



NORCECA **Women Final Four**

June 3rd - 8th, 2026
Ponce, Puerto Rico

DAILY BULLETIN 2
June 5th, 2026

Día / Day	Hora / Time	COMP. VENUE SALVADOR DIJOLS	Hora / Time	
03-06-26	12:00			
	13:30			
	15:00			
	16:30			
04-06-26			PRELIMINARY INQUIRY	
	8:30	CUB	Time	Country
	10:00	CRC	9:00	PUR
	11:30	MEX	9:45	MEX
	13:00	PUR	10:30	CUB
			11:15	
			12:00	CRC
	19:00	PRACTICAL CLINIC		
	8:30	MEX		
	10:00	CUB		
	11:30	CRC		
13:00	PUR			
05-06-26	19:00	CUB vs MEX		
	21:00	PUR vs CRC		
06-06-26	8:30	CRC		
	10:00	MEX		
	11:30	CUB		
	13:00	PUR		
	19:00	CRC vs MEX		
	21:00	PUR vs CUB		
07-06-26	8:00	CUB		
	9:30	CRC		
	11:00	MEX		
	12:30	PUR		
	17:00	CUB vs CRC		
	19:00	PUR vs MEX		

Calendario y Formato de Competencia
Competition Format and Match Schedule

MAIN COMPETITION HALL

No.	Date	Time	Teams		Set	Result per set (points)					
						1	2	3	4	5	
1	5-jun	19:00	CUB	vs	MEX	0-3	19-25	10-25	23-25		
2	5-jun	21:00	PUR	vs	CRC	3-0	25-19	25-16	25-12		
3	6-jun	19:00	MEX	vs	CRC						
4	6-jun	21:00	PUR	vs	CUB						
5	7-jun	17:00	CUB	vs	CRC						
6	7-jun	19:00	PUR	vs	MEX						



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P-4 Collated results & ranking

Results as of 5 June 2026



MATCHES RESULTS

Round Robin

No	Date	Teams	Set	Result per set (points)					Total Points	Duration	Spectators
				1	2	3	4	5			
1	05-Jun-2026	CUB - MEX	0-3	19-25	10-25	23-25			52-75	1:28	150
2	05-Jun-2026	PUR - CRC	3-0	25-19	25-16	25-12			75-47	1:32	350

TEAM RANKING

Round Robin

Rk	Code	Team	Matches				Pts	Results details						Sets			Points		
			W	L	T			3-0	3-1	3-2	2-3	1-3	0-3	W	L	Ratio	W	L	Ratio
1	PUR	Puerto Rico	1	0	1	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	MAX	75	47	1.595	
2	MEX	Mexico	1	0	1	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	MAX	75	52	1.442	
3	CUB	Cuba	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0.000	52	75	0.693	
4	CRC	Costa Rica	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0.000	47	75	0.626	





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[P-2] Match result

Round Robin



Match: 1 **Date:** 05/06/2026 **Spectators:** 150
City: Ponce
Hall: Cancha Salvador Dijols
Match duration: **Start:** 19:00 **End:** 20:28 **Total:** 1:28

Teams	Sets	1	2	3	4	5	Total
CUB	0	19	10	23			52
MEX	3	25	25	25			75
Duration:		0:33	0:18	0:29			1:20

Referees: 1st: Yamil Gomez Rodriguez (PUR) 2nd: Tatiana Villalobos Vargas (CRC)

CUB - Cuba														
No	Name	Pos.	Line-up					Points by set					T.	
			1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5		
2	Martinez	OH	2	2	2			4	1	4				9
6	Peña	OP	23	20	4				1	2				3
8	Sanchez (L)	L												
15	Aguilera	MB	3	3	3			2		3				5
16	Attilah (L)	L	L	L	L									
17	Gomez	OH												
19	Suarez (C)	MB	6	6	6				1	3				4
20	Fine	OP	4	4	27			3	1	1				5
23	Macaró	S	1	1	6				1					1
25	Vila	OH		2										
27	Garraway	S	20	23	1					1				1
99	Madan	OH	5	5	5			5	1	3				9
Coach:														
Assistant:														

