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Mexico and Canada to battle for the gold

SANTO DOMINGO, Dominican Republic, September 8, 2021 – Mexico earned their place in the gold medal match of the Men's Volleyball Pan American Cup with an upset victory against United States on Wednesday.

Mexico won 3-0 (25-22, 29-27, 25-20) for just their third victory in 10 decisions against United States in the 15-year history of the competition.

Diego Gonzalez and Josué López led Mexico with 17 and 11 points, respectively, while Cole Gillis and Kyle McCauley finished with 14 and 13 for the American side.



After losing in their first two outings against United States and Canada, the Mexican team has won four in a row against Suriname, Puerto Rico, Dominican Republic and United States.

Canada 3, Dominican Republic 0

Canada defeated Dominican Republic in straight sets 3-0 (25-22, 25-22, 25-20) on Wednesday to join Mexico in the gold medal match. It was the second win of Canada over Dominican Republic in the competition following their 3-1 victory when the two sides met with undefeated record at 3-0 in the preliminary phase.

Canada outscored Dominican Republic in blocking (6-1) and aces (5-0) while leading in attacks (46-33).

The winners made 12 unforced errors to 18 by the defeated side.

Jesse Elser and Brodie Hofer, the two top Canadian scorers, once again led their side with 19 and 17 points, respectively. Jackson Howe chipped in with 9 points, including four blocks.

Henry Tapia and Alexis Cruz were the main Dominican weapons with 13 and 12 points, respectively



Puerto Rico 3, Suriname 1

Puerto Rico defeated Suriname 3-1 (25-16, 20-25, 28-26, 27-25) in the match for fifth place.

Diego Negron led five Puerto Ricans in double figures with 15 points. Elias Rodriguez and Pedro Molina tallied 13 and 11 while Sebastián Negrón and Ismael Alomar each tallied 10 points.

Keven Sporkslede and David Pinas were the top scorers of the match with 22 and 20 points, respectively, even though both played for the losing side. Zefanio Breinburg added 13.