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Nicolas Bruno MVP as Argentina wins second Pan Am Games Gold in a row

LIMA, Peru, August 4, 2019.- Argentinean captain Nicolas Bruno won the MVP award as Argentina beat Cuba 3-0 (25-20, 25-17, 25-20) on Sunday at the Multisport Complex El Callao to win their second Pan Am Games Gold medal in a row at the Lima 2019 Pan American Games.

It is the third gold medal for Argentina in Pan American Games and the second in a row (1995, 2015) sweeping an erratic Cuban team. For Cuba, this is their fifth silver medal in the history of the Games (1983, 1987, 2003, 2011). Argentina also beat Cuba at the preliminary round.

Cuba never stabilized their offense neither their blocking against Argentina's remarkable tactics. The two-time champion recovered from an early four-point deficit (2-6) in set three when Cuba was working hard to reach their desirable overtime.

Argentina outblocked Cuba by a sizeable 11-5 advantage and held a 39-32 margin in kills, while committing 17 unforced errors. Cuba finished with a 3-1 advantage in aces and committed 17 unforced errors.

Opposite player German Johansen led Argentina with 14 points on 9 kills, 4 blocks and one ace and Jan Franchi Martinez followed with 11 points all on kills. Cuba's



top scorer was Miguel Angel Lopez with 13 points on 11 kills and 2 aces.



Dream Team

- 1st Best Outside Hitter** Carlos Barreto (BRA)
- 2nd Best Outside Hitter** Vicente Parraguirre (CHI)
- 1st Best Blocker** Livan Osoria (CUB)
- 2nd Best Blocker** Roamy Alonso (CUB)
- Best Setter** Matias Sanchez (ARG)
- Best Libero** Sebasitan Castillo (CHI)
- Best Opposite** Maurice Torres (PUR)
- MVP** Nicolas Bruno (ARG)

Final standing: 1. Argentina, 2. Cuba, 3. Brazil, 4. Chile, 5. Puerto Rico, 6. United States, 7. Mexico, 8. Peru.

Bronze medal match

Brazil 3, Chile 0

Brazil won the Men's Volleyball bronze medal match of the 2019 Lima Pan American Games to Chile 3-0 (25-12, 25-19, 25-21). Brazil won their fifth bronze medal at Pan Am Games (1955, 1971, 1987, 2003) with no complications but with a lot more resistance and leveled scores from Chile in set three. Brazil also outplayed Chile here in Lima during the preliminary round.

Brazil topped Chile since the first set jumping to an early and overwhelming lead. Brazil outnumbered Chile in every skill, with 42-34 in attack, 6-1 in blocks and 5-1 in aces. The bronze medalists allowed 16 points on unforced errors and Chile a total of 22. Outside hitter Kadu scored a match-high of 18 points all on kills for Brazil's bronze medal win, while opposite player Aboubacar Dramé registered 10 points all on kills as well and middle blocker Eder Carbonera scored 9 points including 3 aces. Outside hitter Vicente Parraguirre, kept his leading attacking offense for Chile with 14 points.