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**FINA ANNOUNCES 2ND WORLD MEN'S WATER POLO
DEVELOPMENT TROPHY**

KUWAIT CITY, Kuwait, April 3. THE second edition of the FINA World Men's Water Polo Development Trophy 2009 will be held from April 5-11 in Kuwait City (KUW). National teams from the following 12 countries will compete in two groups:

GROUP A

Algeria (ALG)
Tunisia (TUN)
Guatemala (GUA)
Trinidad and Tobago (TRI)
Kuwait (KUW)
Indonesia (INA)

GROUP B

Kenya (KEN)
Morocco (MAR)
Jamaica (JAM)
Uruguay (URU)
Philippines (PHI)
Singapore (SIN)

Six games will be played per day at 09:00, 10:30, 12:00, 16:00, 17:30 and 19:00 (local time), except April 10 (rest day).

Held every two years, the Development Trophy is a tournament to engage water polo countries that are showing promise within their region but have not yet reached the World or Olympic competitive level. Created to foster the growth of water polo in all regions, the event provides an opportunity for federations to develop through a competitive experience that presents an encouraging and level playing field.

In 2007, the Trophy winners were Colombia, while Puerto Rico and Iran took silver and bronze respectively. The medalists prevailed over the following national teams (listed in the order of the final ranking of the 2007 edition): 4. Kuwait, 5. Saudi Arabia, 6. Uruguay, 7. Korea, 8. Chile, 9. Algeria, 10. Tunisia, 11. Morocco, and 12. Kenya. The inaugural edition also took place in Kuwait City (KUW).

The Jamaican Team arrived in Kuwait City on Friday, April 3rd and has had two good training session led by Coach Laszlo Borbely. Jamaica's first game is against Uruguay on April 5th starting at 4 PM (local time). Kuwait is eight (8) hours ahead of Jamaica.

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