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MORELIA, Mexico, September 26, 2015. - Finishing among the top four teams is the coaches' main goal at the NORCECA Women's Continental Championship as they aim to qualify to the Pre-Olympic tournament.

The top four teams in the final ranking of the event that runs from September 27 to October 2 will advance to NORCECA Olympic Qualification Tournament that grants a direct ticket to the Rio 2016 Olympic Games.

The preliminary inquiries and the general technical meeting took place at the Real Inn Hotel, where coaches had the opportunity to share their opinions of the competition ahead of them.

Canada head coach Arnd Ludwig
"We've had nine weeks of preparation and we have worked really hard, we are ready for the tournament and of course we want to finish in the top four".

Costa Rica head coach Braulio Godinez
"We are realistic; every team here is taking part of the Olympic qualification, they are at a different competitive level than we are. We are in a changing process and the idea is for our team to grow. At the conclusion of the event, we will analyze all the positive results to continue our own process at a Central American level".

Cuba head coach Roberto Garcia
"The top eight of our confederation are here so we expect a tough competition, but our hopes are high in reaching the Olympic qualification".

Dominican Republic head coach Marcos Kwiek
"Previous to compete at World Cup, our preparation was very good, coming back from Japan some players had time to rest and others incorporated to our junior national team for the world championship, so I consider the team is in good physical conditions. Dominican Republic always plays to win and to its best performing level, but our main goal is qualifying to the Pre-Olympic tournament".

Mexico head coach Jorge Azair
"We are motivated to be hosting the tournament and our objective is to qualify for the Pre-Olympic event. I am pleased with the team; they are a young group, hungry and with desire to transcend".

Puerto Rico head coach Juan Carlos Nuñez
"We hope to execute the way we have practicing during the five weeks that I have been in charge of coaching the team; we are clear that our main objective is winning one of the four spots for the Pre-Olympic tournament".

Trinidad and Tobago head coach Idalmis Gato
"We have a renovated team with young players who are developing and we need to see how they evolve during the tournament with a couple of more experienced players. We expect to contribute to our own growth as a national team; this is the first international experience for some of the players. We hope to have a better performance than the past ones".

United States head coach Karch Kiraly
"At the World Cup we learned some valuable lessons, our training has been good and overall we are excited to play our zone championship".

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