MEX - Mexico														
No	Name	Pos.	Line-up					Points by set					T.	
			1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5		
1	Guereca	OH	33	33	33					1				1
2	Bricio	OH	3	2	3				3	5	3			11
3	Maldonado	OH	5	4	5				5	7	6			18
6	Castro	OH	6	5	6				2	4	4			10
7	Ung A.	S	2	1	2				2		3			5
8	Ovalle	OP												
10	Marquez	MB												
11	Urias (C)	MB	1	6	1				1	1	1			3
12	Landeros (L)	L	L	L	L									
13	Tanguma	MB												
15	Rivera	S												
16	Muñoz	OH												
20	Topete	OH												
33	F. Gamez	MB	4	3	4				4	1	3			8
Coach: Nicola Negro														
Assistant: Marinho Ferreira Alexandre														

TEAMS AND PLAYERS PERFORMANCES

Won Points	Total Atts	No	Name
31	99	Total Team	
9	23	99	Madan
8	22	2	Martinez
5	15	20	Fine
6	34	Total Team	
3	13	19	Suarez
1	2	2	Martinez
1	2	6	Peña
0	54	Total Team	
0	13	2	Martinez
0	3	6	Peña
0	0	8	Sanchez
15		Total Team	
52	187	Total Team	
9	37	2	Martinez
9	29	99	Madan
5	35	15	Aguilera

Scoring Skills
Attack
Block
Serve
Opp. error
Total
Best scorers

Won Points	Total Atts	No	Name
42	108	Total Team	
14	40	3	Maldonado
10	26	6	Castro
9	26	2	Bricio
7	27	Total Team	
4	10	33	F. Gamez
2	6	3	Maldonado
1	2	7	Ung A.
7	73	Total Team	
2	13	2	Bricio
2	10	3	Maldonado
2	24	7	Ung A.
19		Total Team	
75	208	Total Team	
18	56	3	Maldonado
11	42	2	Bricio
10	35	6	Castro

■ Starting line-up with position Atts = Attempts (C) = Captain MB = Middle blocker S = Setter
□ Substitute with shirt number Opp. = Opponent (L) / L = Libero OP = Opposite OH = Outside Hitter





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[P-2] Match result

Round Robin



Match: 2 **Date:** 05/06/2026 **Spectators:** 350
City: Ponce
Hall: Cancha Salvador Dijols
Match duration: **Start:** 21:18 **End:** 22:40 **Total:** 1:32

Teams	Sets	1	2	3	4	5	Total
PUR	3	25	25	25			75
CRC	0	19	16	12			47
Duration:		0:41	0:24	0:21			1:26

Referees: 1st: Claudia Julieta Cervantes Garcia (MEX) 2nd: Lourdes Perez Perez (CUB)

PUR - Puerto Rico														
No	Name	Pos.	Line-up					Points by set					T.	
			1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5		
1	Garcia	OH	26	5	26						1			1
5	Rivera W. (C)	S	1	2	1			1		1				2
6	Nogueras	S		26	5					1				1
8	Vazquez	OH	2	3	2			3	3	2				8
9	Correa (L)	L		L	L									
15	Rodriguez	MB	6	1	6			6	2	1				9
17	Champion	OH	5	6	5			4	5	2				11
18	Hernandez	MB			3					2				2
24	Valle (L)	L	L	L										
25	Baez	MB			15					1				1
26	Gonzalez	OP	4	5	4			4	6	3				13
27	Rosado	OH			17					1				1
29	Jusino	MB	3	4				2	1					3
37	Mangual	OH	29	29	8									

Coach: Juan Carlos Nunez
Assistant: Mielles Monge Jose

CRC - Costa Rica															
No	Name	Pos.	Line-up					Points by set					T.		
			1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5			
2	Abarca	OH	20	1	10						2				2
3	Solano (L)	L	L	L	L										
4	Barley	OH	4		5					3		2		5	
6	Vargas	OH	1	2	21			1						1	
9	Barrantes	S	11	6	15					1				1	
10	Álvarez	S	6	11	6			3						3	
11	S. Marín (C)	OP	3	3	4			4	1	2				7	
15	Blackwood	OH	10	9	3					1	2			3	
16	León	MB													
17	Alfaro	MB	5	5	2			1	1					2	
20	C. Matinez	MB	2	2				2	1					3	
21	Venegas	OH	6	4	1					5	1			6	

