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Venezuela defeat defending champions Puerto Rico in Veracruz Games

CORDOBA, Mexico, November 26, 2014 – Kervin Piñerua scored 21 points in leading Venezuela to a 3-1 (25-20, 25-23, 23-25, 29-27) victory over three-time defending champions Puerto Rico in the opening day of the men's volleyball tournament at the XXII Central American and Caribbean Games at Cordoba Arena on Tuesday.

Maximo Montoya and Emerson Rodriguez contributed 15 and 14 points, respectively, in the victory to start the actions in Pool B, while veteran Hector Soto (17) and Maurice Torres (16) were the best scorers of the defeated side.

Venezuela held advantages of 11-4 and 10-3 in blocks and aces, respectively.

Also in Pool B, Cuba outclassed Bahamas in straight sets (25-20, 25-16, 25-15) with Osmany Uriarte and Javier Jimenez leading the way with 14 and 13 points, respectively.

In Pool A, the Dominican Republic defeated Colombia 3-0 (25-18, 25-19, 27-25) behind 23 points recorded by veteran Elvis Contreras.

In the last match of the day, hosts Mexico, under new coach Ivan Contreras, cruised to a comfortable 3-0 (25-19, 25-18, 25-21) victory over Trinidad & Tobago.

Carlos Guerra and Daniel Vargas, with 9 and 8 points, respectively, topped the winners, while Simon Blake had 10 points, including five aces, for the losers.





