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## US women's volleyball team to be trained by Lang Ping

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WASHINGTON, April 15 (Xinhuanet) -- The USA Women's National Team program, which will be coached by Chinese Lang Ping will open a training in Colorado Springs, Colo., next month with 33 players participation, USA Volleyball announced in a news release on Friday.

However, the beginning of the training camp hasnot a certain date yet because Lang Ping, the former Chinese player and women's team coach, is working in Italy and will not be arrive until the second week in May.

"We still don't have a certain date of her arrival," Brent Buzbee, manager of communications and technology of USA Volleyball, told Xinhua through E-Mail. "Her team is still playing the playoffs and our best guess is for the scnd week in May."

The team includes seven Olympians in Athens: setter Robyn Ah Mow-Santos, middle blocker Elisabeth Bachman, setter Lindsey Berg, opposite Tayyiba Haneef, opposite Nancy Metcalf, outside hitter Ogonna Nnamani, who was named the MVP of last year's NCAA Tournament after guiding Stanford to the national championship, and middle blocker Danielle Scott, according to a news release from Colorado Springs, Colo. on Friday.

Nnamani, the 2004 AVCA Women's Division I Co-National Player of the Year, was named the MVP of last year's NCAA Tournament after guiding Stanford to the national championship.

The beginning of the summer figures to be especially busy for the athletes. Team USA will enter a pair of teams in the women's open divisionof the USA Open Volleyball Championships in Denverfrom May 28-June 4. The teams competing at the Open will be comprised of collegiate players.

The women will also have teams competing at theMontreux Volley Masters in Switzerland, the Pan American Cup in the Dominican Republic and the month-long World Grand Prix in Asia.

The final rosters for the various events will be determined based on the athlete's training performance. Enditem

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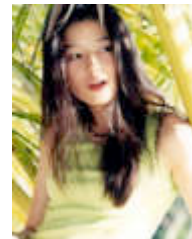


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