Coach: Ciro Zoratti
Assistant: José Miguel Briceño Torres

TEAMS AND PLAYERS PERFORMANCES

Won Points	Total Atts	No	Name
35	78	Total Team	
12	27	26	Gonzalez
9	17	17	Champion
5	11	8	Vazquez
10	35	Total Team	
4	9	15	Rodriguez
2	4	8	Vazquez
1	4	17	Champion
7	74	Total Team	
2	11	5	Rivera W.
1	4	6	Nogueras
1	20	8	Vazquez
23		Total Team	
75	187	Total Team	

13	39	26	Gonzalez
11	28	17	Champion
9	23	15	Rodriguez

Scoring Skills	Won Points	Total Atts	No	Name
Attack	30	92	Total Team	
	7	20	11	S. Marín
	6	21	21	Venegas
	5	14	4	Barley
Block	2	17	Total Team	
	1	5	17	Alfaro
	1	1	20	C. Matinez
	0	0	2	Abarca
Serve	1	48	Total Team	
	1	3	15	Blackwood
	0	2	2	Abarca
	0	0	3	Solano
Opp. error	14		Total Team	
	47	157	Total Team	
Best scorers	7	32	11	S. Marín
	6	26	21	Venegas
	5	21	4	Barley

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[P-5] Players ranking by skills

All matches



Best Scorers

Rk	No	Name	Pos.	Team	Attack	Block	Serve	Total
1	3	Maldonado Diaz Sofia	OH	MEX	14	2	2	18
2	26	Gonzalez Aponte Nayeli Nahir	OP	PUR	12	0	1	13
3	2	Bricio Samantha	OH	MEX	9	0	2	11
	17	Champion Decelise Annalee	OH	PUR	9	1	1	11
5	6	Castro López Grecia Esther	OH	MEX	10	0	0	10
6	2	Martinez Luis Evilania	OH	CUB	8	1	0	9
	99	Madan Rosales Dezirett De La Caridad	OH	CUB	9	0	0	9
	15	Rodriguez De Jesus Adriana	MB	PUR	4	4	1	9
9	33	Flores Gamez Karina Angelica	MB	MEX	4	4	0	8
	8	Vazquez Gomez Valeria	OH	PUR	5	2	1	8
11	11	Sayles Marin Tatiana	OP	CRC	7	0	0	7
12	21	Venegas Grant Maria del Sol	OH	CRC	6	0	0	6
13	4	Barley Morgan Nhya Raldisha	OH	CRC	5	0	0	5
	15	Aguilera Carbajal Jessica	MB	CUB	4	1	0	5
	20	Fine Martinez Greisy	OP	CUB	5	0	0	5
	7	Ung Enriquez Gloria Argentina	S	MEX	2	1	2	5
17	19	Suarez Hernandez Laura Beatriz	MB	CUB	1	3	0	4
18	10	Álvarez Cortés Sheyla Dayana	S	CRC	3	0	0	3
	15	Blackwood Bennett Ivanny Sey	OH	CRC	2	0	1	3
	20	Martinez Wilson Charlotte Elizabeth	MB	CRC	2	1	0	3
	6	De La Peña Gonzalez Yalain Regla	OP	CUB	2	1	0	3
	11	Urias Jocelyn	MB	MEX	3	0	0	3
	29	Jusino Ana Sofia	MB	PUR	2	1	0	3
24	2	Abarca Mora Melina Ester	OH	CRC	2	0	0	2
	17	Alfaro Bolaños Maria Fernanda	MB	CRC	1	1	0	2
	5	Rivera Wilmarie	S	PUR	0	0	2	2
	18	Hernandez Alba	MB	PUR	1	1	0	2
28	6	Vargas Vargas Krystel Fiorella	OH	CRC	1	0	0	1
	9	Barrantes Vega Lucía	S	CRC	1	0	0	1
	23	Oliva Macaro Sheyla de la Caridad	S	CUB	1	0	0	1
	27	Garraway Mustelier Daykelin de Regla	S	CUB	1	0	0	1
	1	Guereca Parra Uxue Amaya	OH	MEX	0	0	1	1
	1	Garcia Melendez Nataly Michelle	OH	PUR	1	0	0	1
	6	Nogueras Jennifer	S	PUR	0	0	1	1
	25	Baez Carlo Marcelle	MB	PUR	0	1	0	1
	27	Rosado Flecha Valeria Enid	OH	PUR	1	0	0	1
Total tournament					138	25	15	178





