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Women's WP, 5th day, flash quotes

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W31

For the 15th place

[South Africa-Kazakhstan 4-6 \(1-2, 2-2, 1-0, 0-2\)](#)

Samuel Gareth, head coach (RSA):

"The difference between the two teams was nothing. The match could be gone in another way. We had the chance to win, but we have to practice more and learn. By the way, I am happy with the performance of my players."

Lauren Nixon (RSA):

"I am a little bit upset with the final result, but we played well, and we must learn and improve ourselves as we are not a professional team. Every team mates work or study. By the way, I enjoyed my time in Budapest as it is a lovely city as Hungary is a lovely country."

No flash quotes from Kazakhstan.

For the 13th place

[Brazil-Japan 9-11 \(2-2, 2-6, 2-1, 3-2\)](#)

Hideo Katho, head coach (JPN):

"Our defense and cooperation was better than the last time, so we were able to win. Budapest is a very relaxed and quite city. we are here for three weeks and we are really enjoying it."

Sakanoue Chiaki (JPN):

„I was quite satisfied with my performance today because I was able to make a lot of counterattacks which is my edge. Budapest is a really beautiful city, you know the night time, the lights and the people are very kind. We will cheer for our men’s team tomorrow then we will have to go back to Japan."

Eduardo Abla, head coach (BRA):

"In the beginning of the match the team was playing in a very confusing way and it was hard to change, but in the third period my players start to play better and better. Unfortunately it wasn't enough to reach the goal and to win the match. By the way I am happy and proud of my team. We reach the best we could do with only fifteen days of training before the World Championships."

Marina Zablith (BRA):

"I do not feel good after today's match as it was not what I expected. We could have done what our coach had told us to do, so right now I am pretty angry with the result."

For 9-11th places:

[New Zealand-Netherlands 4-19 \(1-5, 1-6, 1-3, 1-5\)](#)

Angela Winstanley-Smith, head coach (NZL):

"We have a lot of opportunities to score and we didn't take them, Netherlands punished us. Unfortunately we face them that is one of the worst opponent ever for us in the bracket 9-12th place. They respect us and they play very fast."

Alexandra Boyd (NZL):

"I am a bit dissapointed. We slowed down a little, espacially in the beginning. They had a really good attack. They scored some good goals, which really put us out. We fought hard, and kept going, which is good, at the end of the day."

Arno Havenga, head coach (NED):

„The hardest task for today was to build the mental motivation after the disappointment of the lost game against Russia and the rejection of our protest. I think the girls managed it well and played on our level. The women's competition is very strong and there are always good teams who are out of the best eight, unfortunately this time we are out of the quarterfinals. I suppose China will be our last opponent, with all my respect, they are much better than New Zealand but we try to collect the ninth place."

W34

[China-France 13-5 \(3-2, 3-2, 4-1, 3-0\)](#)

Dali Gong, head coach (CHN):

„I think this game was not easy. Every game is difficult, but if you try you can win. I really believe that with each match we are becoming better and better."

Ning Guo (CHN):

„I think it was a very aggressive game, because the French team is also very good. They played very well, but we got a lot of opportunities so we won the game. The next game is against the Netherlands, and they are also a very good team, we have played against them a lot of times. We will just do what we did today and concentrate on the game.“

Florian Bruzzo, head coach (FRA):

„The group has physically broken down in the second half of the game. One has to endure the pressure when playing against the Chinese team, but we could not do that today. Apart from that, I am satisfied with the girls' performance. We still have one game left, we will try to earn the 11th place, but I can already admit that the World Championships of 2017 were really great, we have learned a lot.“

Audrey Daule (FRA):

„I am not happy with the results. We started off pretty good, but later we slowed down our defense, and the Chinese team scored a lot of goals. But it's okay.“

W35 - 1st quarterfinal

[Italy-Russia 8-9 \(0-3, 4-1, 3-3, 1-2\)](#)

Fabio Conti, head coach (ITA):

“We payed too much because of our terrible start. We were unlucky, missing some clear chances and we started to get nervous. Despite of the final result, I am happy about the performance of my players. It is just the first international tournament after the Olympics, we changed some crucial players and, eventhough we won't earn a medal, we have a very good group, and I am sure that we have time to work and improve.“

Giulia Gorlero (ITA):

„We were surprised by the fast start of Russia. As our coach said, if we want to earn a medal, we have to build it match after match. We didn't approach the match in the right way and after that, we equalized it. We gave our best and we didn't have enough stamina in mantaining the result“.

