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Sunday, the 7th of March. The Gran Vía is gleaming in the sun, simulating a splendor that everyone believes to be true. But at that moment something is being hatched, an inner demon is materializing, but almost no one is aware of its silent gestures. How many people knew then what was coming? Probably only a handful. Fifteen men? Two women? A story of eternal, impossible love, a young journalist, an enlightened decorator, a boy who is alone, blackfeet, beggars, students, an ex-footballer who believes that football is a global metaphor, an astrologer beset by incomprehensible presentiments, a homesick African construction worker, an old unionist who thinks he is Franco, and his blind sister, convinced that Madrid is a miniature Aleph... And finally, Jusef Ahmed, with a pistol in his pocket, against his fate, against everybody, who has in his hands the power to save the world.

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