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## Dominicans are crowned at U20 Pan American Cup

SANTO DOMINGO, Dominican Republic, April 24, 2015 – The Dominican Republic captured the gold medal at the U20 Women's Pan American Cup by defeating Argentina 3-1 (25-20, 25-22, 20-25, 25-15) in front of a noisy crowd of over 3,000 spectators at Ricardo Arias Pavilion of Santo Domingo on Friday night.

Gaila Gonzalez, who was named the Most Valuable Player, had a tournament-high 26 points to lead four Dominican players with double digits in the scores. Jineiry Martinez

followed with 20 points while Natalia Martinez and Maria Garcia contributed 14 and 10 points, respectively.

Maria Corbalan was the top offensive player for Argentina with 21 points followed by Anahi Tosi who had 15 points. Candelaria Herrera and Candela Nota had 8 points apiece in the loss.

The winners led in attacks (58-35) and the losers had the edge in blocks (12-11) and scored 10 aces to 4 by the eventual champions.

Chile 3, Mexico 1

Chile defeated Mexico 3-1 (25-20, 22-25, 25-20, 25-18) in the match for the bronze medal. Analia Carvajal was the offensive star for Chile with 23 points, including three blocks and one ace, followed by the captain Catalina Melo and Catalina Pulgar with 18 and 12 points, respectively. Laura Sotomayor had four blocks among her 9 points in the



victory. Maria Rodriguez and Cristina Pantoja were the best scorers for Mexico with 19 and 16 points, respectively, while Karina Flores and Mitzy Gonzalez finished with 8 apiece. Chile dominated in attacks (57-44) and blocks (10-6) while Mexico was stronger in serves (9-3).

Costa Rica 3, Nicaragua 1

Costa Rica defeated Nicaragua 3-1 (25-23, 12-25, 25-21, 25-16) in the match for the fifth position. Each team made 30 unforced errors and scored with 7 blocks. The winners held a slight advantage in attacks 40-37 while the defeated side edged in the aces category 11-10. Tania Carazo led Costa Rica with 17 points followed by Allison Font and Mariana Rodriguez with 11 and 10 points, respectively. Florelisa Smith topped Nicaragua with 14 points and Eugenia Sequeira notched 12 tallies. Maria Cruz and Ericka Conto finished with 11 and 10 points in the loss.

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