

Three pairs with two victories in Varadero

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VARADERO, Cuba, July 14, 2017 – Three men's teams of the fourteen taking part in competition scored two victories in opening day of the fourth stop of the NORCECA Beach Volleyball Circuit at Barcelo Solymar Arenas Blancas Hotel.

Jeremy Casebeer/John Mayer of USA-B defeated compatriots Skylar del Sol/Jon Mesko of USA-B 2-0 (21-19, 21-16) and Cuba-D of debutants Daniel Duran/Hermes Quevedo 2-1 (17-21, 21-16, 15-10) to lead Pool D.

Other teams who dominated in both outings were in Pool C, Rosso Bonneau/Fecteau-Boutin of Canada-A and Luis Reyes/José Luis Aguilera of Cuba-C, the latter in their first international experience, who swept the teams of Suriname and Guatemala.

The champions of the three previous stops, Karell Peña/Daisel Quesada of Cuba-

B defeated Ruben Mora/Dany Lopez of Nicaragua 2-0 (21-15, 21-15) and the Dominicans Victor Castillo/William Sanchez over the same Central Americans 2-0 (27-25, 21-14) in the only matches in Pool B.

One of the teams favored to win the gold, Sergio Gonzalez and Nivaldo Díaz of Cuba-A didn't have problems in Pool A to sweep Sylvester Hodge Penny/Rohan Jeffers of St Kitts and Nevis 2-0 (21-11, 21-10) in 27 minutes.

The latter were also victims of Fiodar Kazhamiaka/Sergey Grabovsky of Canada-B by scores of 21-11, 21-7 so they will face on Saturday the fifth placed at the Olympics of Rio 2016 to close the preliminary phase ahead of the quarterfinals.

Men's Results on Friday:

Pool A: CAN-B d SKN-A 2-0 (21-11, 21-7); CUB-A d SKN 2-0 (21-11, 21-10).

Pool B: DOM d NCA 2-0 (27-25, 21-14); CUB-B d NCA 2-0 (21-15, 21-15).

Pool C: CUB-C d SUR 2-0 (21-17, 21-10); CAN-A a GUA 2-0 (21-19, 21-17); CUB-C d GUA 2-0 (21-14, 21-19); CAN-A d SUR 2-0 (21-7, 21-13).

Pool D: USA-B d USA-A 2-0 (21-19, 21-16); CUB-D d CRC 2-0 (21-16, 21-14); USA-A d CRC 2-0 (21-9, 21-8); USA-B d CUB-D 2-1 (17-21, 21-16, 15-10).