Best Attackers

Limit:15.00%

Rk	No	Name	Pos.	Team	Attacks	Faults	Shots	Total Attempts	Succ. %
1	17	Champion Decelise Annalee	OH	PUR	9	0	8	17	52.94
2	26	Gonzalez Aponte Nayeli Nahir	OP	PUR	12	4	11	27	44.44
3	99	Madan Rosales Dezirett De La Caridad	OH	CUB	9	5	9	23	39.13
4	6	Castro López Grecia Esther	OH	MEX	10	2	14	26	38.46
5	2	Martinez Luis Evilania	OH	CUB	8	4	10	22	36.36
6	4	Barley Morgan Nhya Raldisha	OH	CRC	5	4	5	14	35.71
7	11	Sayles Marin Tatiana	OP	CRC	7	5	8	20	35.00
	3	Maldonado Diaz Sofia	OH	MEX	14	10	16	40	35.00
9	2	Bricio Samantha	OH	MEX	9	2	15	26	34.62
10	20	Fine Martinez Greisy	OP	CUB	5	5	5	15	33.33
Total tournament					138	59	180	377	36.60



Best Blockers

Rk	No	Name	Pos.	Team	Kill Blocks	Faults	Rebounds	Total Attempts	Avg. by set
1	33	Flores Gamez Karina Angelica	MB	MEX	4	0	6	10	1.33
	15	Rodriguez De Jesus Adriana	MB	PUR	4	0	5	9	1.33
3	19	Suarez Hernandez Laura Beatriz	MB	CUB	3	3	7	13	1.00
4	3	Maldonado Diaz Sofia	OH	MEX	2	3	1	6	0.67
	8	Vazquez Gomez Valeria	OH	PUR	2	1	1	4	0.67
6	17	Alfaro Bolaños Maria Fernanda	MB	CRC	1	3	1	5	0.33
	20	Martinez Wilson Charlotte Elizabeth	MB	CRC	1	0	0	1	0.33
	2	Martinez Luis Evilania	OH	CUB	1	0	1	2	0.33
	6	De La Peña Gonzalez Yalain Regla	OP	CUB	1	0	1	2	0.33
	15	Aguilera Carbajal Jessica	MB	CUB	1	6	5	12	0.33
Total tournament					25	41	47	113	2.08



Best Servers

Rk	No	Name	Pos.	Team	Aces	Faults	Serve Hits	Total Attempts	Avg. by set
1	2	Bricio Samantha	OH	MEX	2	1	10	13	0.67
	3	Maldonado Diaz Sofia	OH	MEX	2	1	7	10	0.67
	7	Ung Enriquez Gloria Argentina	S	MEX	2	0	22	24	0.67
	5	Rivera Wilmarie	S	PUR	2	2	7	11	0.67
5	15	Blackwood Bennett Ivanny Sey	OH	CRC	1	0	2	3	0.33
	1	Guereca Parra Uxue Amaya	OH	MEX	1	0	3	4	0.33
	6	Nogueras Jennifer	S	PUR	1	0	3	4	0.33
	8	Vazquez Gomez Valeria	OH	PUR	1	0	19	20	0.33
	15	Rodriguez De Jesus Adriana	MB	PUR	1	2	4	7	0.33
	17	Champion Decelise Annalee	OH	PUR	1	1	5	7	0.33
Total tournament					15	28	206	249	1.25



