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CONCACAF Selects Group of Elite Referees for 2013 Gold Cup

Miami, FL (Friday, July 05, 2013) - The Confederation of North, Central America and Caribbean Association Football (CONCACAF) revealed today the list of referees set to officiate the matches of the 2013 CONCACAF Gold Cup.

"We are proud to have gathered such an elite group of referees to oversee the integrity of every game during Gold Cup," said Enrique Sanz, General Secretary of CONCACAF. "We look forward to seeing the best the region has to offer on the field, both players and match officials during this tournament."

After a week of rigorous physical training and tests in Southern California under the supervision of CONCACAF Director of Referee Administration Brian Hall, a former FIFA World Cup referee, the list of 30 referees and six referee assessors for the duration of the tournament was selected.

"CONCACAF has assembled a superb team of match officials for the 2013 edition of our premier national team tournament," said Hall. "Each appointed official has just completed four extensive days of technical training and has shown exceptional levels of fitness by passing the required FIFA fitness test. We are confident that this group will manage each of the important CONCACAF Gold Cup matches at a world-class level."

One referee, two assistant referees and a fourth official will be named for each CONCACAF Gold Cup match, beginning with Sunday's opening double header at the Rose Bowl in Pasadena, featuring matchups between Canada and Martinique, followed by Mexico and Panama.

The referees for those opening day matches, as well as those assigned to the opening rounds of Group B in Harrison, NJ, and Group C in Portland, will be announced on-line via the GoldCup.org and CopaOro.org websites, at 2:30 PM Pacific Time on Saturday June 6.

Following that announcement, referees for each additional group play double-header will be revealed on-line 24 hours prior to the beginning of each match day.

At the conclusion of group play, ten referees and ten assistant referees will be selected to officiate the critical quarterfinal and semi-final matches. From this group, two referees and two assistant referees will be appointed to direct the final game of the tournament.

The 36-man official roster (6 referee assessors and 30 referees) for the 2013 CONCACAF Gold Cup is as follows:

Referees

Aguilar, Joel (SLV); Bonilla, Elmer (SLV); Boria, Eric (USA); Brea, Marcos (CUB); Brière, Philippe (CAN); Browne Graeme (SKN); Campbell, Courtney (JAM); Castro, Armando (HON); Cruz, Hugo (CRC); Fletcher, Joseph (CAN); Gantar, David (CAN); Geiger, Mark (USA); Hurd, Mark (USA); Jara, Octavio (CRC); Leal, Hermenerito (GUA); Louisville, Ramon (SUR); Marrufo, Jair (USA); Morgan, Ricardo (JAM); Page, Garnet (JAM); Quesada, Walter (CRC); Quintero, Marcos (MEX); Ramírez, Christian (HON); Rodriguez, Marco (MEX); Rodriguez, Héctor (HON); Santos, Javier (PUR); Solís, Jeffrey (CRC); Torrentera, Marvin (MEX); Torres, William (SLV); Wijngaarde, Enrico (SUR); Zumba, Juan Francisco (SLV)

Referee Assessors

Campos, Donald (NCA); Darville, Stanley (BAH); Ramírez, José Francisco (MEX); Recinos, Neftali (SLV); Wilbur, Donald (USA); Yero, Luis (CUB)