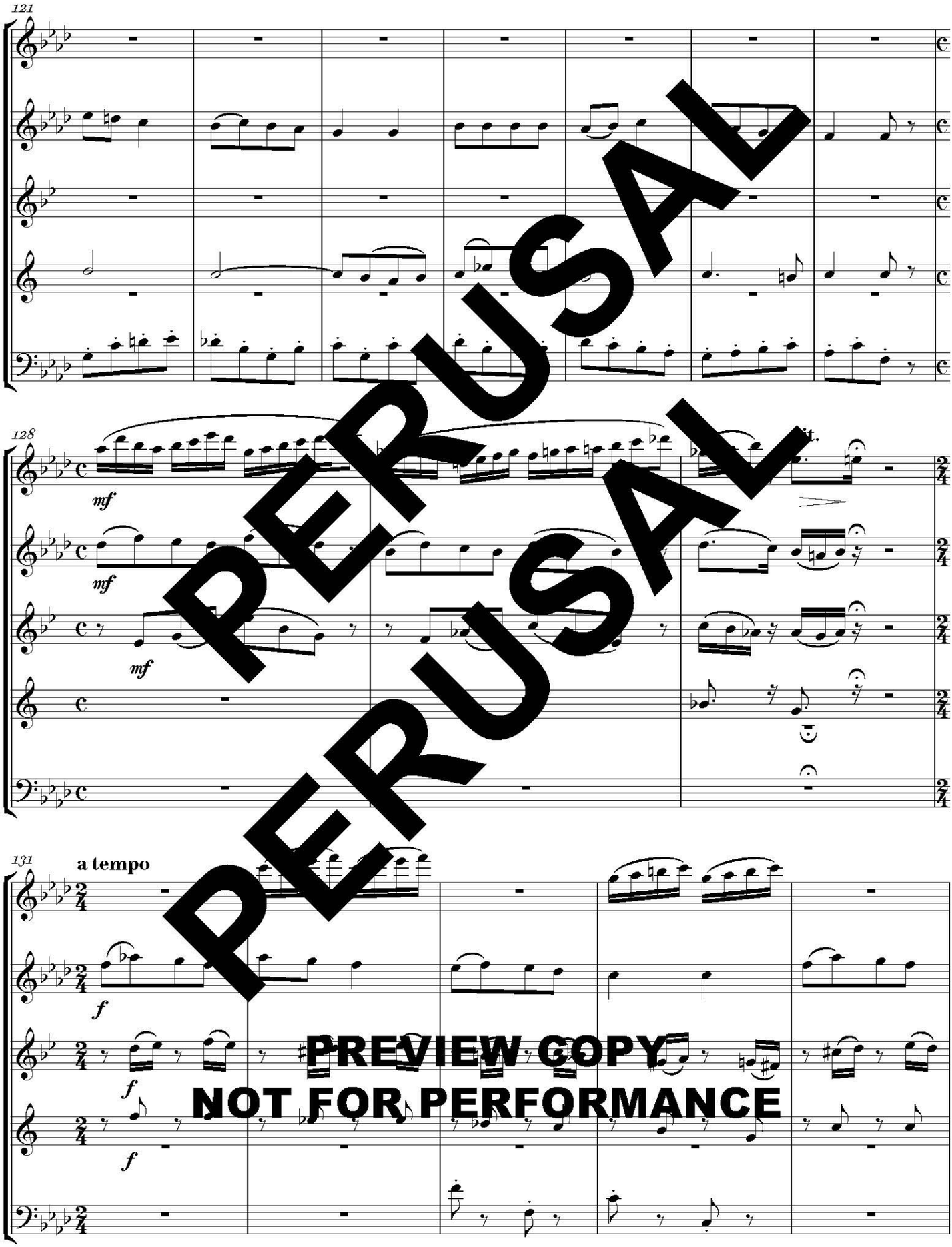

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