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**STORY HEADLINE:** IRAN, JAPAN, GEORGIA, AND MOLDOVA ALL WIN GOLD IN GRECO-ROMAN WRESTLING AT BUENOS AIRES 2018

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**STORY SCRIPT:**

Five gold medals were up for grabs in the Greco-Roman Wrestling session in the Asia Pavilion of the Youth Olympic Park at Buenos Aires 2018.

Amirreza Mohammadreza Dehbozorgi of Iran won gold in the 45kg category beating Ecuador’s Jeremy Peralta-Gonzalez. The 15-year-old Iranian was awarded victory by Technical Superiority - without any points scored by the opponent.

In the 51kg category, Wataru Sasaki took gold. Sasaki, who’s 17, beat Georgia’s Giorgi Tokhadze in their final. He was awarded the victory by Points - with points scored by the opponent.

Georgia’s Giorgi Chkhikvadze celebrated gold in the 60kg final. The seventeen year old beat Elmirbek Sadyrov of Kyrgyzstan, awarded victory be Technical Superiority - without any points scored by the opponent.

The 71kg category gold went to the Republic of Moldova’s Alexandrin Gutu, beating Stepan Starodubtsev of Russia. The official decision gave him Victory by Fall.

Finally, in the 92kg Men’s Greco-Roman Osman Ayadin of Turkey came up against Iran’s Mohammad Ghorbanali Nosrati. The victory went to 17-year-old Nosrati by Points - with points scored by the opponent.

In Greco-Roman Wrestling, wrestlers use only their arms and upper bodies to attack, and can only hold those same parts of their opponents. When the modern Olympic Games resumed in Athens in 1896, wrestling became a focus of the games. This was because organisers considered it historically significant, indeed, Greco-Roman wrestling was deemed a pure re-incarnation of ancient Greek and Roman wrestling.
In the discipline, it is strictly forbidden to grasp the opponents below the belt line, to trip him/her or to use the legs to perform any action. The objective is to hold the opponent down with their backs on the ground. This technique is called pin.

Buenos Aires 2018 is the third edition of the Summer Youth Olympic Games (YOG) to be held, bringing together the world’s best young athletes between the ages of 15 and 18. For the first time in Olympic history the Games will have gender equality, with equal numbers of males and females competing in the 32-sport programme.

Almost 4,000 athletes from 206 National Olympic Committees will be competing for 1,250 medals. The Youth Olympic Games Buenos Aires 2018 feature new sports and many new disciplines and events, reflecting the passions of the ‘Game Changers’, a new generation of athletes and fans.

The event offers a glimpse into the future of the Games as the new programme will introduce several innovations that will be replicated at the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020.

The first Summer Youth Olympic Games took place in Singapore in 2010. The second edition was held in the Chinese city of Nanjing in 2014.

SHOTLIST:

00:01 Action of Amirreza Mohammadreza Dehbozorgi in the Men’s 45kg Wrestling competition
00:06 Shots of Mohammadreza celebrating
00:17 Shots of Mohammadreza receiving his medal

00:21 SOUNDBITE Amirreza Mohammadreza Dehbozorgi Men’s 45kg category Champion (Farsi Language)

"من همه فکر و نکردم بعد از اینکه در مسابقات باختن طلایی المپیک بود و به آن دل بسته بودم، شیب هنگام خواب مال طلا را تصور میکردم که راهک دور عزیم به ارمغان بیاورد." When I got fifth place in the international competition, I was practicing the whole days and nights, in the heat and cold, and miles away from my family for months. Now I feel accomplished because I was able to win the Olympic gold medal and I have delighted the hearts of all my fellow-citizens and countrymen.

00:38 Shots of the podium of the Men’s 45kg Wrestling category with Amirreza Mohammadreza Dehbozorgi biting his gold medal

00:41 SOUNDBITE Amirreza Mohammadreza Dehbozorgi Men’s 45kg category Champion (Farsi Language)

"من همه فکر و نکردم بعد از اینکه در مسابقات باختن طلایی المپیک بود و به آن دل بسته بودم، شیب هنگام خواب مال طلا را تصور میکردم که راهک دور عزیم به ارمغان بیاورد." After losing in the tournament, the only thing I was thinking was getting the gold medal and I was very fond of it. at night, when I was sleeping, I thought of a gold medal to bring it to my beloved country.

00:57 Action from the Men’s 51kg Wrestling Final
01:06 The Champion is confirmed
01:14 Wataru Sasaki runs around the floor with his Japanese flag
01:21 Sasaki receives his Gold medal
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01:25 SOUNDBYTE Wataru Sasaki Men’s 51kg category Champion (Japanese Language)
"アジアカテゴでシャインなんですねけど、シャイン時もあげれて、世界大会であれなければかったんで、もっとでかい舞台であげれたので、すごく嬉しいです。"
I won the gold medal in the Asian Games, but I didn't make it in the world championship. I am very delighted that I have stepped onto a bigger stage.

