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# Newsletter

## Argentina and Dominican Republic atop of Pools

LIMA AND CAÑETE, Peru, June 19, 2017 – Argentina in Pool A and Dominican Republic in Pool B lead the standings at the Women's Volleyball Pan American Cup by Movistar after three days of competition in the preliminary phase in Lima and Cañete.

Argentina won a close contest against Colombia in straight sets to improve their win-loss record to 3-0 and 14 points to stay ahead of United States (3-0, 13 points) who edged Puerto Rico (2-1, 12 points) in five sets in Pool A. In the other contest Venezuela (1-2) outplayed Mexico (0-3) in five sets.

Meanwhile, the Dominican Republic downed Canada in consecutive frame to remain atop of Pool B with a 3-0 mark and the maximum 15 points. Hosts Peru, winners in four sets over Trinidad & Tobago are also 3-0 with 14 points. The other match saw Cuba (2-1, 9 points) defeating Chile in straight sets.

### Tuesday's schedule:

**Pool A:** Colombia vs Venezuela, Mexico vs United States, Puerto Rico vs Argentina

**Pool B:** Trinidad & Tobago vs Chile, Dominican Republic v Cuba, Peru vs Canada

### Argentina 3, Colombia 0

Argentina edged Colombia in a close three-set match (25-22, 26-24, 26-24) to remain undefeated. Lucía Fresco, Paula Nizetich and Emilce Sosa were the top offensive contributors in the victory with 17, 14 and 11 points, respectively. Dayana Segovia finished with 17 points in the losing effort while María Martínez added 12.



### Cuba 3, Chile 0

Heidy Casanova recorded a tournament-high 27 points as Cuba stormed past Chile in straight sets 3-0 (25-12, 25-17, 25-19). Casanova was the only Cuban player with double figures in the balanced offense of Cuba where Regla Gracia and Laura Suarez contributed 9 and 8 points, respectively. Catalina Melo was the best Chilean with 14 points.

### Venezuela 3, Mexico 2

Venezuela outplayed Mexico in a seesaw battle of five sets 3-2 (25-22, 23-25, 25-19, 21-25, 15-7) in a battle between winless teams in Pool A. Mexico gave away 40 points via errors to 29 by the winners. Maria José Pérez and Shirley Florian led Venezuela with 17 and 11 points, respectively. Mexico had Andrea Rangel with a match-high 22 points followed by Patricia Valle (15), Jocelyn Urias (12) and Dulce Carranza (11).

### Dominican Republic 3, Canada 0

Defending champions Dominican Republic remained unbeaten in Pool B after defeating Canada in straight sets 3-0 (25-19, 25-11, 25-18). Brayelin Martínez scored 13 points as the top scorer for the winners followed by Bethania de la Cruz and Jineiry Martínez who finished with 11 points apiece. Gina Mamburu and Annerys Vargas contributed 7 and 6 points, respectively, in the win. Kyla Richey tallied 8 as the best for Canada.

### Peru 3, Trinidad & Tobago 1

Peru defeated a high-spirited Trinidad & Tobago 3-1 (25-19, 24-26, 25-21, 25-17) to stay undefeated in Pool B. Carla Rueda and Angela Leyva carried the offensive load for the home side with 18 points each. Channon Thompson had a match-high 21 points while Sinead Jack scored 18 points in the loss, including six blocks. Trinidad & Tobago led in blocks 16-9 but made 37 unforced errors to 13 by Peru.

### United States 3, Puerto Rico 2

United States outdueled Puerto Rico 3-2 (25-23, 25-23, 23-25, 21-25, 15-12) in a battle of 2 hours and 19 minutes between undefeated sides in Pool A. Elizabeth McMahon led USA with 27 points while Rhamat Alhassan added 14, including five blocks, and Michelle Bartsch-Hackley charted 13 points. Puerto Rican Daly Santana finished with 26 points and Pilar Marie Victoria added 19 in the loss.