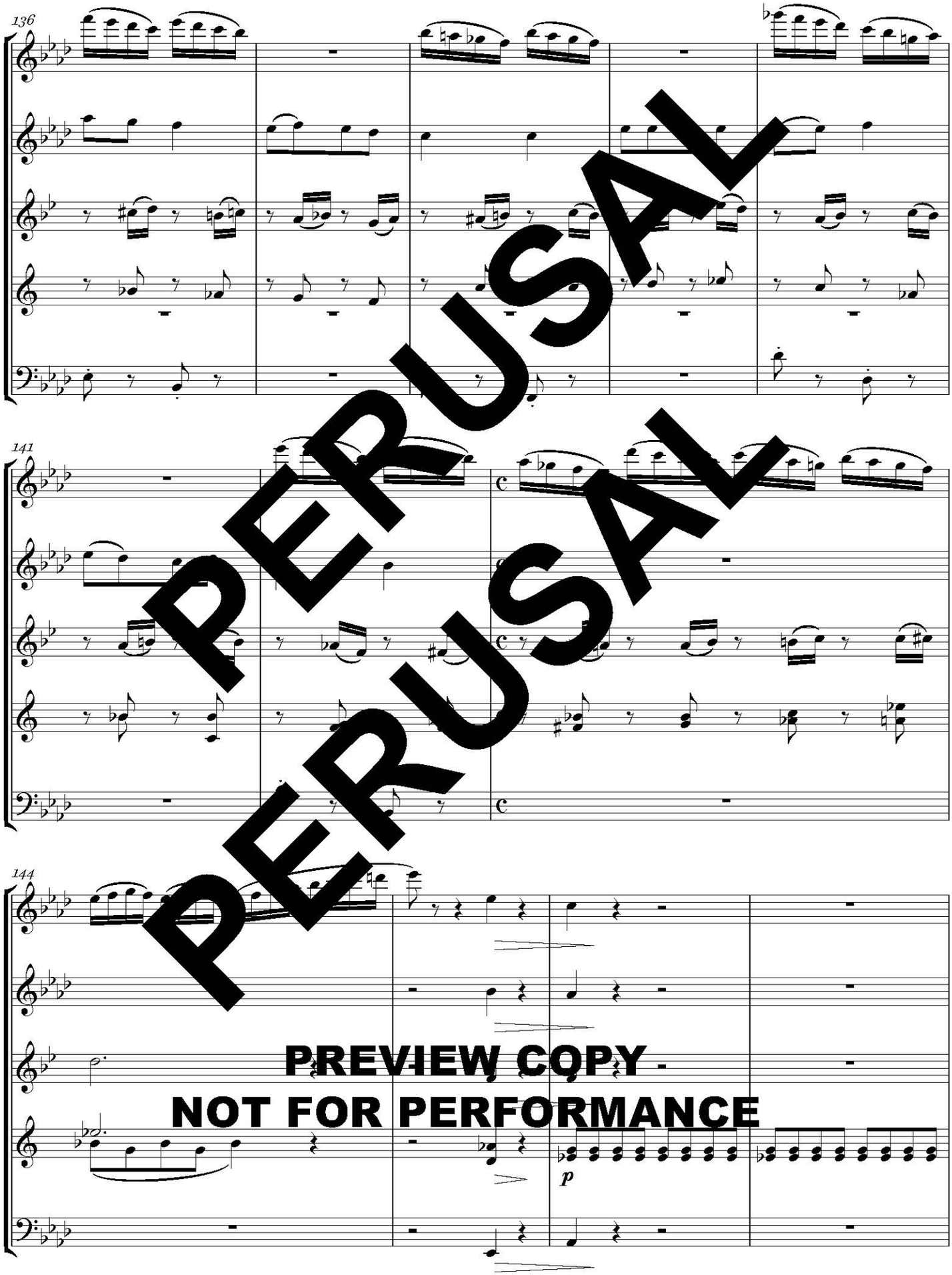

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Mikuláš Moyzes: *Dychové sexteto*

