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OpTic Gaming Prevails at the Call of Duty World (CWL) Global Pro League Stage 2 Playoffs Presented by PlayStation® 4

Field is Set for CWL Championship in August, Concludes this Season's \$4 Million Prize Pool, the Largest in Competitive Call of Duty History

SANTA MONICA, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- The highly suspenseful Call of Duty World League Global Pro League Stage 2 Playoffs, hosted by Major League Gaming Corp. (MLG), has come to a close with OpTic Gaming winning Sunday's Grand Final.

The eight best Call of Duty teams from around the world competed throughout the weekend, vying for their share of the \$500,000 event prize pool and the goal to position themselves heading into the 2017 CWL Championship.

"It's really crazy how we turned it around," OpTic Gaming star Seth "Scump" Abner said of his team's play during CWL Stage 2 following OpTic's disappointing placement at CWL Anaheim 2017. "We've been putting a ton of time in as a team and it's just great that it showed off. I'm proud of every single one of these guys. Every single one of them stepped up when they needed to." Scump's teammate, Matthew "Formal" Piper, was named CWL Stage 2 MVP following the CWL Stage 2 Playoff trophy presentation.

OpTic Gaming entered Sunday's Grand Final from the loser bracket, forcing the team to win two separate best-of-five matches against Team EnVyUs to be crowned CWL Stage 2 champions.

Here are the final rankings after the CWL Global Pro League Stage 2 Playoffs:

- 1 1st OpTic Gaming
- 1 3rd eUnited
- 4th Luminosity
- 5th/6th FaZe Clan
- 5th/6th Fnatic
- ₁ 7th/8th Enigma6
- 7th/8th Splyce
- 9th/12th Evil Geniuses
- 1 9th/12th Ghost Gaming
- 1 9th/12th Red Reserve
- 9th/12th Cloud9
- 13th/16th Mindfreak
- 13th/16th Elevate
- 13th/16th Rise Nation
- 13th/16th Epsilon Esports

The CWL continues to heat up as the season draws to a close, culminating with the 2017 CWL Championship in Orlando, FL., August 9-13. Placement at the CWL Global Pro League Stage 2 Playoffs help determine seeding for the upcoming 2017 CWL Championship. At the 2017 CWL Championship, 32 teams will compete for their share of a \$1.5 million prize pool, as part of the overall \$4 million prize pool for the 2017 CWL season - the largest in Call of Duty esports history. Final seeding for the 2017 CWL Championship has now been released, watch the Live Group Draw Show here.

On Thursday, eight teams qualified at the North American Last Chance Qualifiers (LCQ), including Echo Fox, Str8 Rippin and Rogue. These teams now move on to compete for the 2017 Call of Duty World League Championship in Orlando.

The eight qualifying teams from the North American Last Chance Qualifier are:

- ⊥ 3sUP
- Allegiance
- Echo Fox
- Lethal Gaming
- Projekt Evil
- □ Rogue
- Str8 Rippin
- Team Kaliber

The CWL Championship General Admission (GA), three-day tickets, are <u>now available online</u>, starting at \$53.99 (plus fees and taxes).

Activision and MLG (both part of Activision Blizzard, Inc.) join forces with PlayStation®4 to bring Call of Duty World League to a global audience, with the goal of providing fans the best esports experience at live events and broadcast on mlg.tv/callofdutv.

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