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### **Canadians in the next round**

**Repentigny, August 30 2017** – It's a Canadian day today, where five players will continue their journey at the National Bank Open Junior Championships (NBIOC). SLEETH, MUAMBA, HUANG, BOULAIS et VAGRAMOV are all passing to the next round.

#### **On the boy's side**

The young Croatian, Duje AJDUKOVIC had a great day once again today and battled another seeded player at the NBIOC. He won 6-3, 6-1 against Ondrej STYLER (CZE), 11<sup>th</sup> seeded player in a match of two sets. The American Brian SHI unfortunately found himself defeated by the third seeded player Marko MILADINOVIC (SRB), with the marks of 6-4, 7-5.

#### **On the girl's side**

The Canadian Layne SLEETH goes to semi-finals. She comfortably won her match against the Indian Mihika YADAV, 11<sup>th</sup> seeded player of the tournament with the marks of 6-0, 6-4. Olga DANILOVIC (SRB) [3] also continued her journey with the National Bank Open Junior Championships by winning against Polish Maja CHWALINSKA 7-5, 7-6 (4). However, the seeded player then announced later in the afternoon that she was withdrawing from the tournament. Let us be reminded that DANILOVIC also withdrew at the finals last year. This now indicates that KOSTYUK will directly pass to finals.

Also, the awaited match between Marta KOSTYUK (UKR) [1] and Naho SATO (JPN) [12] also took place this afternoon on the central court. After having a break of serve in start of match, KOSTYUK disputed very tight matches but finished by winning with the scores of 3-6, 7-5, 6-3. It's in her third set that she outdid herself with two aces, even though she did do well and defended herself well all along the match. The last match of the night is being disputed right now between Maria Lourdes CARLE (ARG) [8] and Sofia SEWING (USA) [4].

#### **Double matches**

Nicaise MUAMBA and Chih Chi HUANG continue their spectacular show. Tonight, on the central court, the Canadian duo won against Toru HORIE, the second seeded player of the tournament and Yuta SHIMIZU, from Japan.

In reason of Olga DANILOVIC, who was supposed to play next to Marta KOSTYUK, our Canadian duo composed of Isabelle BOULAIS and Alexandra VAGRAMOV will go to finals. Let us be reminded that our Canadians accessed the demi-finals inclusively, their American opponents withdrawing from the doubles tournament yesterday.

### **Matches not to be missed**

Tomorrow on the central court, Duje AJDUKOVIC will battle Marko MILADINOVIC [3] in semi-finals. Let us note that AJDUKOVIC made a remarkable passage at the tournament by eliminating all the seeded players that were found on his passage this week, amongst others, GELLER [1].

For the female semi-final, the Canadian Layne SLEETH will dispute a match with the winner of the last simple match who is presently playing opposing Maria Lourdes CARLE (ARG) [8] and Sofia SEWING (USA) [4]. For the double finals on the boy's side, we will see the Canadian duo MUAMBA and HUANG compete against HAZAWA (JPN) [6] and ZAKHAROV (RUS). On the girl's side, it is also a Canadian duo composed of BOULAIS and VAGRAMOV who will battle Pei Hsuan CHEN (TPE) and Naho SATO (JPN) [4]

**The featured tournament matches will be presented in the evenings.**

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