



## Mexico and Cuba join the semifinals



LIMA, Peru, August 17, 2018 – Mexico and Cuba joined the semifinals of the U23 Women's Volleyball Pan American Cup being played at Manuel Bonilla Coliseum of Miraflores in Lima.

Mexico outdueled Chile in five sets while Cuba did a quick job against Colombia in straight sets.

In the semifinals of Saturday, Mexico will play against host Peru while Cuba will meet the three-time defending champions Dominican Republic.

### Mexico 3, Chile 2

Mexico turned the score and managed to qualify to the semifinals, after prevailing 3-2 against Chile (22-25, 25-16, 25-23, 23-25, 15-9) in the first match of the quarter-final phase. Uxue Guereca contributed with 29 points for Mexico, followed by Grecia



Castro and Melanie Parra who knew how to make a difference in the key moments and got 16 points each. Chile fought with its main figures, Maike Bertens and Beatriz Novoa with 27 and 18 points respectively.

### Cuba 3, Colombia 0

Cuba joined the semifinals defeating a seasoned and youthful Colombian team with ample superiority. The team of Tomás Fernández sealed his classification in 1 hour 29 minutes of play, with a 3-0 (25-13, 25-18, 25-15).

Ailama Cese was the top scorer with 17 points, while Thalia Moreno, Diaris Pérez, Yamisleydis Viltres and Laura Suárez each contributed 10 points. Ana Karina Olaya was the best Colombian with 8 points.