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To all CCCAN Federations:

Below you will find the report respectfully submitted by the 2015-2019 CCCAN -Technical Water Polo Committee. The report will include the following sections:

1. Results from 2015 - 2018 CCCAN Water Polo Championships
2. CCCAN Countries' participation in UANA and FINA events
3. Water Polo development in our region

Due to the fact that every year a Youth- or Junior Pan-American Championship is held, the CCCAN is obliged to organize an objective Qualifying event in the corresponding preceding year.

This is only possible at CCCAN Championships where all counties can participate. Therefore there are now yearly CCCAN Water Polo Championships organized instead of bi-annual in combination with CISC and CAMEX as happened in the past.

1A. Results from 2015, the CCCAN Water Polo Championships in Puerto Rico

A total of 13 teams from four countries participated in four categories, two male and two female.

The final standings were:

CATEGORY	CATEGORY	CATEGORY	CATEGORY
18 UNDER MALE	18 UNDER FEMALE	15 UNDER MALE	15 UNDER FEMALE
1 PUR	1 PUR	1 TRI	1 TRI
2 TRI	2 TRI	2 PUR	2 PUR
3 JAM	3 JAM	3 JAM	3 JAM
4 CRC			

Both 18U. Categories were qualifiers for the 2016 Pan-American Junior Championships in Edmonton Canada.

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1B. Results from 2016, the CCCAN Water Polo Championships in Guatemala.

A total of 15 teams from six countries participated in four categories, two male and two female.

The final standings were:

	Category male 16 & U		Category female 16 & U		Category male Senior		Category Female Senior
1	TRI	1	PUR	1	CRC	1	TRI
2	PUR	2	TRI	2	PAN	2	GUA
3	GUA	3	GUA	3	TRI		
4	ESA			4	GUA		
5	CRC			5	ESA		

Both categories 16&U. were qualifiers for the 2017 Pan-American Youth Championships to be held in Lima, PER from June 30 – July 8, this year.

1C. 2017 CCCAN Championships in Port of Spain, TTO.

The 2017 CCCAN Championships was a huge success. Never before there was such a high attendance of National Federations and Teams. It was a big competition with a total of 21 teams from 11 countries participating in four categories, 15&U male, 18&U male and Senior male and female.

The purpose of playing the 15&U category, was preparation for 2018 CCCAN Qualification Tournament for the 2019 UANA Youth Championships.

In the 18&U category was a qualifier for the 2018 Pan-American Junior Championships and the Senior categories were a qualifiers for the 2018 CAC Games in Barranquilla, COL.

The final standings were: (see next page)

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Final standings 2017 CCCAN Water Polo Championships were:

	Category male 16 & U		Category Male 18 & U		Category male Senior		Category Female Senior
1	BAH	1	PUR	1	CUB	1	CUB
2	TTO	2	TTO	2	VEN	2	MEX
		3	JAM	3	MEX	3	VEN
		4	BAR	4	PUR	4	PUR
				5	TTO	5	TTO
				6	JAM		
				7	CRC		
				8	DOM		
				9	BAR		
				10	GUA		

1D. 2018 CCCAN Championships in San Salvador, ESA.

A total of 10 teams from seven countries participated in three categories, two male and one female category.

Final standings 2017 CCCAN Water Polo Championships were:

	Category male 16 & U		Category male Senior		Category Female Senior
1	PUR	1	CRC	1	CRC
2	BAH	2	PAN	2	GUA
3	CRC	3	ESA	3	ESA
4	TTO				

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1E. the 2018 CAC Games in Barranquilla, COL

After a very interesting competition between eight men's and six women's teams from 8 different countries, the following final ranking was reached:

	Category male Senior		Category Female Senior
1	COL	1	CUB
2	CUB	2	PUR
3	PUR	3	MEX
4	MEX	4	VEN
5	VEN	5	COL
6	TTO	6	TTO
7	JAM		
8	CRC		

The first three teams in both genders qualified for the 2019 Pan-American Games in Lima, PER.

2. Results from 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018 UANA and FINA events where CCCAN Countries participated

2A 2015 Pan-American Youth Championships in Kingston, JAM.

