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STORY HEADLINE: GOLD FOR ARGENTINA, SLOVAKIA AND JAPAN ON FINAL DAY OF TENNIS AT YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES BUENOS AIRES 2018

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STORY SCRIPT:

The final day of competition in the tennis tournament at Buenos Aires 2018 began with Slovakia's Kaja Juvan claiming Gold in the Women's Individual Tennis final.

Juvan, who is 17, beat her French opponent, Clara Burel, in two straight sets, 7-5, 6-4 on Court One of the Buenos Aires Lawn Tennis Club. The bronze medal went to Colombia's Maria Osario-Serrano. Juvan added the Singles gold to the Doubles gold she won on Saturday.

Argentinian fans then had their chance to celebrate Gold at their country's home of tennis. Argentina's Men's Doubles pair of Sebastian Baez and Facundo Diaz-Acosta beat a mixed international pairing of Adrian Andreev from Bulgaria, and Rinky Hijikata of Australia. They won in straight sets 6-4, 6-4. It was Diaz Acosta's second gold of the Games after winning the Singles title on Saturday. Bronze in the Men’s Doubles went to the French pair of Hugo Gaston, the men’s singles gold medallist, and Clement Tabur.

In the Mixed Doubles Final the Japanese couple of Yuki Naito and Naoki Tajima met the Colombians Maria Osorio-Serrano, and Nicolas Mejia. Naito, who's 17 and 18 years old Tajima won won in straight sets, 6-2, 6-3 to bring more gold success to Japan.

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:
00:04 Wide shot of the Women’s Singles match
00:11 Close up of winner Kaja Juvan in pain after falling over on the court and standing up to continue
00:25 Wide shot of the winning point
00:31 Close up of Kaja Juvan’s celebration after it is confirmed she is Youth Olympic Champion
00:40 Kaja Juvan is congratulated by her coach
00:51 Close up of Slovenian fans in the crowd
00:54 Juvan receives her Gold medal for the Women’s Singles match at Youth Olympic Games Buenos Aires 2018
1:00 Close Up of Juvan celebrating with the crowd on the podium

01:00 SOUNDBITE: Kaja Juvan, Women’s Tennis Single’s Champion (Slovakian Language)
"Tekma je bila zelo težka. Že od včerašnjega dne me je bolela noga, kljub temu pa sem šla v tekmo na zmago. Na žalost sem si proti koncu dvoboja rahlo zvila gleženj, zato je občutek nekoliko sladko-kisel. Ko sem izgubljala, sem si v mislih nenehno ponavljala, da moram igrati na vsako točko. Tudi nasprotnica je delala napake, zato se je vse skupaj zame srečno končalo."

The game was very difficult. From yesterday on, my leg hurt, but I wanted to win today’s match nevertheless. Unfortunately, I slightly twisted my ankle towards the end of the match, so the feeling is slightly sour. When I was losing, I kept reminding myself in my mind that I have to play for each point. My opponent also made mistakes, so everything ended up happily for me.

01:38 Close up of The Women’s Singles medalists.
01:43 Various shots of the Men’s Doubles Final
01:51 The winning point
01:56 Close up of Sebastian Baez and Facundo Diaz-Acosta celebrating together
02:07 Close up of the crowd celebrating the win
02:10 More celebration shots of Sebastian Baez and Facundo Diaz-Acosta
02:14 Sebastian Baez and Facundo Diaz-Acosta step up to receive their Gold Medals
02:17 Sebastian Baez and Facundo Diaz-Acosta receive their Gold medals

02:28 SOUNDBITE, Sebastian Baez and Facundo Diaz-Acosta, Men’s Tennis Doubles Champions. (Spanish Language)
"La verdad es que no hay palabras para describir este momento. La verdad que fue algo único y muchas veces no se va a pasar, porque estas cosas no pasan todos los días. Y creo que lo disfrutamos a lo máximo.

Si la verdad es que no tenemos palabras para este momento que vivimos, con toda la gente viniendo y todos cantamos el himno (nacional) nos emociono muchísimo."
Honestly, there are no words to describe this moment. The truth is that it was something unique that may not happen that often, because these things don’t happen every day, and I think we have enjoyed to the fullest. We don’t have words to describe the moment that we are living, with all those people that came to support us, and singing the [national] anthem all together was something very emotional.

02:53 The medalists have their picture taken on the podium
03:03 Action from the Mixed pairs Final
03:09 Yuki Naito and Naoki Tajima celebrate their Youth Olympic win
03:13 Yuki Naito and Naoki Tajima thank their Silver medal competitors and the judges
03:22 Yuki Naito and Naoki Tajima receive their Gold medals

03:36 SOUNDBITE, Yuki Naito and Naoki Tajima, Youth Olympic Mixed Double’s Tennis Champions (English Language)
"It is so much feeling, we have never heard before the national anthem so we are so happy” “Yeah, I don’t know what I have to say but I am feeling very good.”

03:57 Close up of the Champions on the podium with their Gold medals.
04:03 Wide shot of the podium for the Mixed Doubles Tennis Final

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