Best Diggers

Rk	No	Name	Pos.	Team	Digs	Faults	Receptions	Total Attempts	Avg. by set
1	16	Aguero Aguilera Aidachi Attilah	L	CUB	16	10	4	30	5.33
	12	Landeros Palacios Joseline	L	MEX	16	4	2	22	5.33
3	3	Solano Smith Rashanny Zenaya	L	CRC	13	4	2	19	4.33
	2	Bricio Samantha	OH	MEX	13	1	1	15	4.33
5	7	Ung Enriquez Gloria Argentina	S	MEX	11	2	1	14	3.67
6	5	Rivera Wilmarie	S	PUR	9	3	2	14	3.00
7	99	Madan Rosales Dezirett De La Caridad	OH	CUB	8	2	3	13	2.67
	9	Correa Rodriguez Yaleimid Charie	L	PUR	8	2	0	10	2.67
9	15	Aguilera Carbajal Jessica	MB	CUB	7	1	1	9	2.33
	27	Garraway Mustelier Daykelin de Regla	S	CUB	7	1	0	8	2.33
Total tournament					186	72	22	280	15.50



Best Setters

Rk	No	Name	Pos.	Team	Running Sets	Faults	Still Sets	Total Attempts	Avg. by set
1	7	Ung Enriquez Gloria Argentina	S	MEX	16	0	68	84	5.33
2	5	Rivera Wilmarie	S	PUR	12	0	33	45	4.00
3	10	Álvarez Cortés Sheyla Dayana	S	CRC	7	0	34	41	2.33
4	6	Nogueras Jennifer	S	PUR	4	0	12	16	1.33
5	9	Barrantes Vega Lucía	S	CRC	1	0	22	23	0.33
	23	Oliva Macaro Sheyla de la Caridad	S	CUB	1	0	35	36	0.33
	27	Garraway Mustelier Daykelin de Regla	S	CUB	1	0	30	31	0.33
N/A	3	Solano Smith Rashanny Zenaya	L	CRC	0	0	8	8	
	6	Vargas Vargas Krystel Fiorella	OH	CRC	0	0	1	1	
	11	Sayles Marin Tatiana	OP	CRC	0	0	1	1	
Total tournament					42	0	311	353	3.50



Best Receivers

Limit:20.00%

Rk	No	Name	Pos.	Team	Excellents	Faults	Serve Receptions	Total Attempts	Eff. %
1	12	Landeros Palacios Joseline	L	MEX	13	0	2	15	86.67
2	6	Castro López Grecia Esther	OH	MEX	8	0	5	13	61.54
3	3	Solano Smith Rashanny Zenaya	L	CRC	16	3	8	27	48.15
4	2	Bricio Samantha	OH	MEX	9	0	10	19	47.37
5	17	Champion Decelise Annalee	OH	PUR	6	0	7	13	46.15
6	24	Valle Okiana	L	PUR	5	0	6	11	45.45
7	99	Madan Rosales Dezirett De La Caridad	OH	CUB	8	2	13	23	26.09
8	8	Vazquez Gomez Valeria	OH	PUR	4	1	8	13	23.08
9	2	Martinez Luis Evilania	OH	CUB	6	2	19	27	14.81
N/A	16	Aguero Aguilera Aidachi Attilah	L	CUB	3	3	9	15	
Total tournament					91	14	115	220	35.00



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P-5 Players ranking by skills

All matches



Best Liberos

Rk	No	Name	Pos.	Team	Excellents	Faults	In Play	Total Attempts	Avg. by set
1	3	Solano Smith Rashanny Zenaya	L	CRC	29	7	10	46	9.67
	12	Landeros Palacios Joseline	L	MEX	29	4	4	37	9.67
3	16	Aguero Aguilera Aidachi Attilah	L	CUB	19	13	13	45	6.33
4	9	Correa Rodriguez Yaleimid Charie	L	PUR	10	2	0	12	3.33
	24	Valle Okiana	L	PUR	10	6	6	22	3.33
Total tournament					97	32	33	162	8.08





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[P-6] Teams ranking by skills

