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I Message from the President of the Organizing Committee of the XX Central American and Caribbean Sports Games, Cartagena de las Indias, Colombia 2006.

II Message from the President of the Central American Sports Organization

Dear Friends:

The Family of the Central American and Caribbean Sports Organization extends a sincere salute with the desire that a high level competition be presented in all the Volleyball modalities during the XX Central American and Caribbean Sports Games.

Our organization recognizes the effort and dedication of the NORCECA Directors and we urge them to continue developing Volleyball to the highest technical quality.

We are honored to have you as our partner in the Cartagena 2006 Games.

Sincerely yours,

*Héctor Cardona
PRESIDENT*

**B I Central American and Caribbean Sports Organization (CACSO)
countries**

1.	ANT	Antigua
2	AHO	Netherlands Antilles
3	ARU	Aruba
4	BAH	Bahamas
5	BAR	Barbados
6	BIZ	Belize
7	BER	Bermuda
8	CAY	Cayman Islands
9	COL	Colombia
10	CRC	Costa Rica
11	CUB	Cuba
12	DMA	Dominica
13	ESA	EL Salvador
14	GRN	Grenada
15	GUA	Guatemala
16	GUY	Guyana
17	HAI	Haiti
18	HON	Honduras
19	IVB	British Virgin Islands
20	ISV	United States Virgin Islands
21	JAM	Jamaica
22	MEX	Mexico
23	NCA	Nicaragua
24	PAN	Panama
25	PUR	Puerto Rico
26	DOM	Dominica Republic
27	SKN	Saint Kitts and Nevis
28	VIN	ST. Vincent and the Grenadines
29	LCA	Saint Lucia
30	SUR	Suriname
31	TRI	Trinidad and Tobago
32	VEN	Venezuela

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Vicepresident:	Mr. Steve R. Stoute, S.C.M.	Barbados
Vicepresident:	Mr. Ciro Perez	Cuba
General Secretary:	Mr. Andrés Botero	Colombia
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Member:	Mr. William Millerson	Netherland Antillies
Member:	Mr. Don Anderson	Jamaica
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C. COMPETITION INFORMATION

1. Date of Competition

1.1 Volleyball: From the 16 to the 29 of July, 2006
Women Volleyball: From the 16 to the 21 of July, 2006
Men's Volleyball: From the 24 to the 29 of July, 2006

1.2 Beach Volleyball: From the 19 to the 23 of July, 2006

2. Location of Competition Venue

2.1 Volleyball: Cartagena University Coliseum.
2.2 Beach Volleyball: Boquilla Beach, Blas el Teso Sector.

3. Location of Training Venue

3.1 Volleyball:

- Cartagena University Coliseum.
- Naval School.
- La Salle School.
- Salesian School.

3.2 Beach Volleyball: Boquilla Beach, Blas el Teso Sector

4. Events and medals

4.1 Events	Medals			Total
	Gold	Silver	Bronze	
Men's Volleyball	12	12	12	36
Men's Beach Volleyball	2	2	2	6
Women's Volleyball	12	12	12	36
Women's Beach Volleyball	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>6</u>
	28	28	28	84

5. Competition Format

5.1 Volleyball

The Volleyball competition, men and women, consist of 8 teams. For the preliminary round the teams will be divided in 2 groups of 4 teams each one (A & B). For the preliminary round a round robin will be played qualifying for the semifinal round the teams that finishes in the 1st place of each group. Teams qualified in 2nd and 3rd place of each group will pass to play the quarter finals round qualifying for the semi final round the winning teams. The losing teams of the quarter final round will play one match to determine the 5th and 6th place, also, the teams that finish in the 4th position of their respective group in the preliminary round will play one match to determine the 7th and 8th position. For the semi final round and according to the FIVB General Competition Regulations, it must be avoided that teams from the same group play each other. For the final round, the winners of the semi final round matches will play each other to determine the 1st and 2nd position of the event and the loser will play one match to determine the 3rd and 4th position.