Slovenský skladateľ, pedagóg a organista Mikuláš Moyzes (6. 12. 1872 Zvolenská Slatina – 2. 4. 1944 Prešov) študoval na banskobystrickom gymnáziu a na učiteľskom ústave v Kláštore pod Znievom. Uplatnenie našiel sprvu ako organista a učiteľ v rôznych uhorských mestách (v Jágri, Veľkom Varadíne a Čurgove), kde sa profiloval predovšetkým ako plodný a úspešný autor sakrálnej hudby. Od roku 1908 až do svojej smrti pôsobil v Prešove, kde vyučoval na dievčenskom učiteľskom ústave. Hudobný prejav Mikuláša Moyzesa tvarovala predovšetkým estetika romantizmu („To, čo nevyvrelo z duše skladateľa, nemôže preniknúť k duši poslucháča"), ľudová pieseň, ale aj vynikajúca znalosť hudby J. S. Bacha. Zameranie jeho tvorby bolo počiatočne diktované predovšetkým potrebami katolíckej liturgie a pedagogickými povinnosťami. Po vzniku ČSR v roku 1918 sa však Moyzesova skladateľská aktivita výrazne rozšírila a zintenzívnila: väčšina jeho svetských či inštrumentálnych skladieb pochádza práve z medzivojnového obdobia.

V tomto kontexte vyniká najmä jeho komorná produkcia. V období medzi rokmi 1926 až 1944 napísal sedem závažných cyklických kompozícií pre sláčikové kvartetá (*č. 1 D dur*, 1926; *č. 2 a mol*, 1935; *č. 3 fis mol*, 1935; *č. 4 G dur*, 1943), ktoré svojím významom nadväzujú na kvartetové dielo generáciu staršieho Jána Levoslava Bellu, a dve skladby pre dychový súbor, *Dychové sexteto* (1934) a *Dychové kvinteto* (1935). Práve tridsiate roky boli z hľadiska slovenskej literatúry pre dychový súbor mimoriadne plodné vďaka príspevkom Ľudovíta Rajtera (*Serenáda*, 1931), Eugena Suchoňa (*Serenáda*, op. 5, 1933), Jána Cikkera (*Scherzino*, op. 12, 1934), Alexandra Moyzesa (*Kvinteto pre dychové nástroje B dur*, op. 17a, 1933), Ladislava Holoubka (*Dychové kvinteto*, op. 17, 1938) a Dezidera Kardoša (*Kvinteto pre päť dychových nástrojov*, op. 6, 1939). Inšpiráciou tohto rozkvetu bolo bezpochyby aj vynikajúce interpretačné umenie Pražského dychového kvinteta (Oldřich Hertl – flauta, Václav Smetáček – hoboj, Vladimír Bělha – klarinet, Otakar Procházka – lesný roh, Karel Pivoda – fagot), s ktorým mali priamu skúsenosť mnohí mladší slovenskí autori. Už názvy uvedených skladieb však svedčia, že svoju úlohu zohrali i vtedy aktuálne klasicistické tendencie. Kým vo väčšine prípadov išlo o modernú reinterpretáciu či transformáciu vzdialenejšieho vzoru 18. storočia, u Mikuláša Moyzesa môžeme hovoriť o priamom nadviazaní na ideály viedenského klasicizmu. *Dychové sexteto* vo svojej štruktúre vychádza z tradičného trojčasťového pôdorysu (*Allegretto – Andante sostenuto – Finale. Allegro vivace*) a vyznačuje sa súmernou a prehľadnou formou, konvenčnými tonálno-harmonickými vzťahmi a celkovou odľahčenosťou a úspornosťou hudobných prostriedkov: tieto nosné klasicistické črty obohatil Moyzes slovenskými ľudovými piesňami, ktoré nielen cituje, ale i využíva pri rozvádzaní práce. Integrácia folklórneho materiálu je stále prirodzená a organická, Moyzes ho nikdy neuplatňuje v priamych témach, ale len vo vedľajších. V prvej časti ide o citát piesne *Hrala som ja na potôčku* a v tretej *Pod okienkom jedno dievča*. Inovatívnym prvkom je netradičné obsadenie skladby: dychové sexteto pre flautu, klarinet, fagot a dva lesné rohy je v hudobnej literatúre ozajstnou raritou.

Ako predlohu pre toto vydanie nám poslúžila fotokópia rukopisu z osobného fondu Františka Matúša v Štátnom archíve v Prešove. Za zmienku stojí alternatívne tempové označenie prvej časti, ktoré je v rukopise dopísané autorovou rukou menším písmom: *Allegretto con anima* ♩. = *76*. Dúfame, že naše vydanie *Dychového sexteta* – prvé po deväťdesiatich rokoch od vzniku skladby – prispeje k objektívnejšiemu poznaniu a lepšiemu rozšíreniu bohatého a cenného skladateľského odkazu Mikuláša Moyzesa.

