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WORLD TEAM NAMES 31 CANADIANS TO ROSTER TO FACE TEAM USA IN SOUTH FLORIDA

Players from eight IFAF member countries and four continents will come together during NFL Pro Bowl week to take part in USA vs. World game at 12pm on Saturday, January 30

OTTAWA, CANADA – JANUARY 6, 2009 – Football Canada's High Performance Director Rick Sowieta is proud to announce 31 Canadians named to the World Team roster as well as three Canadian coaches. The team will face USA Football's junior national team, comprised of the top high school seniors, at Lockhart Stadium in Fort Lauderdale on Saturday, January 30. Team World is currently made up of 43 players from eight countries and four continents.

"We feel extremely proud to have 31 Canadian players and three experienced Canadian coaches representing Canada on the U20 World Team," said Sowieta. "This just solidifies our status as a football nation. Just as the 2009 Junior World Championship did, this event will give us the opportunity to showcase our young talent on the world stage."

The event will be comprised of the best U20 players outside the USA that are part of the International Federation of American Football (IFAF) 58 member countries. NFL Network will provide live coverage of the game at 12 Noon ET on January 3. It is designated an official Pro Bowl Week event by the NFL, at 12 noon ET on January 30. The game will follow AFC and NFC Pro Bowl practices, which conclude earlier that day. Admission to both events is free. For more information, please visit the event website: www.USAvWorld.com/2010 and at www.IFAF.org.

"The 2009 Junior World Championships proved that Football is a growing international sport," said Football Canada CEO Richard Munro. "The extensive coverage that Team USA vs. The World will receive allows us to further demonstrate the elite, competitive level of Football being played in Canada and around the globe. Football Canada is extremely proud of the 31 players and three outstanding Canadian coaches named to the team as well as Team World General Manager Rick Sowieta."

In addition to the 31 Canadians, the World team roster also includes players representing American Samoa (2), Australia (1), France (1), Germany (1), Japan (3), Mexico (1) and Sweden (3), who were selected from a provisional list of 100 players nominated by IFAF federations. They will practice nine times while in Fort Lauderdale from January 24-29.

The World squad includes 22 players who starred at the 2009 IFAF Junior World Championship (JWC) in Canton, Ohio, when Canada won the silver medal; Japan took bronze with a win over Mexico and Germany finished as the best-placed European competitor.

Canadian Junior team and Vanier College quarterback Jeremi Doyon-Roch, who completed 33 of 56 attempts for 423 yards and 4 touchdowns in three games as Canada's starter at the 2009 JWC, was named to the World Team.

“It is a great honor to be part of this elite team event which will showcase some of the best players in the world,” said Doyon-Roch. “It is a once in a lifetime experience that I will make good use of. It will be another great opportunity for me to measure myself against the American elite of my age and having played against Team USA in Canton, I know it should be a fast and high intensity game.”

Also returning to International play is Canadian Alex Anthony from Laurier University. Anthony scored both fourth quarter touchdowns as Canada beat Japan 38-35 in the thrilling IFAF JWC Semi Final. Anthony capped a 64-yard scoring drive, fending off five tackle attempts en route to the end zone after catching a 36-yard pass from Doyon-Roch.

“That was the greatest moment of my football career to date,” said Anthony. “I am very excited to play with players such as Jumpei, who was very fun to watch in Canton this past summer. Playing on the same side of the ball as Jumpei, and other teammates will give us a winning combination to compete to our fullest potential.”

Defensive coordinator Warren Craney will assume the same role he had on the Canadian team that won the silver medal at the 2009 IFAF JWC. The Chateauguay, Quebec, native has coached with the Concordia Stingers of the CIS (Canadian Interuniversity Sport) for eight seasons.

Running backs coach Marco Iadaluca is the offensive coordinator of College Andre-Grasset and led the St. Leonard Cougars of the Canadian Junior Football League to six conference titles and two national finals since 2000. He has been a member of the successful Canada junior national team for seven years.

Offensive line coach Greg Marshall is the head coach of the University of Western Ontario Mustangs and was a Grey Cup winning running back and head coach in the CFL. He led his team to the 2008 Mitchell Bowl and the 2008 Desjardins Vanier Cup.

