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Preliminary Pool A
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Chile	2	Final
USA	1	

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Warmup: Welcome to the 2nd Pan American Cup for Men

Warmup: This is Hari Kant here bringing you this key matchup between the USA and Chile

Warmup: The winner here will earn 2nd spot in the pool and a spot in the semi finals

Warmup: Both teams with 9 points after 4 points after dropping one game each to Argentina

1: We are underway

2: The US will need a victory in this match as Chile enjoy a slight goal difference advantag

2: Chile only needing the draw

2: Play in the midfield

2: CHI looking to scoop out of the back

2: US with pressure

3: and collect the ball back

4: Both teams tentative in the early going

4: Determined to establish the defense before attacking

4: These two stronger teams are fighting it out in Pool A as a result of Cuba dropping out.

4: One of them would likely be in Pool B and have an easier route to the semis

5: Now CHI scooping agai

5: Handled by Hindy

5: US get the fould

5: They play it back

6: CHI block them at the half and move up

6: They cross and it's through the circle

7: The US coming up.

7: Harris getting through the middle and his shot is wide

7: CHI regain the ball and are in the 25

8: Shot by O'Rayn is saved by Wellings

9: Opening up now and the US into the circle, the deflection by Kundi is off Anwandter

9: CHI counter with the long ball and Bhamber is given a warning for a strong tackle

9: CHI near the 25

9: Casanova to take the hit

9: THeY take their time

9: Pass to Sotomayor coming through the back is not trapped

10: Key players for Chile are Montegu their captain in the midfield. O'Rayn and Kuhlenthal up front and Sotomayor and Amorosa in defense

11: The US look to Harris, Martin and Scally to attack while Nakamura is solid in defense

11: CHI up the left side and it's off a US foot for the first corner of the game

11: Montegu has scored a number of goals on the drag flick
12: GOAL: Montegu with the drag flick. Wellings with what was almost a great stick save, but it trickled in afterwards
12: Chile strike first through their captain
14: US opening it up slightly and playing with more urgency
14: CHI counter with some speed but that is handled
14: Now in the midfield it's the US
14: Harris back to Nakamura across to the left side
15: Long pass to Kainth K and he earns a long corner
15: The advance the free hit
15: Near the circles edge
15: That is stopped by Krainz and Koppenburger
15: CHI withstand that attack
16: The are in the midfield
17: Some back and forth play here
17: Now the US advance through Harris to Martin at the top of the circle
17: Nice dribble and he earns the US their first corner
18: They cannot stop it at the top and Harris passes to Badhensha. Good chance here and his shot is off the side board
19: The US up the right and switched left
19: Scally trying to work against two red Chile shirts
19: He gets the foul
19: Near the circle now the US drives it in but CHI is there to clear
20: US still. Good control by Martin and he sends it outside to Badhensha.
20: His cross is off the foot of the CHI defender for another corner for the US
21: Again they cannot trap it and Kundi cannot get something
21: CHI clear, US move it back into the circle. Off the endline
23: Now it's the US up the right and a harsh stick tackle by CHI results in another corner
23: Again the US cannot control the corner and its whistled against them
24: Three wasted corner opportunities for the US.
25: The teams that have been winning games are the ones that are converting their corners
25: The US not managing to get a shot off
25: While CHI is one for one
25: CHI now sending the long ball and nearly connecting to Kuhlenthal
26: CHI play it back, happy to control the ball
26: Now O'Rayn for CHI up the right side with Krainz
26: They earn a long corner
27: CHI drive it in and stopped by the US wall
27: here is some nice passing by Casanova
27: and CHI advance
27: A loose ball into the circle
27: Hindy misplays it and the second corner for CHI
28: Drag flick saved by Wellings. Montegu went low to the glvove side this time and wellings was up to the task
29: On the long corner it's Kuhlenthal with some nice moves to earn a corner
29: Drag flick and Wellings with a great save against Montegu
29: A stick save on the drag flick
29: CHI re-enter the circle

29: They dribble through and it's a penalty stroke
30: The US complain but there was some stick clashes on Kuhlenthal
30: GOAL: Koppenberger beats Wellings low to the glove side
30: The US now lamenting their three missed corners as CHI make the most of their opportunities
32: The US trying to get one back before the half
33: They push forwards but cannot connect on the high pass.
33: CHI clears it to the US backline
33: The US mistrap and CHI move the ball up
33: Short passing.
33: US with a sideline hit
34: It goes all the way through and CHI counter with a scoop back
35: US driving the line. K Kainth working against Rodriguez
35: Long corner. Harris approaches the play
35: He gets the short pass and tries to get into the circle
35: He advances the ball
35: CHI push the ball away and are lucky not to get a corner against
35: US push the ball into the circle and the deflection is on goal. It's an easy save for Anwandter
35: CHI move it on and they look to delay the game until the half
35: Montegue dribbling against three S players with some success
35: The US get it back now and CHI rush back in retreat
35: And that is the half
HT: CHI strike twice in the first half and have the US under pressure
HT: They had two phases of attack in the match. The first was a short burst that led to their PC goal and the second was a 6 minute stretch where they earned 3 corners and ultimately the stroke
HT: The US had more of the possession throughout the half but did not get quality shots on goal
HT: Their three corners were wasted as they were unable to stop the ball
HT: The US with great pressure in the last 5 minutes but CHI stayed calm and held
35: The teams are ready to go for the 2nd half
35: The US needing to score early but not open themselves up to attack
35: Scally in the midfield
35: He switches it right
35: Up to Kundi. The US advances. Into Martin he tries to get a corner and CHI get it out
35: CHI up the left
35: The US there Martin switches to Scally
35: he cuts in and dishes it to Cota
35: Long ball is out of the reach of the US forwards
38: CHI scoop. US collects and comes back
38: All CHI players defending
39: US stops this scoop and switch it to the left.
40: Into the circle and CHI get it out
40: Bouncing ball and good dribbling by Montegu
40: Fouled by Hindy
40: Long ball is trapped by the US defense. Nakamura hits it up the field
41: Mostly US possession and CHI will be happy to scoop it out as long as it's a two goal lead
41: US with a free hit at the top of the circle