Alexander Gaidukov head coach (RUS):

„We are happy, this was a very important game for us, we played against the silver medallists of Rio. We started off very well, we scored a lot. I am very satisfied because the team played very good, we are very pleased with the result and now we must start preparing for the semi-finals because if we want to go to the finals, we need to improve the quality of the game.“

Ekaterina Prokofyeva (RUS):

„It was tough to play against the second best water polo team in the world. The Italians changed their tactics in the middle of the game, which was expected. We are really happy

that we won, and now we'll prepare for our next match. No matter if it's going to be against the USA or Australia, I think that Russia's got a chance, and we will give our best."

W36 - 2nd quarterfinal

United States-Australia 7-5 (0-0, 3-0, 2-2, 2-3)

Adam Krikorian, head coach (USA):

„It was a tough game. Australia is well-coached, and have some physically strong players. Most people would describe them as 'a little bit down' this time, but we didn't look at it that way. This was probably one of the toughest games we've had in a while. The rain only affected the head coaches, because we were the only ones standing in the rain, everyone else was already wet. Two days ago I watched Russia beat the Netherlands. The Russians are extremely fast and really athletic, so I'm sure it's going to be a tough game."

Jordan Raney (USA):

It's great to get pass quarters. We're ready to go, Russia is a great team, a great coaching staff, great players, we are looking forward to a physical game with them. The rain makes it fun, it's sometimes a little scary, but it makes the atmosphere really cool.

Madeline Musselman (USA):

„I feel excited, playing Australia is always a big game, whether it's a quarter final, preliminary or final game, it's always a good fight. This was a fun win and definitely tough, but super fun. We take one game at a time, Russia is up next, which will be a good match up, they've been playing well, so it's gonna be a good battle."

Keesja Gofers, (AUS):

„We are really disappointed. We came here as underdogs, but we never stop fighting. The USA came up as the better team, and I wish them good luck in the the semi-finals. As a waterpolo player you can expect anything, bug, rain, or anything else. We had to deal with what comes to our way, as the other team had. I shot four goals, but it would've been better to shoot two more."

W37 - 3rd quarterfinal

Hungary-Canada 4-6 (0-1, 4-3, 0-1, 0-2)

Theoharis Pavlidis, head coach (CAN):

„There weren't as many goals as we wanted it. We had a very good defense, we didn't allow Hungary to lead the match which was the key to the win. From the first time we were ahead of them I was pretty sure that we will win the match."

Monika Eggens (CAN):

„I'm really happy. We reached our goal which was to get to the top eight, and now we are in the top four. And we're going on.“

Attila Bíró, head coach (HUN):

„We were not accurate in offense, that was the key for our defeat. We prepare for the tactics of Canada there wasn't any unexpected thing in their playing. Our shooting percentage was critically weak, it is not typical for us and I hope it won't be in the future. We didn't know what to do in offense againsts Canadians defense, our centre forwards couldn't do anything... We had a lot of shooting case but our trials were not succesful. May be the self-confidence wasn't in the right place in my players head.“

Rita Keszthelyi (HUN):

„To leave one player to score five goals... it is nonsense... I don't know what was tre problem but our shoots didn't reach the goal...“

Gréta Gurisatti (HUN):

„I am very dissappointed because we had the chances, a lot of chances but we couldn't do anything in offense. I still don't know why. I don't think that the crowd and the pressure was the problem, moreover we are thankful to them for supporting us.“

W38 - 4th quarterfinal

[Greece-Spain 10-10 - after penalties: 2-4 \(3-2, 2-2, 2-2, 3-4\)](#)

Georgios Morfesis, head coach (GRE):

„We really wanted to win, but we didn't manage to keep the score for us till the end. I think that the last exclusion was really unfair. We couldn't score in every penalty that's why we lost. I'm really sad because my team had a great possibility to get in the semi-finals, it was a really good chance for us.“

Alkisti Avramidou (GRE):

„Spain was indeed a difficult opponent. My emotions are mixed. Sometimes the referee makes mistakes that are very crucial but I think that we did our best.“

Miguel Oca, head coach (ESP):

„It was a hard and difficult match and really equal from the beginning to the end. Of course, we're really satisfied with the result in the end, we could score the goal to equalize in the last five seconds, and then today we were lucky. Now we have to start and prepare for the semi-final and continue the tournament until the end.“

Laura Ester (ESP):

„It was a tough game, we knew that the quarter final is no easy game. Greece was

performing an excellent tournament, they were first in their group. We started the game giving everything, but we had Greece in front of us, a really well organized team that also wanted so bad to win the game. Penalties are like the lottery, we wouldn't have been in that situation if my teammates hadn't helped me in defense. I was lucky to block one but my teammates scored four."