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Warmup: Hello and welcome to the 2nd Pan American Cup for men

Warmup: This is Hari Kant bringing you this 5th place clash between the Netherlands Antilles (AHO) and Mexico

Warmup: The Dutch Antilles beat Puerto Rico 5-2 in the crossover to earn their spot in this match.

Warmup: Mexico had an upset victory over the US.

Warmup: Both teams had a goal of finishing in the top 6 in this tournament and now that they have they would love nothing more than to finish 5th

Warmup: MEX with a young team and they do not even have a full compliment of 18 players

Warmup: AHO are a verteran bunch despite the fact that the country doesn't have a long history of player international hockey

Warmup: We are closing in on the start time.

Warmup: The teams are coming out now. AHO in red and MEX in green

Warmup: The fans are showing up and there is a lot of orange in the stands

1: We are underway

1: MEX with the push back

1: They play the scoop and Barrera able to clear

2: AHO at the back and Overgaauw under pressure from MEX

2: Turned over and Gomez breaks but it's called from an earlier foul

2: Garcia with a nice play AHO clear it up the sideline

2: and now play it back

3: MEX playing with some press against the technical AHO team

3: They attack up the middle and DeGier passes accross and stopped by martinez

3: MEX with 8 guys in defense.

4: But a through ball to Chavez but he cannot control it

4: AHO up the right and some fast wheels from Miranda bloscks that play

4: AHO tackles hard and Cuevas is dumped. A warning from the Umpire

4: MEX with the possession, playing patiently in the back

5: They are not spreading it out and are not going for the long ball, preferring to keep the possession.

5: Garci cannot handle that long pass

5: DeGier with a nice run in the midfield

5: MEX counter and Garcia into the circle and Chavez unable to tip it in

5: AHO up the left

5: Vink stopped by the right half Marquez

6: AHObstop the counter

6: MEX does well eith the possession. Tackled by Rademaker

6: Witsenberg with a break and he gets a free hit.

6: Good defending by MEX, Martinez moves it on. They like to attack up the left wing

7: Rademaker collects. He is wearing the captains band goday

7: Van de Braak with a nice play near the MEX circle
7: Cross in and no one makes contact
7: Overgaauw was there.
7: AHO now attacking DeGier passing and it's a long corner
8: Zuleta with a nice tackle
8: MEX defending well
8: and now they break out
8: Tackled by Vullingsh
8: MEX still attacking
9: But Van de Braak unable to make the counter attack work
9: MEX into the circle and Rademaker looking steady clearing this out. Looking steady early on
9: Overgaauw clearing with a scoop
10: Well played by Vullingsh taking it out of danger
10: Long scoop and Vesseur stopping that
11: MEX using the left side a lot while AHO attacking from both
11: Garcia with some speed in the midfield and it goes into the right corner
11: Gomez earns a long corner against Rijsemus
12: An even game so far with not much circle penetratoin. MEX with a territorial advantage
12: Vesseur with a good break again but couldn't control it
13: Here is a great run by Vullingsh and he is able to reverse stick cross and Visscher can not find he cross
13: MEX now with a reverse stick shot by Gomez, it's deflected high
14: into the circle and cleared by AHO
14: MEX controlling the ball
15: AHO with some fast breaks.
15: Garcia now counters and Moreno cuts back inside
15: Playing it back and a lazy tackle by Vullings and it's a corner for MEX
16: Broken early for AHO
16: Chavez lined up to shoot
16: Not stopped properly and Van De Braak with the stop
16: Counter attack but it's tipped away.
17: MEX breaking themselves
17: It's hit to the right wing and Cueves wins that battle against Vesseur
18: Gomez collects the ball and a hard check against AHO and it's a corner
18: A hard drive by Marquez it hit wide
18: Garcia with another tackle to contain the AHO attack
18: Here is a break and a flurry of chances for MEX
19: Martinez shooting and it's saved by Kolen. Another shot before AHO clears
19: Good pressure for MEX
20: Gomez tackles Visscher well as AHO break out
21: A battle there won by Visscher
21: AHO with their first sustained attack and it's Van de Braak playing it off of Cuevas for a corner
22: Drag flick saved by Vargas and that is saved.
22: Good save there against Overgaauw
22: MEX gives it away but he reacts well for the tackle
22: MEX with a nice run and Chavez with a good break

22: Then a call against them.

