

United States and Dominican Republic to semifinals



TRUJILLO & CHICLAYO, Peru, July 10, 2019 – United States beat Puerto Rico in the match for the ticket to the semifinals in Pool B of the XVIII Women's Volleyball Pan American Cup. On the other hand, Dominican Republic claimed its fifth victory without losses to finish first in Pool A after a straight set win over Peru.

United States 3, Puerto Rico 1

Defending champions United States won Pool B with an undefeated 4-0 record after a 3-1 (25-18, 25-20, 25-27, 25-19) victory over Puerto Rico. Four American players finished with double figures: Karsta Lowe (17), Rishel Madison Kingdon (16), Katie Rolfzen (14) and Hanna Tapp (13). For Puerto Rico, Stephanie Enright had 12 points and Paulina Prieto added 11.

Dominican Republic 3, Peru 0



The Dominican Republic defeated Peru 3-0 25-22, 25-22, 25-18) to finish atop Pool A with a 5-0 record and 19 points. Brayelin Martinez and Bethania de la Cruz scored 17 and 10 points, respectively, as the offensive leaders of the winners. Karla Ortiz and Angela Leyva topped Peru with 14 and 13 and Thaisa McLeod finished with 10.

Canada 3, Guatemala 0

Canada trounced Guatemala 3-0 25-6, 25-5, 25-8) in the most lopsided match in the history of the cup (75-19) and 94 points in 55 minutes of action. The best Canadians: Andrea Mitrovic with 14 points, Shainah Joseph with 11 and Marie-Alex Bélanger and Alicia Perrin who each had 10 points each. Canada blanked its rival with 14 direct points in service, with 5 points from its setter Brie O'Reily.

Colombia 3, Mexico 0

Colombia claimed a 3-0 (25-8, 25-11, 25-14) victory over Mexico, securing the ticket to the quarterfinals. Melissa Rangel scored 17 points to lead Colombia, Amanda Coneo had 16 and Ana Karina Olaya had 10. For Mexico, Yarenia Gutiérrez scored 8 points. Colombia was better in every aspect, attack 45-17, block 9-1 and serve 7-2.

Argentina 3, Cuba 2

Argentina edged Cuba 3-2 (25-23, 20-25, 25-18, 26-28, 15-10) to claim its fourth victory against one loss. Lucia Fresco and Paula Yamila Nizetich carried most of the offensive load with 29 and 21 points, respectively. Cuba had Greisy Fine and Diaris Pérez has its two best scorers with 24 and 21 points. Argentina led in blocks (8-7) and Cuba in aces (5-4).







