

## **Puerto Rico** scores big win over USA



LIMA, Peru, May 5, 2019 - Puerto Rico produced a major surprise in defeating United States in a close battle that opened the actions of the U21 Men's Pan American Cup at Manuel Bonilla Coliseum of Miraflores on Sunday.

In other matches, Canada defeated Chile in four sets while Cuba and Colombia beat Dominican Republic and host Peru in straight sets.

The top ranked team of the competition will be granted of a ticket to this year world championship of the age category to be played in Bahrein.

## Puerto Rico 3, United States 1

Puerto Rico defeated United States 3-1 (27-25, 27-25, 21-25, 25-20) in the first match of the tournament. Pedro Molina had a match-high 21 points including 4 aces, to lead Puerto Rico

while Brett Wildman had 19 for United States with 3 aces. Johan Leon contributed 14 points in the victory while Ryan Wilcox and Anthony Matheney finished with 13 and 12 for the losers. The United States led in blocks 11-7 and Puerto Rico in aces 9-7.



Ibarra with 9 points.

## Canada 3, Chile 1

Canada defeated Chile 3-1 (25-17, 25-12, 22-25, 25-15) in the first game of Pool B. Canada had 13 direct points in serve, in addition it subdued its adversary in attack (45-22) and blocks (8-4). Chile reduced its unforced errors to 31, while the winning team had 43. Xander Ketrzynski and Michael Dowhaniuk were the top scorers with 21 and 19 points respectively; followed by Brodie Hofer with 11 points. For Chile, the top individual scorer was Vicente



## Cuba 3, Dominican Republic 0

Cuba beat the Dominican Republic in straight sets (25-19, 25-18, 25-23) in the second match of Pool A. Julio César Cardenas scored 18 points for his team's triumph, including 12 attacks, 2 blocks and 4 on services. For the Dominican Republic Bayron Valdez highlighted with 15 units. Cuba was very aggressive with the serve getting an advantage of 10-3 and also had he dominance in attacks (39-29) and blocking (7-3). The winners committed 25 unforced errors, while the losers gave 19 points for errors.



Colombia, middle blocker Luis Lopez and opposite Ronnie Mosquera each had 11 points.

Colombia 3, Perú 2

Colombia opened its participation in Pool B with a victory after defeating Peru in straight sets (25-23, 25-21, 25-17). Colombia maintained control of the game with an advantage in the attack (29-25), blocking (12-6) and service (6-3). The unforced errors were similar: 27 the winner and 28 the loser. Peru had the leading scorer of the game, the leading attacker Sebastian Calvera with 12 points, 11 attack and one block. For