23: A bit of physical play and it s Garcia and Vesseur who get a warning

23: AHO out to the winger Van De Braak. it's a long corner

23: sharp tackle by Rosales and his foul against the Visscher results in a corner against MEX

24: Drag flick stopped by Vargas again. He is seeing the shot clearly and making good saves

25: MEX scooping it out and Rademaker clears that

25: MEX showing good maturity in this match

25: Overgaauw confined to the sidelines and run out of bounds

25: Vullingsh tackled by Marques and MEX earn a sharp foul on that play

25: MEX give it away

26: but AHO cannot do anything with it

26: Rosales with a blind shot into the circle and it's cleared and AHO counters

26: Van de Braak lookng tired

27: MEX around the badk

27: switching it up the field

27: AHO defender falls and Rademaker steps up to fill the gap

27: AHO earn a long corner

27: De Gier over the ball

27: into the circle

27: and Van de Braak receives the pass and a corner off the foot of Zuleta

28: So the third corner for AHO

28: Drag flick and saved on the line by Marquez and it goes high. Another corner as it went high

28: GOAL: Give and go and Overgaauw pops it upstairs

29: Perfect execution for AHO after they were stopped on three direct hits

29: MEX looking a little rattled now as AHO look for another

29: Another goal before the half

30: Not a bad run by Miranda but Rademaker able to stear him to the endline

31: Scooped out and Van Stapele loses it in the midfield

31: AHO with their players back now letting MEX play it around the back, but not much penetration into the 25

31: Now they get in and it's bendel tackling and getting a long corner

32: Good play by Rademaker to tackle and clear

32: Garcia gives it up deep and now Moreno into the circle and Garcia not able to handle

32: Since the AHO goal it's been mostly MEX with the posession

34: Good move by Miranda

34: He earns a free hit near the circle now a long corner

35: Cuevas takes that and it's called high

35: AHO clear the ball and it's a long hit through

35: Chavez rejected on the break.

35: And that is the half.

HT: AHO with the one goal lead. MEX playing patiently but with some emotion

HT: But AHO given 4 chances on their corner and go to the option on the fourth one to score.

36: We are underway now

36: MEX coming forwards and a nice spin move by Miranda

37: Forcing a free hit and it's a funny bounce and a short corner for MEX

37: AHO arguing about it but it seemed pretty clear

38: MEX mistrap and a counter for AHO

38: What a chance for Vesseur but saved by Vargas

38: Good save as he stayed on his feet and made a glove save

39: Visscher with another chance but it's off his back stick

40: MEX coming through the middle and he cannot switch the play

40: Now MEX coming through and they earn a corner.

40: They were dissapointed it wasn't more

40: They cannot trap it

40: Lost opportunities for MEX

40: Long break for AHO

40: Van Stapele running deep and Rosales with a nice tackle

41: A good run up the left and the speed generates a corner against AHO.

41: MEX working the left as they did in the first half but now AHO looking more tired.

42: The option is back to the pusher but Cueves couldn't get it over Kolen

42: Anothre chance and chavez cannot get a touch

42: Still MEX with the ball in the attacking zone

42: Lots of pressure This cros is high

43: MEX playing well and inthe midfield Rademaker with a rough tackle. Pushing the player after the whistle

43: It's a Green for Rademaker

44: The young MEX team playing with a lot of poise and they are right in this game

46: Long scoop by ARHO and it's collected by De Gier and rosales with some nice defence

46: Good play by Roberto Garcia. He's got speed and good moves

47: Another green card for AHO. I think they have 4 now.