5.2 Scoring System:

The ranking of teams in the preliminary round will be determined by the results of matches on the basis of points gained among teams of the same group. For the preliminary rounds, a round robin will be played with the following scoring system:

Match won = 2 points

Match lost = 1 point

Match forfeited = 0 point

5.3 Tie Breaking Procedure:

5.3.1 In case of a tie in the number of points gained by two or more teams, the FIVB General Regulations, Article 8.3 will be applied:

5.3.2 Two team tie: If at the end of the round robin, two teams have obtained the same quantity of points, the tie will be determined by the result of the match among the two teams tied.

5.3.3 Set Quotient: In case of equality in the number of points gained by two or several teams, they will be classified in descending order by the quotient resulting from the division of the number of all sets won by the number of all sets lost.

5.3.4 Points Quotient: If the tie persists, per the “set quotient”, the teams will be classified in descending order by the quotient resulting from the division of all points scored by the total of points lost during all sets.

5.3.5 If the tie continues, as per the “points quotient”, between two teams, the priority will be given to the team which won the match between them.

5.3.6 When the tie in points quotient is between three or more teams, a new classification of these teams in the terms above will be made taking into consideration only the matches in which they were opposed to each other.

5.4 Beach Volleyball

For the **XX Central American and Caribbean Sports Games, Cartagena de las Indias, Colombia 2006, Beach Volleyball competition**, a total of twelve (12) teams will be competing, forming two (2) groups of six (6) teams each (A & B). The competition will be develop as follow:

5.4.1 Preliminary round: A round robin will be played in each group, the 1st place team of each group will pass directly to the semifinal round. Teams finishing from the 7th to the 12th place in each division will be ranked by the result(quotient) of the total of points gained divided into the total of points lost.

5.4.2 Quarterfinals: Teams finishing in 2nd and 3rd place of each group will play each other (2B Vs 3A & 2A Vs 3B), the winners will advance to the semifinal to play against the 1st place team of the preliminary round, the loosing teams will play each other to determine the 5th and 6th position of the event.

5.4.3 Semifinals: In the semifinal round the wining teams of the quarterfinal round will play the 1st place team of the preliminary round in their respective group.

5.4.4 Final: The winning teams from the semifinal round will play each other for the gold and silver medal, and the loosing teams will play each other for the bronze medal and 4th place.

6. Competition Schedule

Women's Volleyball

Math NO.	Date/Time	Event	Group	Phase
	July 16			
1	14:00	1 Vs. 4	A	Preliminary
2	16:00	3 Vs. 4	B	Preliminary
3	18:00	2 Vs. 3	A	Preliminary
4	20:00	1 Vs. 2	B	Preliminary
	July 17			
5	14:00	1 Vs. 3	A	Preliminary
6	16:00	2 Vs. 4	A	Preliminary
7	18:00	2 Vs. 4	B	Preliminary
8	20:00	1 Vs. 3	B	Preliminary
	July 18			
9	14:00	1 Vs. 2	A	Preliminary

10	16:00	1 Vs. 4	B	Preliminary
11	18:00	3 Vs. 4	A	Preliminary
12	20:00	2 Vs. 3	B	Preliminary
	July 19			
13	14:00	4A Vs. 4B		Classification 7 ^o and 8 ^o
14	16:00	2A Vs. 3B		Quarter finals
15	18:00	2B Vs. 3A		Quarter finals
	July 20			
16	16:00	P/L P/14 Vs P/L P/15		Classification 5 ^o and 6 ^o
17	18:00	1A Vs G/W P/14		Semifinal
18	20:00	1B Vs G/W P/15		Semifinal
	July 21			Gold and Silver
19	18:00	P/L P/17 Vs P/L P/18		Bronze and 4 ^o
20	20:00	G/W P/17 Vs G/W P/18		Gold and Silver

Men's Volleyball

Match NO.	Date/Time	Event	Group	Phase
	July 24			
1	14:00	1 Vs. 4	A	Preliminary
2	16:00	3 Vs. 4	B	Preliminary
3	18:00	2 Vs. 3	A	Preliminary
4	20:00	1 Vs. 2	B	Preliminary
	July 25			
5	14:00	1 Vs. 3	A	Preliminary
6	16:00	2 Vs. 4	A	Preliminary
7	18:00	2 Vs. 4	B	Preliminary
8	20:00	1 Vs. 3	B	Preliminary
	July 26			
9	14:00	1 Vs. 2	A	Preliminary
10	16:00	1 Vs. 4	B	Preliminary
11	18:00	3 Vs. 4	A	Preliminary

