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Dominican Republic, Peru and Argentina are in quarterfinals

TIJUANA, Mexico, June 21, 2010 - Dominican Republic and Peru secured berths in the quarterfinals of the Women's Pan American Cup while USA kept its unbeaten record in Pool B of the competition.

The Dominicans battled Argentina in four sets, Peru beat Trinidad & Tobago in straight sets and USA scored an easy win against a decimated by injuries Costa Rica team on Monday.

Elsewhere, Brazil recorded its first victory in Pool A by defeating Canada in straight sets and Puerto Rico evened its record at 2-2 in Pool B with a 3-0 victory over Mexico.

Dominican Republic v Argentina
Dominican Republic scored its second victory in Pool A by defeating Argentina in 3-1 (25-14, 27-25, 26-28, 25-20). Both teams have 2-1 record and secured spots in the quarterfinals. Prisilla Rivera paced the Dominican team with 24 points, including four blocks while Annerys Vargas added 13 and Lisvel Eve contributed five blocks among her 11 points. Georgina Pinedo and Florencia Busquets had 13 and 11 for Argentina.

Peru v Trinidad & Tobago
Peru secured a place in the quarterfinals by claiming its third victory in Pool B, a straight-sets job (25-18, 25-23, 25-15) over Trinidad & Tobago. The losers dropped to 2-2 record. Karla Ortiz and Jessenia Uceda charted 12 points apiece for the winners. Trinidadian Kelly-Anne Billingy topped all the scorers with a match-high 18 points and Krystle Esdelle added 14.

USA v Costa Rica
USA beat a Costa Rica team decimated by injuries in straight sets (25-11, 25-10, 25-2) for its fourth win without losses in Pool B. Ogonna Nnamani laced 19 points to lead the winners while Foluke Akinradewo and Jordan Larson charted 13 and 12. The Americans totaled 15 blocks and had a 7-0 advantage in aces.

Brazil v Canada
Brazil finally reached its first victory after defeating Canada 3-0 (25-21, 28-26, 25-21) in a match of the Pool A played at Reforma Sports Complex. Sthefanie Tiele finished with 14 points as Brazil's top scorer, while Gabriela Guimaraes and Isabela Da Silveira, finished with 13 and 12 tallies respectively. Canadian Tammy Mahon finished as the best scorer of the game with 15 points, while Sarah Pavan and Jennifer Hinze had 14 and 11.

Puerto Rico v Mexico
Puerto Rico evened its record at 2-2 in Pool B after defeating Mexico in straight-sets (25-22, 25-14, 25-15) in the last match of Monday. Stephanie Enright and Tatiana Encarnacion compiled 13 and 12 points respectively for the winners and Sarai Alvarez added 8. Mexican Samantha Bricio led all the scorers with 16 points and Andrea Rangel added 10.

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