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TEAM CANADA WINS WORLD HIGH SCHOOL DEBATING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Doha, Qatar – February 18, 2010 – Team Canada has won the World High School Debating Championships in Doha, Qatar. The Team beat Team England in a 8-3 decision at the Grand Final Today.

Canada went undefeated in the preliminary rounds, entering the octo-finals ranked 2nd in the tournament. In the octo-finals Team Canada beat Team Ireland in a 4-1 adjudicator decision. In the quarter-finals they beat New Zealand (last year's champions) in a 6-1 decision. In the semi-finals they beat Singapore 9-0.

Team Canada last won the World School Debating Championships in 1988; the first year the competition took place with six teams in Australia.

The World High School Debating Championships is the highest level of debate in the world. The 2010 Competition featured 57 teams including Israel, Palestine, India, and China.

The Canadian National Debating team was selected in March 2009 and has been training over email and Skype throughout the year. The team is selected from across the country, with members from British Columbia, Alberta, Manitoba, and Nova Scotia.

In September 2009 Team Canada was also victorious at the West Coast Worlds Championships in Scotland.

The Team is available for interview today, February 18, at 4:00 pm EST.

To arrange an interview with the team in Qatar, please contact:

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