12	20:00	2 Vs. 3	B	Preliminary
	July 27			
13	14:00	4A Vs. 4B		Classification 7 ^o and 8 ^o
14	16:00	2A Vs. 3B		Quarter finals
15	18:00	2B Vs. 3A		Quarter finals
	July 28			
16	16:00	P/L P/14 Vs P/L P/15		Classification 5 ^o and 6 ^o
17	18:00	1A Vs G/W P/14		Semifinal
18	20:00	1B Vs G/W P/15		Semifinal
	July 29			Gold and Silver
19	18:00	P/L P/17 Vs P/L P/18		Bronze and 4 ^o
20	20:00	G/W P/17 Vs G/W P/18		Gold and Silver

Beach Volleyball

MALE AND FEMALE – “BOQUILLA” BEACH, BLAS EL TESO SECTOR.

July 19, 2006

Match No.	TIME	EVENT	PHASE
1	09:00	1 Vs. 3	Group A Preliminary
2	10:00	1 Vs. 3	Group B Preliminary
3	11:00	2 Vs. 4	Group A Preliminary
4	12:00	2 Vs. 4	Group B Preliminary
5	14:00	5 Vs. 6	Group A Preliminary
6	15:00	5 Vs. 6	Group B Preliminary
7	16:00	1 Vs. 4	Group A Preliminary
8	17:00	1 Vs. 4	Group B Preliminary
9	19:00	2 Vs. 5	Group A Preliminary
10	20:00	2 Vs. 5	Group B Preliminary
11	21:00	3 Vs. 6	Group A Preliminary
12	22:00	3 Vs. 6	Group B Preliminary

July 20, 2006

Match No.	TIME	EVENT	PHASE
13	09:00	1 Vs. 5	Group A Preliminary
14	10:00	1 Vs. 5	Group B Preliminary
15	11:00	2 Vs. 6	Group A Preliminary
16	12:00	2 Vs.6	Group B Preliminary
17	14:00	3 Vs. 4	Group A Preliminary
18	15:00	3 Vs. 4	Group B Preliminary
19	16:00	1 Vs. 6	Group A Preliminary
20	17:00	1 Vs. 6	Group B Preliminary
21	19:00	2 Vs. 3	Group A Preliminary
22	20:00	2 Vs. 3	Group B Preliminary
23	21:00	4 Vs. 5	Group A Preliminary
24	22:00	4 Vs. 5	Group B Preliminary

July 21, 2006

25	10:00	1 Vs. 2	Group A Preliminary
26	11:00	1 Vs. 2	Group B Preliminary
27	12:00	3 Vs. 5	Group A Preliminary
28	13:00	3 Vs. 5	Group B Preliminary
29	14:00	4 Vs. 6	Group A Preliminary
30	15:00	4 Vs. 6	Group B Preliminary
31	18:30	2A Vs. 3B (W)	Quarter finals
32	19:30	2A Vs. 3B (M)	Quarter finals
33	20:00	2B Vs. 3A (W)	Quarter finals
34	21:00	2B Vs. 3A (M)	Quarter finals

July 22, 2006

35	(TBD)	1A Vs. G/W P/31 (W)	Semifinals
36	(TBD)	1A Vs. G/W P/32 (M)	Semifinals
37	(TBD)	1B Vs. G/W P/33 (W)	Semifinals
38	(TBD)	1B Vs. G/W P/34 (M)	Semifinals

July 23, 2006

39	(TBD)	P/L P/35 Vs. P/LP/37	Bronze and 4 ^o
40	(TBD)	G/W P/35 Vs. G/WP/37	Gold and Silver

		Women's Awards	
41	(TBD)	P/L P/36 Vs. P/L P/38	Bronze and 4 ^o
42	(TBD)	G/W P/36 Vs. G/WP/38	Gold and Silver
		Men's Awards	

Note: In Beach Volleyball the established program its preliminary, it is subject to changes according to the development of the competition.