All matches



Best Scorers

Rk	Team	Attack	Block	Serve	Total
1	MEX Mexico	42	7	7	56
2	PUR Puerto Rico	35	10	7	52
3	CUB Cuba	31	6	0	37
4	CRC Costa Rica	30	2	1	33
Total tournament		138	25	15	178



Best Attackers

Limit:15.00%

Rk	Team	Attacks	Faults	Shots	Total Attempts	Succ. %
1	PUR Puerto Rico	35	6	37	78	44.87
2	MEX Mexico	42	15	51	108	38.89
3	CRC Costa Rica	30	22	40	92	32.61
4	CUB Cuba	31	16	52	99	31.31
Total tournament		138	59	180	377	36.60



Best Blockers

Rk	Team	Kill Blocks	Faults	Rebounds	Total Attempts	Avg. by set
1	PUR Puerto Rico	10	10	15	35	3.33
2	MEX Mexico	7	10	10	27	2.33
3	CUB Cuba	6	10	18	34	2.00
4	CRC Costa Rica	2	11	4	17	0.67
Total tournament		25	41	47	113	2.08



Best Servers

Rk	Team	Aces	Faults	Serve Hits	Total Attempts	Avg. by set
1	MEX Mexico	7	6	60	73	2.33
	PUR Puerto Rico	7	8	59	74	2.33
3	CRC Costa Rica	1	7	40	48	0.33
N/A	CUB Cuba	0	7	47	54	
Total tournament		15	28	206	249	1.25





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[P-6] Teams ranking by skills

All matches



Best Diggers

Rk	Team	Digs	Faults	Receptions	Total Attempts	Avg. by set
1	MEX Mexico	57	15	6	78	19.00
2	CUB Cuba	46	23	8	77	15.33
	PUR Puerto Rico	46	17	3	66	15.33
4	CRC Costa Rica	37	17	5	59	12.33
Total tournament		186	72	22	280	15.50



Best Setters

Rk	Team	Running Sets	Faults	Still Sets	Total Attempts	Avg. by set
1	MEX Mexico	16	0	85	101	5.33
	PUR Puerto Rico	16	0	61	77	5.33
3	CRC Costa Rica	8	0	76	84	2.67
4	CUB Cuba	2	0	89	91	0.67
Total tournament		42	0	311	353	3.50



Best Receivers

Limit:20.00%

Rk	Team	Excellents	Faults	Serve Receptions	Total Attempts	Eff. %
1	MEX Mexico	30	0	17	47	63.83
2	PUR Puerto Rico	18	1	22	41	41.46
3	CRC Costa Rica	25	6	34	65	29.23
4	CUB Cuba	18	7	42	67	16.42
Total tournament		91	14	115	220	35.00



Best Liberos

Rk	Team	Excellents	Faults	In Play	Total Attempts	Avg. by set
1	CRC Costa Rica	29	7	10	46	9.67
	MEX Mexico	29	4	4	37	9.67
3	PUR Puerto Rico	20	8	6	34	6.67
4	CUB Cuba	19	13	13	45	6.33
Total tournament		97	32	33	162	8.08



Mexico Opens the 2026 NORCECA Women's Final Four with a Straight-Set Victory Over Cuba

PONCE, Puerto Rico, June 5, 2026.- México opened the 2026 NORCECA Women's Final Four with a strong performance, defeating Cuba in straight sets (25–19, 25–10, 25–23) at the Salvador Dijols Coliseum.

Mexico took control early in the match. After securing the first set, the team dominated the second, building a 22–9 lead thanks to a back-row attack and an ace by Samantha Bricio. A Cuban attack error sealed the 2–0 advantage.

Cuba showed its best rhythm in the third set, improving its play at the net. Two consecutive blocks tied the score at 16. The set remained close through 22–22, but Mexico pulled ahead with two straight points: one from a service error by Jessica Aguilera Carbajal and another from a clean kill by Sofía Maldonado.

A zone-two attack by Samantha Bricio closed the match 25–23.

Mexico's top scorers were Sofía Maldonado with 18 points, Samantha Bricio with 11, and Grecia Castro with 10.

