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Canadian Deaf Women's Volleyball Development Team is ready for France Nine players will horne their skills during a regional European tournament

Montreal, April 30th, 2018 - The Canadian Deaf Sports Association (CDSA) is happy to send the Canadian Deaf women's volleyball development team to Montpellier, France from May 15th to 20th for a regional European tournament.

The team is formed of nine players from British Columbia, Alberta, Manitoba, Quebec, Ontario and Nova Scotia. Five of these players will be at their first participation in a tournament for Deaf and hard of hearing.

"I'm new to the team and I'm extremely excited to go to France, and represent Canada in this tournament! This has been my childhood dream and I always wanted to be on Team Canada. I'm looking forward to compete in France," said Greta Davey, who lives in Ontario.

The European tournament is organized by the Montpellier Deaf Sports Club, and will gather athletes from across Europe.

"The team is very excited to participate in this tournament in France. This opportunity will allow several new and young players to join a veteran core of players, and experience competition at an elite level," said the team manager Mary Dyck.

The tournament will strengthen the current <u>CDSA women's volleyball</u> program and encourage other Deaf and hard of hearing Canadians to pursue their athletic goals. The event also lines up with the CDSA Long Term Athlete Development Model as five new players are joining the development team.

About the CDSA: The CDSA is a non-profit organization dedicated to the development of high-performance Deaf and hard of hearing athletes. Through direct financial support, the CDSA helps athletes participate in international sport events sanctioned by the International Committee of Sports for the Deaf and the Pan American Sports Committee for the Deaf.