41: Cross is deflected over the goal for a long corner
43: The US with a good run into the circle. A shot and goal and Anwandter bats that out
43: Still the US Martin tackled by Amoroso
43: Long corner
44: It's a chance for K Kainth. He is 5 yards out and his low shot is saved by Anwandter
45: He had more time than he realized
45: CHI still scooping it out
45: This time collected by kuhlenthal
46: and CHI on the attack tackled by Bhamber
46: They try the fast break and no one is open
46: CHI counter and their attack results in a long corner
47: It's into the circle and Krainz one on one and he finds the foot of Scally
47: Corner for CHI.
47: They are unable to stop it and Nakamura clears
48: US now up the right
49: That doesn't amount to anything
50: Montegu with a fabulous run up the left side. Corner for CHI
50: They option right and the hit is off a foot for another corner.
51: They manage to get the shot off and saved by Wellings
51: CHI continue to apply pressure
51: They are near the circle
51: Play getting a bit rougher
51: US moving up the right
51: They get the free hit
51: Harris dribbling and it's a free hit
52: Into Martin and he doesn't generate a play
52: Scoop by CHI to Kuhlenthal he cannot get the call
52: US again up the right and Kainth with the ball
52: In intentional foul and it's a corner
52: Kiojan Kainth with some good play in this match
53: Short pass and the US earns another corner
53: The US cannot stop it again
54: Badhensha tries to work it around Amoroso and it's a corner
54: A yellow card for Amoroso for intentionally using his body
55: They option on the corner and Harris doesn't control
56: The US with a cross into the circle
57: Badhensha doesn't get his stick on it
57: Martin dribbles into the 25 and his pass doesn't find Kainth
57: CHI scoop again
58: Pass to Harris is cleared by Koppenberger
58: Cross by Harris and it's a long
58: They play that and Sotomayor is able to clear
58: Kainth works it into the circle but runs out of room
59: Now CHI scoop and Kuhlenthal works against 3 US defenders.
59: CHI not risking their backfield.

60: Harris running through the middle to Hindy
60: His long pass into the circle and it's off a foot
60: Corner
61: Off the stick of Anwandter
62: Hindy gets a Yellow card.
62: There was a scuffle trying to get the ball out of the goal and Hindy knocked the defender
62: The US close the gap and have some momentum
63: But CHI move up the left side and that cross is cleared by Wellings.
63: The US counters long and no one is there
63: Martin with some good work to regain the ball
64: The US need two goals in the next 6 minutes to get them into the semis
64: CHI using all the delay tactics
65: Scally with a good tackle
65: Chile comes in again with O'Rayn and out comes Wellings.
65: The shot is over him and saved on the line
66: CHI on the long corner, they lose it and Namakura with the long hit
66: CHI get it back
67: Now a yellow card for Rodriguez for some rough play in the midfield.
67: Time running out for the US
68: US playing it around the midfield before moving up the right
68: They cross and it's wide
68: CHI with the advantage on goal difference and will be happy to protect what is effectively a 2 goal lead
68: CHI scoop again and eat up valuable time
69: The US slow to move the ball up the field
69: They are playing 10 aside with a player off for each team
69: The US attacking
70: CHI with all their players in defense and once again scoop it out
70: And that's the final horn.
70: Chile win their final pool match to earn second spot in Pool A
Final: It all came down to the missed chances by the US in the first half.
Final: They were unable to stop their corners and that cost them.
Final: They generated more chances than CHI throughout the match
Final: CHI with a few good patches in the first half and scored their goals
Final: Solid victory for CHI in this match
Final: They move into 2nd place in Pool A and barring an upset Puerto Rico loss to Argentina they will likely play Canada in the semi finals
Final: The US drop to third and will await the days matches to see who they will encounter in the cross overs.
Final: Thanks for tuning in for today's match. Stay tuned for the next match pitting the Dutch Antilles against Trinidad & Tobago.
Final: This key match will determine the 2nd place spot in Pool B.
Final: This is Hari Kant signing off for PlanetFieldHockey.com in partnership with the Pan American Hockey Federation.