01:39 Wide shot of the podium of the Men’s 51kg Wrestling competition

01:40 SOUNDBYTE Wataru Sasaki Men’s 51kg category Champion (Japanese Language)
"負けてて、7対0で負けてて、やっぱ技が失敗しても負けたし、後悔だけはしたくなかったんで、やっぱ最後、自分の努力で、おもっきり自分の得意というか、逆転されてから別の練習・稽古してきただんです。"
I was defeated. I lost the game 7-0 although I have used all my skills. But I will never regret it. Afterwards, I passionately dedicated all my efforts to training.

02:01 Action from the Men’s 71kg Wrestling Final and celebration from Giorgi Chkhikvadze

02:13 Chkhikvadze parades the floor with his flag

02:18 Chkhikvadze steps onto the podium to receive his Gold medal

02:21 SOUNDBYTE Giorgi Chkhikvadze Men’s 60kg category Champion (Georgian Language)
"უფრო ზრდამ ამ მოსპორტ 7 წლამ ჩანთავს ეს მედალს."
"Becoming an Olympic champion was my childhood dream and I’m very happy, of course. This is the greatest result for me and I’d like to thank all of my supporters.

02:35 Chkhikvadze receives his Gold Medal

02:42 SOUNDBYTE Giorgi Chkhikvadze Men’s 60kg category Champion (Georgian Language)
"ამაღლებს ამ მოსპორ, ეს მედალს 7 წლამ სრულ არქემზა და ამ ფაქტ კი ფარმატ არა მხოლოდ და ამაღლებს მეჩეთთან, რომ უფრო ცნობილი ყველა საერთაშორისო შოუ შეერთებს."
"Words fail me, this is a great success for me and I don’t know what to say. I'm extremely happy with this result and want to thank everyone - my family, my supporters.

02:57 Action of the Men's Greco-Roman 92kg Gold Medal Match

03:06 Iran's Mohammad Ghorbanali Nosrati celebrates his victory running with the Iranian flag

03:10 Mohammad Ghorbanali Nosrati celebrates wildly with his coach

03:22 Nosrati receives his gold medal on the podium

03:27 SOUNDBYTE Alexandrin Gutu Men’s 71kg category Champion (Moldovan Language)
"Eu am lucrat la sportul acesta 7 ani ca sa obtin aceasta medalie."
I have worked for 7 years in this sport so I could win this medal.

03:32 Shot of Alexandrin Gutu with the gold medal

03:36 SOUNDBYTE Alexandrin Gutu Men’s 71kg category Champion (Moldovan Language)
"Eu am fost cel mai fericit cand am auzit ca imnul meu canta."

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I was the happiest when I heard my national anthem singing.

03:41 Action form the Men’s 92kg Wrestling competition and celebration by winner Mohammad Ghorbanali Nosrati
04:01 Mohammad Ghorbanali Nosrati receives his Gold medal

04:08 SOUNDBITES Mohammad Ghorbanali Nosrati Men’s 92kg category Champion (Farsi Language)
"ما زندیک ۷:۶ ماه است که در اردو هستیم بعد از جهانی که تمام شد. ۲۰۲۲ ماه است که در اردو هستیم و برای المپیک آماده میشیم. تمرینات زیادی کرده بودیم و خدا را شکر که توامتم به‌ینیه را بگویم."

We are here in this camp nearly 6 to 7 months. After the world competitions it is about 2-3 months that we are here in the camp and getting prepared for the Olympics. We had a lot of training and thank God we were able to make the best result.

04:23 Detail shot of the flags being raised

04:31 SOUNDBITES Mohammad Ghorbanali Nosrati Men’s 92kg category Champion (Farsi Language)
"حريف تركيي ايا ام قهرمان جهان بود، حريف روسي ام هم قبل از فينال شکستن دادم و پرافته قهرمان شده بود، قهرمان اوروبا بود.
همين حريف تركيي ايا كه در فينال شکستن دادم و من اول و او سوم، مقام دوم دوم اروپا را هم داشت. انها كشته گيري هاي خوبی بودند و مسابقه هم مطح با یا بود.
"The Turkish opponent was the champion of the world and I had defeated the Russian opponent before the final. He was the world champion last year. He was also the champion of Europe. The fellow Turkish opponent, who I had defeated him in the final. I got the first place while he got the third. Also he had the second place in Europe. They were very good wrestlers and the match was in a high level.

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