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Puerto Ricans Irizarry and Gil maneuver through pressure

GRAND CAYMAN, Cayman Islands, March 21, 2010 – First ranked team of Orlando Irizarry and Joseph Gil of Puerto Rico and the Canadian duo of Martin Reader and Ray Sewell continued their successful run advancing to the semi final round of the Cayman Islands Men's Beach Volleyball Tournament, the first stage of the 2010 NORCECA Circuit.

Irizarry and Gil now play against the USA Team of Jeff Moran and Ivan Mercer who entered the semi final phase through the loser's bracket in the double elimination event. Reader and Sewell will meet compatriots Maverick Match and Ben Saxton of Canada-2.

The Puerto Ricans had to play to the limit to win their two matches of Saturday. They first defeated Seth Burhanm and Lucas Wisniakowski of USA-2 by score of 14-21, 21-19, 15-13 and then Match and Saxton 15-21, 21-15, 15-13. Meanwhile, Reader and Sewell scored a 21-16, 21-14 victory against Puerto Rico-2 of Daniel Erazo and Erick Hadock and then beat Moran and Mercer 21-16, 21-11.

Americans Moran and Mercer kept their hopes alive by edging Jamaicans Mark Lewis and Dany Wilson 21-15, 16-21, 15-13 and Canadians Match and Saxton entered the semi finals with a 21-13, 21-9 win against Burhanm and Wisniakowski.

In the women's tournament, the teams of Puerto Rico, United States, Mexico and Canada have advanced to the semi final round.

Puerto Rico, represented by Yarleen Santiago and Dariam Acevedo, and the USA pair of Brooke Langston and Heather Lowe won Pools A and B respectively with perfect records.

On Sunday, Puerto Rico will meet Canada (Jamie Broder-Kristina Valjas) and USA will play Mexico (Martha Revuelta-Vanessa Virgen).

Santiago-Acevedo first defeated Jamaicans Cheryl Daley and Cherine Richards 21-13, 21-9 and followed with a 16-21, 22-20, 15-12 exciting victory over Mexicans Revuelta and Virgen.

Meanwhile, Langston-Lowe defeated Costa Ricans Natalia Alfaro and Ingrid Morales 21-19, 21-13 and Canadians Broder and Valjas by score of 21-18, 22-20.

Saturday Men's results: PUR-1 d. USA-2 (14-21, 21-19, 15-13), CAN-2 d. GUA (21-7, 21-15), CAN-1 d. PUR-2 (21-16, 21-14), USA-1 d. CAY-1 (21-18, 21-14), PUR-2 d. TTO (21-13, 21-13), ESA d. GUA (21-15, 18-21, 15-9), JAM d. CAY-1 (21-16, 21-7), USA-2 d. ARU (21-15, 25-23), PUR-1 d. CAN-2 (15-21, 21-15, 15-13), CAN-1 d. USA-1 (21-16, 21-11), JAM d. PUR-2 (19-21, 21-19, 15-12), USA-2 d. ESA (19-21, 21-9, 15-10), USA-1 d. JAM (21-15, 16-21, 15-13), CAN-2 d. USA-2 (21-13, 21-9).

Saturday Women's results: CAN d. SKN (21-9, 21-15), PUR d. JAM (21-13, 21-9), TTO d. SKN (21-17, 21-13), MEX d. GUA (21-15, 21-13), CAY-1 d. JAM (21-18, 21-17), USA d. CRC (21-19, 21-13), TTO d. CAY-2 (21-7, 21-11), PUR d. MEX (16-21, 22-20, 15-12), USA d. CAN (21-18, 22-20), GUA d. CAY-1 (21-11, 21-15), CRC d. CAY-2 (21-10, 21-5).

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