7. General Regulations

For Volleyball and Beach Volleyball the competition regulations, rules of the game, as approved in force will prevail. In case of disagreement on the interpretation of these rules, the English version shall prevail.

7.1 Cases not covered by the competition regulations will be resolved in accordance with the CACSO Statutes and Regulations.

7.2 Issues of technical nature will be resolved according to the FIVB/NORCECA Rules and Regulations.

8 Competition Management

8.1 Technical Organization

NORCECA shall be responsible for the technical organization and staging of the XX Central American and Caribbean Sports Games, Cartagena de las Indias, Colombia 2006.

8.2 Preliminary enquire for participating teams:

8.2.1 Preliminary enquires for Volleyball will be held as follows:

Women, national teams: the 14th of July of 2006 at the Naval School in the Central American Villa, starting at 08:00

Men, national teams: the 23rd of July of 2006 at the Naval School in the Central American Villa, starting at 08:00

8.2.2 Beach Volleyball:

Preliminary enquire for participating teams in Men's and Women's Beach Volleyball are programmed to be held as follows:

Preliminary Enquire: the 18th of July of 2006 at the Central American Villa, starting at 10:00. The participating teams should be present with their uniforms, accessories, colors, identities and everything related to the competition.

8.3 General Technical Meeting

8.3.1 Volleyball

The General Technical Meetings for volleyball will be held as follows:

Women, national teams: the 14th of July of 2006 at the Naval School at the Central American Villa, starting at 19:00

Men, national teams: the 23rd of July of 2006 at the Naval School at the Central American Villa, starting at 19:00

8.3.2 Beach Volleyball

General Technical Meeting: the 18th July of 2006 at the Central American Villa, starting at 19:00. This meeting is mandatory for all participating players, without excuse. Any situation related with this General Technical Meeting must be informed to the Tournament Director and to the President of the Control Committee of the Competition.

8.4 Distribution of the teams for the competition

8.4.1 Countries with the right to participate: One team of each member from CACSO has the right to participate in the qualification process established by FIVB and NORCECA (men and women)

8.4.2 Volleyball: Participating teams will be distributed into two (2) groups (A & B) following the FIVB World Ranking. The hosting country has the right to choose the groups for its national teams. The serpentine system will be used for the distribution of teams

8.4.3 Beach Volleyball: Participating teams will be distributed into two (2) groups (A & B) for the competition following the procedure established by the FIVB. For the 2 groups of the preliminary round (men and women), the teams will be distributed according to their position in the FIVB/NORCECA World and Continental Ranking as follow:

Group A will include: teams seated 1, 4, 5, 8, 9, 12

Group B will include: teams seated 2, 3, 6, 7, 10, 11

Teams will be distributed into the different groups taking in consideration the following criteria:

- A) International Volleyball Federation (FIVB) World Ranking
- B) Final Ranking of the XIV Pan-American Sport Games Santo Domingo 2003
- C) Previous final results of the XIX Central American and Caribbean Sports Games, El Salvador 2002.

NOTE: Taking in consideration the criteria established above, participating teams will be distributed into 2 groups of 6 teams each, using for its distribution the serpentine system. Teams that do not apply to these criteria will be positioned throughout a draw, using for its distribution into the groups the serpentine system.

The hosting country has the right to choose the groups for the position of their national teams.

8.5 Control committee

8.5.1 Volleyball:

The Control Committee will be the maximum authority in the competition and it will be composed by the President of the NORCECA Confederation, who will preside it, and by 11 designated members, in accordance to the FIVB Regulations as follow:

- NORCECA Confederation President or his representative.
- NORCECA General Secretary
- Competition Director.
- Three (3) members of the Appeals Sub-Commission.
- Three (3) members of the Refereeing Sub-Commission (to be presided by the President of NORCECA Refereeing Commission)
- A Medical Delegate of the NORCECA Confederation.
- A Press Delegate of the NORCECA Confederation.
- A VIS Delegate.