For Cuba, Evilania Martínez and Dezirett De La Caridad Madan contributed 9 points each.

Mexico outperformed Cuba 42–31 in attacks, 7–6 in blocks, and 7–0 in aces.

Post-Match Reactions

Samantha Bricio – Mexico

On the key to the victory: "I think we were able to fix the mistakes we made at the beginning of the first set and again in the third. We kept a cool head, and that helped us."

On adjustments needed for tomorrow's match: "The first match of any tournament is always unpredictable. It's not nerves, but adapting to the travel and the court. Hopefully tomorrow it will show that we're more comfortable."

On Sunday's big match against Puerto Rico: "We've had very good weeks of training, working on our system. If we execute it, it should be enough to compete one-on-one."

Dezirett De La Caridad Madan – Cuba

Impressions of the match: "For a first match, it was a bit complicated for us. We didn't have the ideal preparation to arrive at the tournament, even dealing with visa issues. But we went out there to give our best."

On what was missing to extend the match: “Maybe a bit more attack and defense. But personally and collectively, I think it was a good start considering the circumstances.”

Next Matches

On the second day of competition, Mexico will face Costa Rica at 7:00 p.m. (local time).

Meanwhile, Cuba will take on host Puerto Rico at 9:00 p.m.

México debuta con victoria en tres parciales ante Cuba en el Final Four Femenino NORCECA 2026

PONCE, Puerto Rico, 5 de junio de 2026.- México abrió con paso firme el Final Four Femenino NORCECA 2026 al imponerse en sets corridos (25-19, 25-10, 25-23) a Cuba en el Coliseo Salvador Dijols.

México tomó control temprano del encuentro. Tras ganar el primer parcial, las mexicanas dominaron ampliamente el segundo set, llegando a colocarse 22-9 gracias a un ataque zaguero y un servicio directo de Samantha Bricio. Un ataque desviado de Cuba selló el 2-0.

En el tercer parcial, Cuba mostró su mejor ritmo ofensivo y defensivo en la malla. Dos bloqueos consecutivos permitieron igualar el marcador a 16 puntos. El set mantuvo empates hasta el 22-22, pero México tomó ventaja con dos puntos seguidos: un error en el servicio de Jessica Aguilera y un remate efectivo de Sofía Maldonado.

Finalmente, un ataque por zona dos de Samantha Bricio cerró el triunfo 25-23.

En la ofensiva mexicana destacaron Sofía Maldonado con 18 puntos, Samantha Bricio con 11 y Grecia Castro con 10.

Por Cuba, Evilania Martínez y Dezirett De La Caridad Madan aportaron 9 unidades cada una.

México superó a Cuba 42-31 en ataques, 7-6 en bloqueos y 7-0 en servicios directos.

Declaraciones postpartido

Samantha Bricio – México

Sobre la clave de la victoria: “Creo que supimos corregir los errores que tuvimos al principio del primer set y también en el tercero. Mantuvimos la cabeza fría y eso nos ayudó.”

Sobre los ajustes para el partido de mañana: “El primer partido de cualquier torneo siempre es incierto. No son nervios, pero sí la adaptación al viaje y a la cancha. Esperamos que mañana se note que ya estamos más acostumbradas.”

Sobre el duelo del domingo ante Puerto Rico: “Hemos tenido muy buenas semanas de entrenamiento trabajando nuestro sistema. Si lo ejecutamos, debería ser suficiente para competir de tú a tú.”

Dezirett De La Caridad Madan – Cuba

Impresiones del partido: “Para ser el primer partido, fue un encuentro complicado para nosotras. No tuvimos la preparación ideal para llegar al torneo, incluso con complicaciones de visa. Aun así, salimos a la cancha a dar lo mejor.”

Sobre lo que faltó para extender el partido: “Quizás un poco más de ataque y defensa. Pero, en lo personal y en lo colectivo, creo que fue un buen inicio considerando las circunstancias.”

Próximos partidos

En el segundo día de competencia, México enfrentará a Costa Rica a las 7:00 p.m. (hora local).

Por su parte, Cuba se medirá al anfitrión Puerto Rico a las 9:00 p.m.