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ONTARIO'S 2012 UNDER 17 WORLD HOCKEY CHALLENGE ROSTER ANNOUNCED

TORONTO, ON – Team Ontario Director of Operations Barclay Branch along with Head Coach Troy Smith, Assistant coaches Roger Hunt and Wayne Clark announced the 22 man roster today for Ontario's Under 17 Team that will compete at the upcoming 2012 World Hockey Challenge being held in Windsor Ontario from December 27, 2011 through January 4, 2012.

"It is always a challenge when you have to select a team from a group of athletes who are so committed to excellence within their sport. We know that there will always be disappointment for those players who are not selected at the end of the evaluation process. However, we as a staff believe that we have put together a group of athletes who will represent Ontario with pride and class both on and off the ice and are capable of winning the Gold medal at this year's World Hockey Challenge stated Director of Operations Barclay Branch."

"The quality and skill level of the players selected to represent Ontario at this year's event indicates that the minor hockey system in Ontario is not only producing high performance athletes but also quality citizens as well said head coach Troy Smith."

The team will depart for Windsor Ontario on December 27 where they will begin play in the World Hockey Challenge on December 29, 2011 thru January 4 2012. The tournament features 10 teams, 5 regional teams and 5 International teams in 2 conferences. The 2 top teams from each conference will advance to the semi-finals while the remaining 3 teams from each group will crossover for placement games. Team Ontario will play in a conference with Germany, Sweden, Team Pacific, and Team West.

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



2011-12 Team Ontario U-17

# No.	Name	P	S	HT	WT	Born	Hometown	2011-12 Team
1	Jordan Dekort	G	L	6'4	185	8-Aug-95	Markham, ON	Lasalle Vipers (GOJHL)
30	Spencer Martin	G	L	6'2	190	8-Jun-95	Oakville, ON	Mississauga St. Michaels Majors (OHL)
2	Darnell Nurse	D	L	6'4	180	4-Feb-95	Hamilton, ON	Soo Ste. Marie Greyhounds (OHL)
3	Chris Bigras	D	L	6'0	176	22-Feb-95	Elmvale, ON	Owen Sound Attack (OHL)
4	Jordan Subban	D	R	5'9	170	3-Mar-95	Rexdale, ON	Belleville Bulls (OHL)
5	Aaron Ekblad	D	R	6'3	207	7-Feb-96	Belle River, ON	Barrie Colts (OHL)
6	Trevor Murphy	D	L	5'10	156	17-Jul-95	Windsor, ON	Peterborough Petes (OHL)
7	Alex Yuill	D	L	5'8	160	27-May-95	Wellington, ON	Barrie Colts (OHL)
8	Adam Bateman	D	R	5'10	180	5-Jan-95	Caledon, ON	Windsor Spitfires (OHL)
9	Brandon Robinson	F	L	6'2	195	13-Oct-95	Pickering, ON	Brampton Battalion (OHL)
10	Stephen Harper	F	L	6'1	195	25-Mar-95	Burlington, ON	Erie Otters (OHL)
11	Bo Horvat	F	L	6'0	198	5-Apr-95	Rodney, ON	London Knights (OHL)
12	Hunter Garlent	F	R	5'8	142	4-Feb-95	Thorold, ON	Guelph Storm (OHL)
14	Nicholas Baptiste	F	R	6'2	190	4-Aug-95	Ottawa, ON	Sudbury Wolves (OHL)
15	Jordan Maletta	F	R	6'3	201	30-Apr-95	St. Catherines, ON	Windsor Spitfires (OHL)
16	Max Domi	F	L	5'10	184	2-Mar-95	Toronto, ON	London Knights (OHL)
17	Ryan Kujawinski	F	L	6'2	195	30-Mar-95	Iroquois Falls, ON	Sarnia Sting (OHL)
18	Brent Pedersen	F	L	6'1	197	5-Jul-95	Arthur, ON	Kitchener Rangers (OHL)
19	Cole Cassels	F	R	6'0	165	4-May-95	Columbus, OH	Oshawa Generals (OHL)
20	Nicholas Ritchie	F	L	6'2	207	5-Dec-95	Orangeville, ON	Peterborough Petes (OHL)
21	Stephen Nosad	F	R	5'11	173	25-Jan-95	Tottenham, ON	Peterborough Petes (OHL)
22	Mitchell Dempsey	F	L	6'3	210	27-Feb-95	Cambridge, ON	Plymouth Whalers (OHL)

Alternates:

Ken Appleby	G	L	6'5	190	10-Apr-95	North Bay, ON	Kirkland Lake Blue Devils (NOJHL)
Jared Gilbert	D	L	5'11	187	10-Jan-95	Mississauga, ON	Kitchener Rangers (OHL)
Mackenzie Lemmon	F	R	5'10	185	12-Jan-95	Aurora, ON	Belleville Bulls (OHL)

Team Personnel:

Director of Operations	Barclay Branch	Toronto, ON	Belleville Bulls (OHL)
Head Coach	Troy Smith	Hamilton, ON	Kitchener Rangers (OHL)
Assistant Coach	Roger Hunt	Dunnville, ON	Oshawa Generals (OHL)
Assistant Coach	Wayne Clark	Peterborough, ON	Peterborough Petes (OHL)
Head Trainer	Neil Hoch	Ottawa, ON	Ottawa 67's (OHL)
Equipment Manager	Matt Sands	Belleville, ON	Belleville Bulls (OHL)