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Kofi Cockburn Added to World Team for 2018 Nike Hoop Summit

PORTLAND, Ore. (April 10, 2018) – The World Team today announced the addition of **Kofi Cockburn**, a 6-foot-10 center from Jamaica, who will begin practicing on Wednesday, April 11. He will replace **Daniel Oturu** (Nigeria) who previously was announced but is unable to play due to injury.

Cockburn, who spent the past season prepping at Christ the King High School in New York, has received interest from a number of NCAA teams across the country but has yet to make a decision on where he will play at the collegiate level. Set to graduate in 2019, Cockburn is ranked No. 39 on the ESPN 2019 60.

The 21st annual Nike Hoop Summit will take place at 7 p.m. (PDT) on Friday, April 13, at the Moda Center in Portland, Oregon. The annual basketball game pits the best U.S. high school senior boys against top international players from around the world who are 19 years old or younger in a one-game showdown.

Tickets for the 2018 Nike Hoop Summit are on sale now. Lower bowl seating starts at just \$10 and courtside seats are \$50 and \$75. Applicable service charges apply. Tickets are available through Ticketmaster, the Rose Quarter Box Office or by calling 800-745-3000.

The World Team roster is rounded out by: **R.J. Barrett** (Canada), **Charles Bassey** (Nigeria), **Leandro Bolmaro** (Argentina), **Ignas Brazdeikis** (Canada), **N’Faly Dante** (Mali), **Yago Dos Santos** (Brazil), **Josh Green** (Australia), **Jaylen Hoard** (France), **Andrew Nembhard** (Canada), **Bathiste Tchouaffe** (France) and **Kevin Zhang** (China).

The USA Junior National Select Team for the event includes: **Darius Bazley** (Princeton H.S./Cincinnati, Ohio); **Bol Bol** (Findlay College Prep, Nev./Olathe, Kan.); **Jordan Brown** (Prolific Prep/Roseville, Calif.); **Darius Garland** (Brentwood Academy/Brentwood, Tenn.); **Quentin Grimes** (College Park H.S./The Woodlands, Texas); **Tyler Herro** (Whitnall H.S./Greenfield, Wis.); **Keldon Johnson** (Oak Hill Academy/Sterling, Va.); **Tre Jones** (Apple Valley H.S./Apple Valley, Minn.); **Romeo Langford** (New Albany H.S./New Albany, Ind.); **David McCormack** (Oak Hill Academy/Norfolk, Va.); **Cameron Reddish** (Westtown School/Norristown, Pa.); and **Zion Williamson** (Spartanburg Day School/Spartanburg, S.C.). Additionally, **Louis King** (Hudson Catholic H.S./Columbus, N.J.) will attend the 2018 Nike Hoop Summit as a member of the U.S. team but is unable to participate due to injury.

USA Basketball teams, winners of the past two Nike Hoop Summits, have compiled a 14-6 overall advantage all-time in the Nike Hoop Summit.

An incredible 203 former members of the USA or World Select Team have been drafted by NBA teams, including 13 players in the 2017 NBA Draft. And, as of Dec. 12, 2017, a remarkable 72 former U.S. players and 33 former World team members were active in the NBA. Additionally, 36 former Hoop Summit players are currently competing on the collegiate level, including 23 U.S. players and 13 World Team athletes.

About USA Basketball

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The USA Basketball Youth Development division is tasked with the development of youth basketball initiatives that address player development, coach education and safety, while promoting, growing, and elevating the game. USA Basketball is committed to providing youth throughout the country safe, fun and developmentally appropriate environments in which they can enjoy the game. Current USA Basketball youth initiatives include coach licensing and education; organization accreditation; coach academies; regional camps; youth clinics; open court programs; Women in the Game conferences; and the U.S. Open Basketball Championships.

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