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Officials for the 2007 Pan American Games

The Pan American Hockey Federation has announced the Officials for the 15th Pan American Games to be held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, from July 15 to July 25, 2007.

MEN	Tournament Director:	BUDEISKY, Alberto	ARG
	Technical Officials:	HARRIS, Willard	TRI
		SANDISON, Derek	CAN
	Umpires Manager:	MORALES LOPEZ, Antonio	ESP
	Assistant Umpires Manager:	St. ROSE, Roger	TRI
	Medical Officer:	WONG, Fook	USA
	Communications Officer:	HUCKENDUBLER, Yan	CAN
	Judges:	AVILES, Raymond	PUR
		BARRET, Radcliffe	JAM
		BURKE, Cameron	BAR
		NORIEGA, Dauly Balbuena	CUB
		VIEGAS, Roque	USA
		DA SILVA NASCIMENTO, André	BRA
	Neutral Umpires:	GRIME, Murray	AUS
		SINGH, Amarjit	MAS
	Umpires:	LOPEZ RAMOS, Daniel	URU
		MARCANO, Albert	TRI
		MONTES de OCA, German	ARG
		PUTRA, Sumesh	CAN
		AARON, Saleem	USA
		SOTERIADES, Constantine (Gus)	USA
		PEÑA VILA, Raúl	CUB
		WENZ KÜPFER, Diego	CHI

The men's competition will feature 8 countries, namely Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Cuba, Netherlands Antilles, Trinidad & Tobago and the winner of a three-game series between Mexico and USA (to be played in Bermuda on March 8, 10 and 11, 2007).

WOMEN	Tournament Director:	BUDEISKY, Alberto	ARG
	Technical Officials:	CRAIG-ROUSSEAU, Maureen	TRI
		PIGRETTI, María Laura	ARG
	Umpires Manager:	McCLINTOCK, Janice	CAN
	Medical Officer:	WONG, Fook	USA
	Communications Officer:	HUCKENDUBLER, Yan	CAN
	Judges:	CAMPOS RASMUSSEN, Paulina	CHI
		de SOUZA, Fernanda Granato	BRA
		JOHNSON, Margaret	CAN
		PICHERY, Maria	BER
		TABO de ARRASCAETA, Katherine	URU
		TAKEDA HIRATA, Alicia	MEX
	Neutral Umpires:	BRUNEKREEF, Caroline	NED
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	Umpires:	IPARRAGUIRRE, Soledad	ARG
		DIAZ HERNANDEZ, Marina	MEX
		McCLEAN, Ayanna	TRI
		PEREZ CASTRO, Maritza	URU
		SANCHEZ MOYANO, Mercedes	ARG
		SIMMONS, Emma	BER
		STEWART HUYTON, Wendy	CAN
		VIDELA, Claudia	CHI

The women's competition will feature 8 countries, namely Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Cuba, Netherlands Antilles, Uruguay and USA.

The Pan American Games are a qualifier for the Olympic Games, with the two winners in Rio de Janeiro earning an automatic berth for the 2008 Games in Beijing.

For more information, please visit the Pan American Hockey Federation web site at www.panamhockey.org

The Pan American Hockey Federation (PAHF) is recognized by the FIH as the governing continental federation for all field hockey in the Pan American region. There are 22 member Nations of the PAHF. For more information please contact <u>info@panamhockey.org</u>