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Mazatlan hosts NORCECA Continental Cup Finals



Mazatlan, Mexico, June 18, 2012 – Teams representing eight countries -each composed by two duos- are ready to battle at the NORCECA Men's and Women's Continental Cup Finals, a beach volleyball competition to be held from June 21 to 23 in Mazatlan, Mexico, which grants to the winners in both genders one spot in the 2012 Olympic Games.

Teams of Cuba, Canada, Puerto Rico, Costa Rica, Guatemala, Nicaragua, El Salvador and hosts Mexico all went through the process of preliminary enquiries and technical meetings on Wednesday.

The teams that finish second and third here still will have a last chance to make it to London at the FIVB World Cup Qualification Tournament to be held in Moscow, Russia from June 27 to July 1, where two more Olympic passes are in offer.

Hosts Mexico men's, represented by the local stars Aldo Miramontes/Juan Virgen and brothers Ulises and Rodolfo Ontiveros will kick off the quarterfinals playing against El Salvador. The other contests of the round see Puerto Rico against Costa Rica, Cuba facing Guatemala and Canada taking of Nicaragua.

Hosts Mexico, represented by the local heroines Mayra Garcia/Bibiana Candelas and Vanessa Virgen/Martha Revuelta, will start playing Nicaragua in a best-of-five series of matches on Thursday morning. The other quarterfinals series feature Puerto Rico playing against Costa Rica, Canada challenging El Salvador and Cuba entertaining Guatemala.

Canada edged Cuba in a golden-set to grab the top place of the Central Zone of NORCECA Men's last year in Dominican Republic where Mexico defeated Puerto Rico for the third position.

Costa Rica outdueled Guatemala in a sensational golden set to claim first place

at the Inter Zonal Tournament at Montelimar, Nicaragua with Central American teams playing against teams representing countries from the Caribbean. Nicaragua defeated El Salvador for the third position.

Cuba claimed first place in the Central Zone of NORCECA Women's by outdueling Canada in a golden-set last year in Santo Domingo, where Mexico defeated Puerto Rico for third spot.

Costa Rica blanked El Salvador for the first spot, while Guatemala won a golden set against Nicaragua for third place when teams representing Central America played against those from the Caribbean Zone last February at Malpais, Costa Rica.

Argentina and Mauritius women's, from South America and Africa, respectively, were the first two countries qualified to the Olympics as Continental Cup winners. The European and Asian events will take place in Moscow, Russia (June 22-24) and Fuzhou, China (June 20-24).

Venezuela and South Africa men's are already qualified while the European and Asia events will be played in Alanya, Turkey (June 22-24) and Fuzhou, China (June 20-24).

Men's Teams

Canada-A: Joshua Binstock /Martin Reader
 Canada-B: Christian Redman/Benjamin Saxton
 Costa Rica-A: Julio Alvarez/Raúl Sandoval
 Costa Rica-B: Gilberto Villegas/Alexander Villegas
 Cuba-A: Karell Piña/Sergio González
 Cuba-B: Yaismel Borrell/Yadrian Escobar
 El Salvador-A: Jeovanny Medrano/David Vargas
 El Salvador-B: Luis Morales/Carlos Escobar
 Guatemala-A: Andy Leonardo/Erick Garrido
 Guatemala-B: Julio Recinos/Luis García
 México-A: Aldo Miramontes/ Juan Virgen
 México-B: Ulises Ontiveros/ Rodolfo Ontiveros
 Nicaragua-A: Gerald Umaña/Dany López
 Nicaragua-B: Henry Hernández/David Mayorga
 Puerto Rico-A: Roberto Rodriguez/Erick Haddock
 Puerto Rico-B: Orlando Irizarry/Pablo Guzmán

Women's Teams

Canada-A: Heather Bansley/Elizabeth Maloney
 Canada-B: Annie Martin/ Marie Andree Lessard
 Costa Rica-A: Ingrid Morales/Natalia Alfaro
 Costa Rica-B: Katherine Quesada/Eugenia Ramírez
 Cuba-A: Kirenia Ballard/Onayamis Sinal
 Cuba-B: Niriam Sinal/ Ion Canet/
 El Salvador-A: Diana Romero/Marcela Ávalos
 El Salvador-B: Kathya Vásquez/María Vargas
 Guatemala-A: Ingrid López/Lourdes Ramirez
 Guatemala-B: Nadia Galán/Ana Villagrán
 México-A: Mayra Garcia/Bibiana Candelas
 México-B: Vanessa Virgen/Martha Revuelta
 Nicaragua-A: Amalia Hernández/Lolette Rodríguez
 Nicaragua-B: Elia Torres/Swan Mendoza
 Puerto Rico-A: Yarleen Santiago/Yamilaska Yantin
 Puerto Rico-B: Dariam Avecedo/Tatiana Encarnación.

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