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Mikuláš Moyzes: *Wind Sextet*

Slovak composer, pedagogue, and organist Mikuláš Moyzes (Zvolenská Slatina, 6 December 1872 – Prešov, 2 April 1944) studied at the grammar school in Banská Bystrica and at the teachers' institute in Kláštor pod Znievom. He initially found employment as organist and teacher in various towns of the Kingdom of Hungary (in Eger, Oradea and Csurgó), where he became known primarily as a prolific and successful composer of sacred music. From 1908 until his death, he worked in Prešov, where he taught at the teachers' institute for girls. Moyzes' musical expression was shaped mainly by the aesthetics of Romanticism ("What does not spring from the soul of the composer cannot speak to the soul of the listener"), folk song, and an excellent knowledge of the music of J. S. Bach. His creative work was initially driven mainly by the demands of Catholic liturgy and teaching responsibilities. However, after the establishment of Czechoslovakia in 1918, Moyzes' compositional activity significantly expanded and intensified; in fact, most of his secular and instrumental works stem from the interwar period.

His chamber production stands out in this context. Between 1926 and 1943, he composed six substantial chamber works: four string quartets (*No. 1 in D major*, 1926; *No. 2 in A minor*, 1929; *No. 3 in F sharp minor*, 1932; *No. 4 in G major*, 1943), which follow in the footsteps of the quartet output of Ján Levoslav Bella, a generation older, and three compositions for wind ensemble, the *Wind Serenade* (1934) and the *Wind Quintet* (1935). The 1930s were a particularly fertile period for Slovak wind ensemble repertoire highlighted by contributions from Ľudovít Rajter (*Serenade*, 1931), Eugen Suchoň (*Serenade*, Op. 5, 1933), Juraj Cikker (*Scherzino*, Op. 12, 1934), Alexander Moyzes (*Quintet for Wind Instruments in B-flat major*, Op. 2, 1933), Ladislav Holoubek (*Wind Quintet*, Op. 7, 1933) and Dezider Kardoš (*Quintet for Five Wind Instruments*, Op. 3). This flourishing was undoubtedly inspired by the exceptional interpretive artistry of the Prague Wind Quintet (Rudolf Hertl – flute, Václav Smetáček – oboe, Vladimír Říha – clarinet, Otakar Procházka – French horn, Karel Bidlo – bassoon), with whom all these composers had direct experience. The titles of said compositions suggest that contemporary neoclassical tendencies also played a role. While in most cases this involved a modern reinterpretation or transformation of 18th-century musical principles, in the case of Mikuláš Moyzes we can speak of a direct continuation of the ideals of Viennese Classicism. The *Wind Sextet*, in its structure, is based on the traditional three-movement form (*Allegretto – Andante sostenuto – Finale. Allegro vivace*) and is characterized by a symmetrical and clear form, conventional tonal and harmonic relations, and an overall lightness and economy of musical means: these essential Classical features were enriched by Moyzes with Slovak folk songs, which he not only quotes but also uses in the motivic work. The integration of this material is subtle and organic; Moyzes never emphasizes it in the main themes, only in the secondary ones. In the first movement, it is the song *Prala sobáka na Dunaju* and in the third movement *Preleť, sokol* and *Ej, ano, ano, ševca*. An innovative element is the very instrumentation of the composition: in wind literature, sextet for flute, oboe, clarinet, bassoon and two French horns is a true rarity.

A photocopy of the manuscript from the personal collection of František Matúš in the State Archives in Prešov served as the source for this edition. Worth mentioning is the alternative tempo marking of the first movement, which is written in smaller handwriting by the author in the manuscript: *Allegretto con anima* ♩. = *76*. We hope that our edition of the *Wind Sextet* – the first in ninety years since the compositions' inception – will contribute to a better understanding and broader dissemination of Mikuláš Moyzes' rich and valuable compositional legacy.

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