47: Now MEX patiently earn another corner

47: They are not giving up. Drag flick and Kolen with the save

47: And cleared

48: Now it's Van Stapele working against MEX Visscher crosses and De Gier loses it

48: MEX out to the half

48: Short passing and AHO back in numbers

48: MEX doing well to move it up despite the abundance of AHO players and it's a corner

48: Outside the circle, and no reason to give it up

49: Drag flick and saved by Kolen. It isn't cleared and Rosales earns another corner

49: MEX unable to stop the corner pushout

50: AHO with a quick break and Visscher puts it off a foot and it's a corner

50: First penetrating run for AHO in this half

49: Overgaauw dribbling and he is around the keeper. M

49: Marquez with a great play to save it but it's off his leg and it's a stroke

49: Overgaauw against Vargus

50: GOAL: Shot low glove side for Overgaauw

50: AHO with a big lead now

50: MEX should be dissapointed as they had all this half but give up a goal on the counter attack

50: AHO with the insurance

52: Vischer with a break and he is taken down on a rough play and the umpire lets it play on

51: Van Stapele runs into the heavy water in the corner and they get a free hit

51: Overgaauw with the cross.

52: Through the circle
52: MEX still on the attack
53: Here is a chance, the cross for Moreno and it's just out of his reach
54: MEX with another run and Rademaker fouls
55: MEX into the circle and it's Garcia with a good shot and Kolen with the save.
55: Cleared high and it's another corner
55: Poorly executed corner and Rosales gets it back.
55: He tries to outwait everyone and the Kolen is down but the shot is just wide.
57: MEX back in their end and working it up the field
57: AHO comes back and it's Roberto Garcia for MEX playing well in the midfield
57: It's a card against AHO and it's a yellow for De Gier
58: Finally time runs out for AHO and their rough tackling and it's a Yellow
58: A chance for MEX now
58: Rosales not able to make space and AHO get the call
58: It's a bad scoop and MEX attack again
59: Great attack for MEX and Miranda from Garcia and it's fantastic diving save by Kolen
59: Kolen maintains a clean sheet.
60: MEX squandering another chance but still looking composed in this match
62: MEX with a break and nice running gets the foul
62: Into the circle and through the circle
62: AHO deep on the right side
62: Rademaker to scoop. loses it
62: Rosales turns and it's stopped by Van Nierop and ht clears powerfully
62: MEX come right back with Roberto Garcia
63: AHO giving up the ball quickly and MEX coming right back
64: AHO under tremendous pressure
64: Here is a hit into the circle and the deflection is in the goal but it's called high
64: MEX with Edgar Garcia up the endline and he earns another corner.
65: MEX have generated a lot of attack but unable to score
65: They need this one here
65: MEX unable to stop the corner. That has been their problem in this game
65: MEX come back and Rademaker makes the stop
66: MEX into the circle and that shot is into the player.
66: AHO now up the right and Visscher near the circle
66: Overgaauw waiting and that's Martinez with a good run
68: MEX still coming at them
69: into the circle and a good save by Kolen
69: But it's a corner
69: MEX unable to get a good shot off as AHO is able to tackle well
70: That corner is stroked wide
70: This is a great tackle by MEX.
70: Now a final horn and it's a corner for MEX
70: So AHO will win this match
70: Just a formality for this corner
70: Shot and saved by Kolen and it's cleared.

Final: And that's the final score.

Final: Great result for AHO. They are celebrating well

Final: The advantage of size certainly helped AHO as they were able to clear and block the lanes well

Final: Their experience showing through as well

Final: MEX shouldn't be dissapointed as they played a great game for 70 minutes but ultimately lost it on Penalty Corner execution

Final: So The Dutch Antilles finish in 5th place and Mexico in 6th

Final: The three stars as picked by Sandeep Chopra are Thomas Kolen the keeper for AHO

Final: 2nd Star Caspar Rademaker playing a great game in defense for AHO

Final: And the third star Roberto Garcia providing MEX plenty of spark in the midfield.

Final: That's it for today's coverage. Tomorrow we will have the Bronze and Gold medal games

Final: This is Hari Kant signing off for PlanetFieldHockey and the Pan American Hockey Federation.

Final: Good night from London Canada.

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