8.5.1 Beach Volleyball:

NORCECA will designate the technical supervisor and refereeing supervisor in accordance to the FIVB Beach Volleyball Handbook. The Technical Supervisor will be the highest authority of the competition. The control committee will be composed as follows:

- NORCECA Confederation President or his representative
- President of the NORCECA Beach Volleyball Commission
- Competition Director
- Refereeing Director
- Two (2) members of the Appeals Sub-commission
- Two (2) members of the refereeing Sub-commission
- A NORCECA Confederation Medical Delegate
- A NORCECA Confederation Press Delegate
- A VIS Delegate

8.6 Technical Officials

8.6.1 Volleyball:

The President of NORCECA will designate the referees in accordance with the FIVB Regulation from a quantity that should at least be equivalent to the total amount of participating teams. The refereeing corp for Volleyball competition will be composed of a total of 16 referees(FIVB, International FIVB, FIVB International Referring Candidate and/or Continental) in addition to the two (2) reserved referees of the host country and two(2) neutral referees in order to maintain the quality of the competition.

The National Federation will designate and instruct the minor rank officials and/or the support staff, including the VIS staff, with the approval of the Control Committee. This staff will be supervised by the Control Committee during the development of the competition.

8.6.2 Beach Volleyball:

NORCECA will be responsible for appointing all major officials. Other officials will be appointed by the National Federation. The Beach Volleyball refereeing corps will be composed by a total of 12 referees of Classification FIVB, International FIVB, International Referee Candidate and/or Continental)

8.7 Protests and Appeals

8.7.1 Disputes shall be solved under FIVB/NORCECA regulations.

8.7.2 All technical protests (violation of the rules of the game) will be solved by the Control Committee according to the Judge Conference Procedure as established in the FIVB/NORCECA Sports Regulations.

8.7.3 All protests and appeals that do not violate the rules of the game must be presented to the Technical Delegate of NORCECA in writing, within 60 minutes of the match of reference together with fee of five hundred american dollars (US \$500.00) in cash. If the protest is valid, the deposit will be reimbursed. The technical delegate must announce the result within 12 hours after the protest or appeal has been submitted.

8.8 Equipment

8.8.1 All equipment provided by the Organizing Committee of the **XX Central American and Caribbean Sports Games, Cartagena de las Indias, Colombia 2006 will comply with the FIVB Regulations and Homologations.**

8.8.2 The Mikasa MVL-200 tri colored ball is the official ball for the indoor volleyball competition.

The Mikasa VLS-200 is the official ball for the beach volleyball competition.

8.9 Competitor's Clothing

The participant will be uniformed in accordance with the FIVB Official Volleyball Regulations and the FIVB Official Beach Volleyball Rules. National federations and National Olympic Committees shall be responsible for supplying the uniforms to the players. The Organizing Committee has adopted the following sections of Chapter 5, Section 61 on the International Olympic Charter as they relate to publicity and propaganda. During the XX Central American and Caribbean Sports Games, Cartagena de las Indias, Colombia 2006, these regulations will prevail for commercial brands, dress wear and equipment.

8.9.1 No form of publicity or propaganda, commercial or otherwise, may appear on sportswear. Accessories or, more generally, on any article of clothing or equipment whatsoever worn or used by the athletes or other participants in the XX Central American and Caribbean Sports Games, Cartagena de las Indias, Colombia 2006, except for the identification – as defined in paragraph 4 below – of the manufacturer of the article or equipment concerned, provided that such identification shall not be marked conspicuously for advertising purposes. Outline criteria are given below:

- 8.9.1.1 The identification of the manufacturer shall not appear more than once per item of clothing and equipment
- 8.9.1.2 Equipment: any manufacturer's identification that is greater than 10% of the surface area of the equipment that is exposed during competition shall be deemed to be marked conspicuously for advertising purposes. In restriction of the generality of the foregoing, there shall be no manufacturer's identification greater than 60 cm² .
- 8.9.1.3 Headgear (e.g. hats, helmets, sunglasses, goggles and gloves): any manufacturer's identification over 6 cm² shall be deemed to be marked conspicuously for advertising purposes.
- 8.9.1.4 Clothing (e.g. T-shirts, shorts, sweat tops, sweat pants): any manufacturer's identification which is greater than 12 cm² shall be deemed to be marked conspicuously for advertising purposes.
- 8.9.1.5 Shoes: it is acceptable that there appear the normal distinctive design pattern of the manufacturer. The manufacturer's name and/or logo may also appear, up to maximum of 6 cm², either as part of the normal distinctive pattern or independent of the normal distinctive design pattern.
- 8.9.1.6 In case of special rules adopted by an International Sports Federation, exceptions to the rules mentioned above can be approved by the CACSO Executive.

Any violation of the provisions of the present rules shall result in disqualification or withdrawal of the accreditation of the person concerned. The decisions of the CACSO Executive Committee regarding this matter shall be final.

- 8.9.2 The uniforms of the competitors and of all persons holding an official position may include the flag of their country or the Olympic emblem of their NOC or, with the consent of CACSO, the CACSO emblem. The International Federations and Continental Confederations officials may wear the uniform and the emblem of their Federations and/or Confederation.
- 8.9.3 The identification on all technical gear, installations and other apparatus, which are neither worn nor used by athletes or other participants at the **XX Central American and Caribbean Sports Games, Cartagena de las Indias, Colombia 2006**, including timing equipment and scoreboards, may on no account be larger than 1/10th of the height of the equipment, installation or apparatus in question and shall not be greater than 10 cm high.
- 8.9.4 The word "identification" means the normal display of the name, designation, trademark, logo or any other distinctive sign of the manufacturer of the item, appearing not more than once per item, provided that such manufacturer is principally occupied in the business of manufacturing clothing and/or sports equipment of the types being used at the **XX Central American and Caribbean Sports Games, Cartagena de las Indias, Colombia 2006**.

Permitted Exceptions for Manufacturer's Identification:

Federation: FIVB
 Confederation: NORCECA

9 Participants

9.1 Participation

Only those NOCs recognized by CACSO whose National Volleyball Federation is affiliated to FIVB have the right to participate.

9.2 Maximum Number of Competitors

9.2.1 Volleyball:

192 competitors (8 teams of 12 competitors for men and 8 teams of 12 competitors for women)

9.2.2 Beach Volleyball:

48 competitors (12 teams of 2 competitors for men and 12 teams of 2 competitors for women)

9.3 Qualification System

9.3.1 Volleyball:

The host country has the right to one men's and one women's team. The remainder of the men's and women's teams will qualify according to the positions of the FIVB World Ranking and NORCECA and CSV Continental Ranking as of January the 1st of 2006.

9.3.2 Beach Volleyball:

General Principles:

12 teams per division (M/W) including 1 men and 1 women team of the host country.

The teams will be distributed in two (2) groups (A & B) following their position in the FIVB World Ranking and NORCECA's and CVS's Continental Ranking, as of January the 1st of 2006.

Only player of NFs affiliated to FIVB are eligible to take part in the Beach Volleyball competition of the **XX Central American and Caribbean Sports Games, Cartagena de las Indias, Colombia 2006.**

9.3.3 Specific Regulations

By June 15th of 2006, the Organizing Committee must send to NORCECA the list of eligible countries that have sent the Entry by Number Form by the 15th of April of 2006, deadline for registration in order to take part in the XX Central American and Caribbean Sports Games, Cartagena de las Indias, Colombia 2006.

9.4 Participant Registration

9.4.1 Numeric Entries

Each NOCs individual and team Entry by Number forms, without specifying the names but indicating the number of participants in each event, must be received by the Organizing Committee of the XX Central American and Caribbean Sports Games, Cartagena de las Indias, Colombia 2006 no later than midnight (local time) on April 15th 2006. NOC entries by number must be submitted on the official forms supplied by the Organizing Committee of the **XX Central American and Caribbean Sports Games, Cartagena de las Indias, Colombia 2006**.

