



## What the coaches said before the quarterfinals of the Pan American Cup

Alejandro Arconada (ARG): "The organizers have done a great job. We are very grateful to the Federation of Argentina which is once again in the international level. We hope to have a great match with Mexico on Thursday."

Antonio Rizola (BRA): "We have accomplished the first goal of qualifying for the 2005 World Grand Prix. Now the next step is to finish in the final four."

Lorne Sawula (CAN): "We

hope to finish in the top four. Having said that, the competition in the continent keeps growing and the organization of the Pan American Cup has been excellent."

Braulio Godinez (CRC): "It has been a great honor to participate in the Pan American Cup. We have a revamped team and had good sets against Brazil and Dominican Republic. Now we hope to get our first victory tomorrow against Guatemala."

Eugenio George (CUB): "The support of the fans have been great and the quality level of the competition fantastic. In the future we are going to have a big international event. We are waiting

for the results and play good in the semifinals."

Jorge Garbey (DOM): "We came to Mexico hoping to be in the final four and a place in next year Grand Prix. Now our goal is to win a medal. I want to congratulate NORCECA and the organizing committee for a great tournament."

Julio Dominguez (GUA): "It has been a great experience for our team. We had the chance to face teams in the Olympics like USA and Cuba. Now we have an idea what is going on at international level. Thanks to NORCECA for the invitation to this tournament."

Jorge Azair (MEX): "I am very grateful to the Sports Institute for the support to the Mexican National Team. Our final goal is to have a good result against Argentina. The organization has been great."

Carlos Nunez (PUR): "Our team had a good first round. Now we want to finish in the top four and hope for a medal in the Pan American Cup. The organization has been excellent and a great effort from NORCECA."

Kevin Hambly (USA): "Our focus is on our next match tomorrow against Puerto Rico. The organization and the crowds have been great."