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GABRIEL DIALLO WITHDRAWS FROM DAVIS CUP QUALIFIERS 2ND ROUND IN QUEBEC CITY; KEEGAN RICE ADDED TO ROSTER

Team Canada will take on France on September 18-19 at Centre Vidéotron in Quebec City

[QUEBEC CITY, QC] September 14, 2026 – Tennis Canada today confirmed that Gabriel Diallo (Montreal, QC) will miss the upcoming Davis Cup Qualifiers 2nd Round tie between Team Canada presented by IGA and France in Quebec City as he continues to recover from a leg injury sustained at the National Bank Open presented by Rogers in August.

Keegan Rice (Regina, SK) has been added to the roster and will join Félix Auger-Aliassime (Montreal, QC), Liam Draxl (Newmarket, ON), and Duncan Chan (Markham, ON).

"I'm of course disappointed and sad that I won't be able to compete with the team in Quebec City," said Diallo. "The Davis Cup means so much to me, and it's one of the events I look forward to most each year. While I continue to rehab my leg injury, I do plan to make my way to Quebec City to cheer on the team. I hope the fans will be ready to support us as loudly as possible and help us get back to the Finals."

France has also made a roster change, with Arthur Fils withdrawing earlier this month. Luca Van Assche and Benjamin Bonzi have been added, joining Arthur Rinderknech, Quentin Halys and Pierre-Hugues Herbert.

Action begins on Friday, September 18 at 5 p.m. ET, and concludes on Saturday, September 19 at 2 p.m.

MEDIA NOTES

Keegan Rice

- Rice's season highlights include a final appearance at the M25 Laval and a semi-final appearance at the Odlum Brown VanOpen (ATP Challenger).
- He also won the NCAA National Championship with the University of Virginia.
- The 20-year-old made his ATP 1000 debut in Montreal in August, competing in qualifying.
- This is his first Davis Cup team nomination.

Canada vs. France

- Canada (No. 12) advanced to the Qualifiers 2nd Round following a 3-2 victory over Brazil in February at UBC's Doug Mitchell Thunderbird Sports Centre in Vancouver.
- France (No. 6) qualified by defeating Slovakia 3-1 in the Qualifiers 1st Round.
- France leads the head-to-head with Canada 3-0.
- The Canadian team was crowned world champions in 2022, defeating Australia 2-0 in the final.
- France last won the Davis Cup in 2017, claiming its 10th world title.
- This week's winner will advance to the 2026 Davis Cup Final 8 in November, while the losing nation will compete in the 2027 Davis Cup Qualifiers 1st Round.



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