

Bahamas Outclass Colombia in historical victory at CACG

CORDOBA, Mexico, November 29, 2014 - Bahamas gave the big surprise of the classification round for places 5 to 8 after beating Colombia in straight sets 32-30, 27-25 y 25-19 at the XXII Central American and Caribbean Games.

This was a historical victory for the Bahamas, in their first Central American and Caribbean Games, and will look to contend for fifth place on Sunday. Captain PrinceTanique Wilson and Middle Blocker Shonari Hepburn registered 13 points apiece, while Byron Ferguson closed with 12 for the Bahamas, that also outclassed Colombia in blocks (9-6) and serves (6-3). Andres Piza scored 16 for Colombia and Kevin Carabali closed with 11. The first set (32-20) was the one with more points scored, at the tournament, with a total of 62.

"These are our first Central American and Caribbean Games and this is our first victory at this tournament. It is a big accomplishment. I'm very happy to win. We had fell short previously but were mentally prepared that anything could be possible," stated PrinceTanique Wilson, captain of Bahamas.

"We played in a very difficult pool, but we had nothing to lose. We had only to fight hard every match. Thank you to the Mexican fans for making us feel like we were at home. This is a historical result for our program," Devince Smith, coach of Bahamas remarked.

"First of all I want to congratulate Bahamas. Once again you can see that there is no small opponent. We have a lot of things to think about and a lot of work to do," stated Colombian captain, Alexander Moreno.

"Many people think than in paper we were the favorites, but I was pretty convinced since the beginning that this was going to be difficult. I want to congratulate Bahamas for such a great match," said Daniel Moine, coach of Colombia.



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