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## Argentina and Peru reach the Semifinals

HERMOSILLO, Mexico, July 21, 2023.- Argentina and Peru reach the semifinals at the fifth edition of the U23 Women's Pan American Cup after winning in Friday's quarterfinals at the Sonora Arena in Hermosillo, Mexico.

Argentina beat Canada 3-0 (25-19, 25-18, 25-18) to face reigning champions Dominican Republic in Saturday's semifinal at 6:00pm. Peru swept Costa Rica 3-0 (25-10, 25-14, 25-9) and will play against the host Mexico in semifinals at 8:00pm.

In classification matches for positions 5 to 8 on Saturday, Honduras goes against Canada at 2:00pm and Cuba faces Costa Rica at 4:00pm.

### Peru 3, Costa Rica 0

Peru swept Costa Rica 3-0 (25-10, 25-14, 25-9) in quarterfinals to reach the semifinal. Peru is set to meet host Mexico in semifinals and Costa Rica will play against Cuba in a classification match for positions 5 to 8. Peru was dominant the entire match while pressing Costa Rica's offense and defense. The South Americans led with a huge 41 to 18 points from attacks, 7 to one in blocks and 6-0 in aces. Peru committed 14 unforced errors and Costa Rica 21. Peruvian outside hitter Kiara Vicente topped all scorers with 17 points on 13 kills, one block and three points from serves. Also joining the winning campaign were middle blocker Jade Rodriguez with 12 points and outside hitter Daniela Muñoz adding 10 attacking points.



for Canada.

### Argentina 3, Canada 0

Argentina beat Canada 3-0 (25-19, 25-18, 25-18). Argentina will most likely face reigning champions Dominican Republic in semifinals, Peru and Costa Rica are yet to play in the other quarterfinal; while Canada will play classification matches for positions 5 to 8 starting with Honduras. Argentina was dominant in the first set jumping to a 12-5 lead, Canada battled hard scoring six points in a row, but Argentina kept the lead. In the second set Argentina recovered from a three-point deficit (9-12) to an even 13 to finish with a comfortable lead. Argentina led from an even 14 point forward in the third and final set. Argentina held a 38 to 28 advantage in kills, producing 9 points from blocks against 4 and a slight 4-3 margin in points from serves. Argentina committed 20 unforced errors and Canada 24. Two players of Argentina scored double figures, outside hitter Milena Margaria with 11 attacking points and middle blocker Avril García adding 10 points, including a match-high of 5 blocks. Lucy Burowski and Raya Surinx scored 9 and 8 points respectively