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Puerto Ricans outlast Mexico's women first team

CHIAPAS, Mexico, May 15, 2010 – The Puerto Rican pair of Yarleen Santiago and Dariam Acevedo eliminated Mexicans Marta Revueltas/Vanessa Virgen by defeating the local girls 2-1 (21-9, 21-18) during Day One of the NORCECA Circuit's fifth leg.

Even tough the competition started under heavy rain, the action kicked-off in Puerto Arista, Chiapas, with the first match between Canada 1 (Jamie Broter/Elizabeth Cordonier) and México 2 (Xitlali Heco/Rosario Reyes) ending with a victory for the Cannucks by score of 2-1 (21/19, 16/21 y 15/13).

Another surprise was the victory of Costa Rica's pair (Ingrid Morales/Natalia Alfaro) who defeated United States (Michelle Moriarty/Dana Kabashima) in three sets (21/15, 19/21 y 15/10).

In the men's bracket, United States 2 (Stafford Slick/Marcin Jogoda), Mexico 1 (Ulises Ontiveros/ Lombardo Ontiveros), Canada (Samuel Schachter/Cameron Wheelan) and Cuba (Sergio González/Yoendris Kinderlan), are the top contenders for the title.

The first match pitted United States 2 (Stafford Slick/Marcin Jogoda) and Costa Rica 1 (Luis Sandoval/Julio Álvarez), with the victory for the Americans 2-0 (21-18 y 23-21.

Mexico 1 (Ulises Ontiveros/ Lombardo Ontiveros) and México 2 (Arturo Flores/Jesús Vallejo), played one of the best matches of the day with more than 300 espectators enjoying the action. At the end Ulises and Lombardo took the victory 2-0 (21-15 y 21-18).

The Central American classic started with Guatemalans Erick Garrido and Alberto Ozuna dominating 21 a 13, but Costa Ricans Diego Alpizar and Rooper Espinoza recovered from the bad start and turned out th escore winning the next two sets 21-12, 15-13.

Friday's women results: CAN 1 d. MEX 2 (21-19, 16-21, 15-13), CAY d NCA (21-0, 21-0), CAN 2 d. MEX 1 (22-20, 21-16), CAN 1 d. PUR (21-16, 21-16), CRC d. USA (21-15, 19-21, 15-10), GUA d. CAY (21-8, 21-6), CUB d. CAN 2 (21-13, 17-21, 15-10), PUR d. MEX 1 (21-9, 21-18), USA d. NIC (21-0, 21-0), MEX 2 d. CAY (21-7, 21-14)

Friday men's results: USA 2 d. CRC 1 (21-18, 23-21), MEX 1 d. MEX 2 (21-15, 21-18), CRC 2 d. GUA (13-21, 21-12, 15-13), NCA d. CAY (21-16, 25-23), USA 2 d. USA 1 (21-19, 18-21, 16-14), MEX 1 d. PUR (21-17, 21-14), CAN d. CRC 2 (21-14, 21-12), CUB d. NCA (21-12, 21-13) y MEX 2 d. CRC 1 (21-17, 21-18).

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