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Water polo: fight for two more Budapest berths

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The UANA Water Polo Cup began on February 7 at the National Aquatics Centre in Balmain Couva, Trinidad and Tobago. Two nations from the American continent can book their tickets to the 17th FINA World Championships.

The tournament featuring the national teams of Brazil, Argentina, Canada and Trinidad and Tobago is a qualifier for the 17th FINA World Championships' men's water polo tournament in Budapest.

Only two spots are still free, thus at the end of the UANA Qualification Cup, the field of the 17th FINA World Championships' men's water polo tournament will be complete.

The schedule (local time):

Tuesday, Feb 7:

Game 1 18:00 - Argentina - Brazil 3-9
Game 2 19:30 - Trinidad and Tobago - Canada 1-35

Wednesday Feb 8:

Game 3 18:00 - Canada -Argentina
Game 4 19:30 - Brazil - Trinidad and Tobago

Thursday Feb 9:

Game 5 18:00 - Brazil - Canada
Game 6 19:30 - Trinidad and Tobago - Argentina

Friday Feb 10:

Game 7 18:00 - 1st place vs. 4th place (semi-final) - for the FINA World Championships
Game 8 19:30 - 2nd place vs. 3rd place (semi-final) - for the FINA World Championships

Saturday Feb 11:

Game 9 11:00 - Loser #7 vs Loser #8 - for Bronze medal
Game 10 12:30 - Winner #7 vs winner #8 - for Gold medal

At the end of the tournament, the two finalist teams will qualify for the 17th FINA World Championships.

The Draw for the World Championships' Water Polo Tournament will be held on February 24, 2017, at 12:00 hours (CET) in Budapest. In the organization of the Budapest 2017 OC, the Draw will be conducted by FINA Bureau Member Mr. Dimitris Diathesopoulos and Mr Gianni Lonzi, Chairman of the FINA Technical Water Polo Committee.

Teams that already qualified (men):

Africa: South Africa

Europe: Croatia, Spain, France, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Montenegro, Russia, Serbia

Americas: United States

Asia: Japan, Kazakhstan

Oceania: Australia

Lines for the draw:

Line 1: Serbia, Croatia, Italy, Montenegro

Line 2: United States, Hungary, Americas 1, Greece

Line 3: Americas 2, Spain, Russia, Australia

Line 4: South Africa, Japan, Kazakhstan, France