



## What the coaches had to say before the start in Jamaica

KINGSTON, Jamaica, April 15, 2005.- The coaches of the four teams participating in the 2006 FIVB Women's World Championship First Round Norceca A, were introduced last night during a press conference following the technical meeting of the event.

Ortnell Findlay, the coach of Jamaica, considers the support from the local fans will play a key role in favor of his side. Big crowds are expected to attend the three-day event to be celebrated at the National Arena of Kingston with capacity for around 7,000 spectators.

Gerald Rosina, the Team Manager of the Netherlands Antilles stated that they came here to win this leg but acknowledged the fact of two of their best players are missing the team in this opportunity.

Kwele Williams and Andrea Williams, of British Virgin Islands and Cayman Islands respectively, admitted they came to the tournament trying to take one more

step in the improvement of their sides.

Here is what they said in the Press Conference:



Kwele Williams, British Virgin Islands: "This is our first opportunity on the big scale. We've been competing in a lot of regional tournaments. We've been quite successful. We've won those tournaments and decided to step it up. First we want to try to feel out the teams. We haven't really seen them play so we have to come out trying to execute all game and at the same time try to step up to the level of the volleyball being played."



Ortnell Findlay, Jamaica: "The home town support is more motivation for the players. With the crowd coming out to support us, I think we have an extra edge. We haven't seen BVI play any volleyball whatsoever so we're not taking them lightly and we haven't seen the Cayman Islands for the last couple of years. So we don't know what they have to offer. So we just have to take it step by step."



Andrea Williams, Cayman Islands: "I am so happy to be here with the challenges of Hurricane Ivan and we haven't had as much time to practice as we would have liked but the team has really come together in the last couple of months and I think if they pull it all together, you never know, maybe we can go all the way."



Gerald Rosina, Netherlands Antilles: "We feel very good in Jamaica. We came to win this leg because for us this is very important to win so our program can grow, the people of our country can give more support to our team and our team itself to do better in the Caribbean and Norceca events. We have a very good team. We left two of the very best players at home because of their studies. They couldn't make it this time. We hope to win here. Afterwards we can bring them to the Dominican Republic for the second round of qualifying."