PRESS RELEASE

Jamaican is ready for start of Swimming World Championships tomorrow.

The Jamaica Team has settled into the FINA Swimming World Championships and is ready for the competition which starts tomorrow, July 26 with Brad Hamilton being Jamaica's only entry. Hamilton will swim the 50 Metre Butterfly with a seed time of 25.90. There are 21 heats and Hamilton will swim in Lane 10 of Heat 11. With over 1,700 swimmers entered in the competition, the Rome World Championships is the largest ever.

At the FINA General Congress, FINA past a significant milestone when the Presidency changes hands for the first time in 21 years. Dr Julio Maglione (URU) was elected unopposed taking over from **Mustapha Larfaoui**. Maglione was able to ensure that a strong slate of supports was elected to the other Executive positions (see link http://www.fina.org/project/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=2537&Itemid=9)

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