World Team Roster – By Country

No.	Pos	Name	Last Name	Country	Ht.	Wt.	DoB	Team
31	LB	Beck	Coulter	Am Samoa	6-2	240	1991	Trinity (TX) Community
44	LB	Tavita	Katina	Am Samoa	6-2	235	12/23/1992	Marist High School
54	DL	Jesse	Williams	Australia	6-4	325	11/2/1990	Arizona Western
37	DB	Cameron	Wade	Canada	6-2	185	5/7/1991	Acadia University
24	RB	Guillame	Bourassa	Canada	5-11	185	7/1/1990	College Champlain
68	OL	Dillon	Guy	Canada	6-5	295	7/16/1991	College Champlain
77	OL	Danny	Groulx	Canada	6-6	335	3/27/1990	College Champlain
9	LB	Christian	Walcott	Canada	5-11	195	9/21/1990	Concordia University
85	WR	Jerit	Lambert	Canada	6-1	200	6/6/1991	Edmonton Wildcats
89	OL	Jacob	Ruby	Canada	6-8	285	12/31/91	Fort Union Military
87	WR	Alex	Anthony	Canada	6-2	195	4/9/1991	Laurier University
84	WR	Adam	Thibault	Canada	6-0	190	3/26/1990	Laval University
36	DB	Cody	Lynch	Canada	6-0	165	6/19/1990	McMaster University
78	OL	Matt	Sewell	Canada	6-8	340	1/26/1990	McMaster University
8	K	Tyler	Crapigna	Canada	5-7	150	8/4/1992	Ottawa Myers Riders
33	DB	Mike	Dubuisson	Canada	6-3	198	9/30/1991	Saint Léonard Cougars
21	DB	Dylan	Hollohan	Canada	5-10	183	3/16/1990	St Francis Xavier University
7	QB	Brandon	Bridge	Canada	6-3	210	3/21/1992	St. Marcellinus High School
3	RB	Steven	Lumbala	Canada	5-11	200	8/9/1991	University of Calgary
10	DB	Soonbum	Cha	Canada	5-11	180	10/16/1991	University of Ottawa
52	LB	Tyler	Sawyer	Canada	6-0	205	3/26/1990	University of Ottawa
34	RB	Jeff	Hassler	Canada	5-10	195	8/21/1991	University of Saskatchewan
75	OL	Ben	Heenan	Canada	6-4	305	1990	University of Saskatchewan

76	OL	Cam	Redl	Canada	6-7	295	5/16/1990	University of Saskatchewan
93	DL	Joel	Seutter	Canada	6-2	230	6/11/1991	University of Saskatchewan
4	LB	Jerod	McCrory	Canada	6-1	235	5/4/1990	University of Western
26	DB	Scott	Janz	Canada	6-2	185	5/15/1990	University of Western
42	LB	Marcus	Babic	Canada	6-4	217	11/22/1991	University of Western
95	DL	David	Lee	Canada	6-4	235	9/4/1990	University of Western
11	LB	Byron	Perez -Archambault	Canada	6-1	220	10/18/1990	Vanier College
12	QB	Jeremi	Doyon-Roch	Canada	6-3	190	8/4/1992	Vanier College
32	FB	James	Sifakis	Canada	6-1	235	7/30/1991	Vanier College
83	WR	Julian	Bailey	Canada	6-1	185	3/9/1990	Vanier College
45	DL	Mehdi	Abdesmad	Canada	6-6	250	9/28/1991	Vieux Montréal Spartiates
5	WR	Thomas	Ruiz	France	5-9	173	12/21/1990	Météores de Fontenay
49	DL	Bjoern	Werner	Germany	6-4	258	8/30/1990	Salisbury School (CT)
15	WR	Shoma	Endo	Japan	5-10	180	1/18/1992	Nihon University
22	DB	Yudai	Maruyama	Japan	5-11	165	1/6/1990	Nihon University
81	WR	Jumpei	Yoshimoto	Japan	5-9	165	12/10/1990	Ritsumeikan University
40	LB	Jiovanni	Carrillo	Mexico	6-1	203	1/10/1990	Aguilas Blancas IPN
74	OL	Sebastian	Johansson	Sweden	6-5	282	4/22/1991	Carlstad Crusaders
6	RB	Hampus	Hellermark	Sweden	6-1	200	8/19/1990	Lidingö Saints
94	DL	Elias	Groon	Sweden	6-3	315	8/2/1990	Stockholm Mean Machines

Coaching Staff: Head coach, Jan Jenmert (Sweden); Offensive Coordinator, Masato Itai (Japan); **Defensive Coordinator, Warren Craney (Canada)**; Special teams, Olivier Moret (France); **Offensive line, Greg Marshall (Canada)**; **Running backs, Marco Iadeluca (Canada)**; Tight ends, Peter Tos (Australia); Defensive line, Salomon Solano (Mexico); Defensive backs, Shinichi Takeda (Japan); Graduate assistants: Kris Kemp (Bahamas), Maciej Cetnerowski (Poland), B.J. Jensen (Finland), Marcel Meijerink (Netherlands), Mathias Torre (France), Jørgen Johansen (Norway); Strength & Conditioning, Niclas Carlson (Sweden); Team Manager Rick Sowieta (Canada).

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