9.4.2 Entries by Name

An "Entry by Name" Form is required for each eligible participant in the XX Central American and Caribbean Sports Games, Cartagena de las Indias, Colombia 2006. Entries by name must be completed by the appropriate NOC of origin on the official form supplied by the Organizing Committee of the **XX Central American and Caribbean Sports Games, Cartagena de las Indias, Colombia 2006** and received no later than midnight (local time) on June 15, 2006.

9.4.3 Receipt of Forms

Both the Entry by Number and Entry by Name forms are to be sent to:

XX JUEGOS DEPORTIVOS CENTROAMERICANOS Y DEL CARIBE 2006
MANGA AVENIDA MIRAMAR CALLE 24 NO. 20-55
CARTAGENA DE INDIAS, COLOMBIA
E-MAIL: ctecnica@cartagena2006.gov.co
TEL. (57-5) 660-6923 / (57-5) 660-6925
FAX. (57-5) 660-6949

This information may be received by fax, however the original forms must follow and be received by the Organizing Committee of the XX Central American and Caribbean Sports Games, Cartagena de las Indias, Colombia 2006. on the following dates:

Entry by Number:	April 15, 2006 (midnight local time)
Entry by Name:	June 15, 2006 (midnight local time)

9.5 Visa Information

In order to facilitate the participation of the qualified teams for the XX Central American and Caribbean Sports Games, Cartagena de las Indias, Colombia 2006, the Organizing Committee must guarantee, thru the correspondent governmental authorities, the Visa that will allow the entrance to colombian territory of the members of the registrered delegations.

10. Medical Information

10.1 Anti-Doping Control

Anti Doping Control tests will be conducted throughout the competition in accordance with the guidelines established by the CACSO Medical Commission and the FIVB Regulations and Protocol.

10.2 Gender Verification

Prior to the start of competition, each female that cannot present an CACSO approved gender certificate obtained from previous competitions shall undergo gender verification tests in accordance with the guidelines established by the CACSO Medical Commission.

10.3 Medical Examinations and Control

Any competitor refusing to a medical control examination or who is found guilty of doping, shall have his/ her accreditation withdrawn and be excluded from the competitions and possibly future international competitions in accordance with the penalties established by CACSO and the FIVB General Regulations.

11. Awards

For Volleyball and Beach Volleyball competitions the following awards will be presented:

11.1 Volleyball

First Place

The winner (s) of each event will receive a gold medal and a diploma.

Second Place

The winner (s) of the second place in each event will receive a silver medal and a diploma.

Third Place

The winner (s) of the third place in each event will receive a bronze medal and a diploma.

Fourth to eight

Each competitor will receive a diploma that will specify their final ranking in the competition.

11.2 Individual awards:

Will be presented by the Control Committee to the following athletes taking in consideration the final statistics of the VIS system:

Best Attacker	Best Blocker
Best Server	Best Defence
Best Setter	Best Libero
Best Receiver	Best Scorer
Most Valuable Player (MVP)	

The Libero players will compete among each other for the best Libero award of the event, additionally they will be able to compete for the Best Defence and Best Receiver award.

11.3 Beach Volleyball

First Place

The winner (s) of each event will receive a gold medal and a diploma.

Second Place

The winner (s) of the second prize in each event will receive a silver plated medal and a diploma.

Third Place

The winner (s) of the third prize in each event will receive a bronze plated medal and a diploma.

Fourth to twelve

Each competitor will receive a diploma that will specify their final ranking in the competition.

12. Sports Information Offices

Sports Information Offices will be located in all the Centroamerican Village. Sports Information Desks will be located at all Sports Competition venues. They will both provide technical information to Team Leaders, Mission Staff, Coaches, Managers and athletes of all participating countries. The sports related information will include schedule changes, training and competition venue details, practice schedules, rosters, results, coaches meetings, medal presentations, scheduled events (such as: information regarding receptions, purchase and repair of equipment).

This Regulations have been reviewed by Mr. Nelson J. Ramirez, Executive Director of NORCECA and Competition Director and approved by Mr. Cristóbal Marte Hoffiz, President of the NORCECA Confederation of Volleyball.

In Santo Domingo, National District, Dominican Republic, on the 12th of December of 2005.

Prof. Nelson Ramírez
Executive Director