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## Cuba wins the gold, Puerto Rico the ticket

LIMA, Peru, May 11, 2019 – Cuba won the gold medal of the U21 Men's Pan American Cup with a victory over Canada in consecutive frames at Manuel Bonilla Coliseum on Saturday. Both teams were already qualified to the FIVB U21 World Championship to take place in Bahrain next July.

Puerto Rico took home the bronze medal and the single ticket available to the world championship after a straight-set win over Chile.

In other matches, United States edged Dominican Republic in five sets for the fifth position while Colombia defeated host Peru in four sets for the seventh position in the standings.

### Cuba 3, Canada 0

Cuba defeated Canada to claim the gold medal following a straight-set 3-0 (25-19, 25-22, 29-27) victory. José Carlos Romero (14), José Gutiérrez (13) and Julio Cárdenas (11) topped the scoring charts of Cuba. Xander Ketrzynski scored 18 points for Canada, including five aces. Cuba had the edge in blocking 6-5 but Canada was better from the service line with an 11-8 advantage in aces. The Canadians gave away 30 points via errors while Cuba made only 20.



### Puerto Rico 3, Chile 0

Puerto Rico stormed past Chile to claim the bronze medal and the only ticket available to the world championship. The scores were 3-0 (25-21, 25-17, 25-16). Pedro Molina had 23 points as the top offensive weapon for the winners while Carlos Negrón added 13 in the victory. Vicente Ibarra and Vicente Mardona finished with 13 and 12, respectively. Puerto Rico landed 10 aces, seven by Molina, and also added 9 blocks.

### Colombia 3, Perú 1

Colombia defeated Peru 3-1 (14-25, 25-13, 27-25, 25-20) in the match for seventh place. Colombia had a tournament-high 19 blocks. Ronnie Mosquera and Leiner Aponza led the winners with 15 and 13 points, respectively. Peru's Sebastián Calvera led all the players in the game with 23 points in the losing effort. Maikel Jaramillo and Daniel Barbieri finished with 13 and 10 for Peru.

### United States 3, Dominican Republic 2

United States edged Dominican Republic 3-2 (25-17, 25-14, 20-25, 24-26, 15-12) in the contest for fifth place. Brett Wildman was the best American scorer with 21 points, followed by Ryan Wilcox with 17. Devin Joslyn and Canyon Tuman contributed 13 and 12 in the win. Bayron Valdez had 20 for the Dominican squad while Brian Muñoz added 13.