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22 PLAYERS SELECTED TO REPRESENT ONTARIO MEN'S UNDER-17 HOCKEY TEAM TO COMPETE AT THE 2010 WORLD HOCKEY CHALLENGE

TORONTO, ON – Team Ontario Director of Operations Robert Kitamura is pleased to announce the 22-man roster for Ontario's Under 17 Team that will compete in the 2010 World Under-17 Hockey Challenge being held in Timmins Ontario from December 29th, 2009 through January 4th, 2010.

“After evaluating these high performance athletes during the last 2 months, I am pleased and proud to announce this year’s men’s Under-17 Team that will represent Ontario at the upcoming 2009/2010 World Hockey Challenge being held in Timmins Ontario said Team Ontario Director of Operations Rob Kitamura. Selecting a team from the available talent pool in Ontario is always a difficult task; however, I believe that the coaching staff and I have selected the 22 best players that will represent Ontario with pride and class both on and off the ice at this high performance event. We are confident that this group of athletes are committed and prepared to compete for the Gold medal at the upcoming World Hockey Challenge, stated Kitamura.”

This international event features five regional teams competing from across Canada and five international teams from Finland, Sweden, Czech Republic, Russia and USA.

Team Ontario will play in a conference against Team Quebec, Team West, Finland and Sweden.

Team Ontario will begin their quest for Gold on December 28th with an exhibition game against Russia and will play their first game of the round-robin series against Team Finland on December 29th. The bronze and gold medal games will be played on January 4th.

The Hockey Development Centre for Ontario (HDCO) facilitates the Men’s Under-17 hockey program on behalf of the 3 Ontario Branches of Hockey Canada.

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Following is the Team Roster



TEAM ONTARIO ROSTER 2010 WORLD UNDER-17 HOCKEY CHALLENGE

#	Name <i>Nom</i>	P	S	HT	WT	Born <i>Né</i>	Hometown <i>Ville d'origine</i>	2009-10 Team <i>Équipe 2009-10</i>
1	Festarini, Chris	G	L/G	6'1"	170	06/03/93	Oakville, ON	Port Colborne Pirates (GOJHL)
30	Teichmann, Tyson	G	L/G	6	150	05/19/93	Belleville, ON	Belleville Bulls (OHL)
2	Ceci, Cody	D	R/D	6'2"	195	12/21/93	Orleans, ON	Ottawa 67's (OHL)
3	Crombeen, Curtis	D	L/D	5'10"	165	02/12/93	Sarnia, ON	Owen Sound Attack (OHL)
4	Murphy, Ryan	D	R/D	5'10"	160	03/31/93	Aurora, ON	Kitchener Rangers (OHL)
5	Sefton, Justin	D	R/D	6'3"	200	04/14/93	Thunder Bay, ON	Sudbury Wolves (OHL)
6	Hamilton, Dougie	D	R/D	6'3'	185	06/17/93	Toronto, ON	Niagara Icedogs (OHL)
7	Harrington, Scott	D	L/D	6	190	03/10/93	Kingston, ON	London Knights (OHL)
8	Percy, Stuart	D	L/D	6'1"	175	05/18/93	Oakville, ON	Mississauga Majors (OHL)
9	Sandlak, Carter	F	L	6'1"	190	05/18/93	London, ON	Guelph Storm (OHL)
10	Thomson, Ben	F	L	6'3"	185	01/16/93	Orangeville, ON	Kitchener Rangers (OHL)
11	Puempel, Matthew	F	L	6	185	01/24/93	Essex, ON	Peterborough Petes (OHL)
12	Catenacci, Daniel	F	L	5'10"	180	03/09/93	Richmond Hill, ON	Sault Ste. Marie Greyhounds (OHL)
14	Jenner, Boone	F	L	6'1"	190	06/15/93	Dorchester, ON	Oshawa Generals (OHL)
15	Quine, Alan	F	L	5'11"	175	02/25/93	Ottawa, ON	Kingston Frontenacs (OHL)
16	Meurs, Garrett	F	R	5'11"	170	01/12/93	Ripley, ON	Plymouth Whalers (OHL)
17	Mitchell, Zack	F	R	5'11"	160	01/07/93	Caledon, ON	Guelph Storm (OHL)
18	Goodrow, Barclay	F	L	6'2"	205	02/26/93	Aurora, ON	Brampton Battalion (OHL)
19	Broll, David	F	L	6'2"	215	01/04/93	Mississauga, ON	Erie Otters (OHL)
20	Strome, Ryan	F	R	5'11"	165	07/11/93	Mississauga, ON	Barrie Colts (OHL)
21	Ritchie, Brett	F	R	6'3"	190	07/01/93	Orangeville, ON	Sarnia Sting (OHL)
22	Lessio, Lucas	F	L	6'1"	180	01/23/93	Woodbridge, ON	St. Michaels (CCHL)

2009-10 'TEAM NAME' TEAM STAFF / PERSONNEL DE 'NOM DE L'ÉQUIPE' 2009-10

Title /Titre	First name Last name <i>Prénom/Nom de famille</i>	Hometown/ <i>Ville d'origine</i>	Team (League)/ <i>Équipe (Ligue)</i>
Director of Operations	Robert Kitamura	Hamilton, ON	OHL Central Scouting
Head Coach	Jake Grimes	Belleville, ON	Belleville Bulls (OHL)
Assistant Coach	Troy Smith	Kitchener, ON	Kitchener Rangers (OHL)
Assistant Coach	Jeff Reid	Owen Sound, ON	Owen Sound Attack (OHL)
Head Trainer	Dan Buckland	Sudbury, ON	Sudbury Wolves (OHL)
Equipment Manager	Doug Roberrtson	Sault Ste. Marie, ON	Team Ontario U17
Assistant Director	Victor Carneiro	Toronto, ON	London Knights (OHL)