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The Chicago Blackhawks have signed Marian Hossa to a 12-year deal worth \$5.2 million per year.

Fantasy Impact: Hossa is essentially replacing Havlat in the lineup. Both are equally skilled, although my personal taste favors Hossa and he is certainly a lot more durable. Chicago is a young team and I expect all of their young, skilled forwards to improve on their previous production. Hossa's presence will ensure this. As for Hossa himself, his numbers could go up. No longer second fiddle to Pavel Datsyuk and Henrik Zetterberg (Patrick Kane doesn't compare to those guys), Hossa will see first-line PP time, which could see him back over the 90-point mark.

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With Hossa out of the picture - look for Henrik Zetterberg's numbers to fall back in line. He makes a great "buy low" candidate, although his price would still be high. It would be much higher if he was coming off of 90 points.