The following CCCAN countries participated:

Country	Result	Category
Jamaica	10 th place	Male
Mexico	3 rd place	Female
Mexico	7 th Place	Male
Puerto Rico	5 th Place	Female

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Puerto Rico	4 th Place	Male
Trinidad and Tobago	6 th Place	Female
Trinidad and Tobago	9 th Place	Male

2B 2015 FINA Junior World Championships

Country	result	Category
Mexico	12 th Place	Female
Mexico	12 th Place	Male

2C 2016 Pan-American Junior Championships in Edmonton, CAN.

The following CCCAN countries participated:

Country	result	Category
Puerto Rico	5 th place	Male
Trinidad&Tobago	7 th place	Male
Puerto Rico	4 th place	Female
Trinidad&Tobago	5 th place	Female

2D 2016 FINA Youth World Championships

Country	result	Category
Mexico	15 th Place	Female

2E 2017 UANA CUP in Port of Spain, TTO

Country	result	Category
Trinidad&Tobago	4 th Place	Male

This event was a Qualifier for the 2017 FINA World Championships in Budapest, HUN.

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2F 2017 FINA Junior World Championships

Country	result	Category
PUR	19 th Place	Male

2G 2018 UANA JUNIOR WATER POLO CHAMPIONSHIPS in Clearwater, USA.

Country	result	Category
PUR	5 th Place	Female
PUR	5 th Place	Male
BAR	8 th Place	Male

3. Water Polo development in our region

Besides the CCCAN competitions, a lot of countries participate in various tournaments in our area, including neighboring Florida and Colombia, also at Masters level.

FINA awarded a Clinic for water polo officials in our area in 2016 in Guatemala, and a FINA School for water polo referees in 2016 San Salvador.

Both, clinic and school, were lectured by Mr. Eugenio Martinez.

In 2018 FINA Awarded a Certification School for WP Referees. This School was held before the start of the CAC Games in Barranquilla, COL and conducted by the Chair and Secretary of the CCCAN TWPC, Mr. de Jesus and Mr. Keman

Although there's been an increase of 30% in the number of certified FINA Water Polo Referees in CCCAN between 2017 and 2019, this number remains a point of concern for the TWPC.

At this moment we have 17 certified FINA water polo referees from eight countries, which is a positive trend in comparison with 2017 when there were 13 certified referees from six countries.

We have to keep looking for options to organize FINA schools in our area so our referees will have an easier possibility to attend them. Traveling to California or South America is very costly and limits the options.

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This year in July there will be a first FINA Beach Water Polo Competition (Demonstration) during the first week of the FINA WCH in Gwangju, KOR.

The BWP Rules have been revised and there are great possibilities in our region to start developing this rather new discipline

Every year the English speaking islands organize under the name "CARIFTA Championships".

For the future the TWPC hopes that the CARIFTA Organization will synchronize their age groups with the CCCAN age groups, because of the fact that the CCCAN has no possibility to change them due to the qualification events for UANA and FINA Championships.

A change of the composition of a team, when a country decides to participate in both events the same year, will be more easy then.

Composition of the CCCAN TWPC

In 2015 the TWPC started with 5 persons, in 2017 2 persons had retired and for that reason the TWPC was reinforced by Manuel Meléndez (GUA). At this moment the TWPC consists of 4 persons. Besides the before mentioned Mr. Meléndez, Mr. Medina (CUB), Mr. de Jesus (PUR), Chairman and Mr. Keman (CUR), Secretary form the CCCAN-TWPC.

Summarizing this quadrennial report, the TWPC looks back on four years where there was a positive development in water polo with a peak in 2017 concerning participation of teams and countries.

The TWPC also realizes that participation increases due to the importance of the event (qualifier for CAC etc.) in combination with the location of the host country.

Reduction of costs seems to be a big factor in the decision to participate in a competition. The TWPC is aware of the fact that a lot of work still has to be done, mentioning the development of coaches and referees which is feasible by organizing (FINA) Clinics and Schools in our area.

Respectfully presented to the Congress,

on behalf of CCCAN TWPC 2015-2019,

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