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World's Elite High School Basketball Talent Coming to Portland Area for 2008 Nike Global Challenge

Teams include Serbia, Lithuania, Senegal, Puerto Rico, Canada and the United States

Beaverton, Oregon (July 22, 2008) – For the second consecutive year, the world's best basketball players will travel to the Northwest to compete in the Nike Global Challenge, this year held at Liberty High School in Hillsboro, OR from August 8-10. The tournament will feature International teams such as Euroleague junior tournament champion FMP-Serbia and the SEEDs Academy from Senegal. Lithuania, Puerto Rico and Canada, as well as three teams made up of the top players from the United States, will round out the field.

This year's U.S. participants includes **Harrison Barnes** (Ames/Ames, IA), **Avery Bradley** (Bellarmine Prep/Tacoma, WA), **Reggie Bullock** (Kinston/Kinston, NC), **Demarcus Cousins** (Le Flore/Mobile, AL), **Aaron Dotson** (Rainier Beach/Seattle, WA), **Roger Franklin** (Duncanville/Duncanville, TX), **Abdul Gaddy** (Bellarmine Prep/Tacoma, WA), **Michael Gilchrist** (St. Patrick/Elizabeth, NJ), **Jordan Hamilton** (Dominguez/Compton, CA), **Xavier Henry** (Putnam City/Oklahoma City, OK), **John Henson** (Round Rock/Round Rock, TX), **Milton Jennings** (Pinewood Prep/Summerville, SC), **Terrence Jones** (Jefferson/Portland, OR), **Wally Judge, Jr.** (Arlington Country Day/Jacksonville, FL), **Kendall Marshall** (Bishop O'Connell/Arlington, VA), **Tommy Mason-Griffin** (Oak Hill Academy/Mouth of Wilson, VA), **Mike Moser** (Grant/Portland, OR), **Alex Oriakhi** (Tilton School/Tilton, NH), **Daniel Orton** (Bishop McGuinness/Oklahoma City, OK), **Mason Plumlee** (Christ School/Arden, NC), **Phil Pressey** (Episcopal School of Dallas/Dallas, TX), **Jereme Richmond** (Waukegan/Waukegan, IL), **Roscoe Smith** (Walbrook/Baltimore, MD), **Dontae Taylor** (National Christian/Ft. Washington, MD), **DeShaun Thomas** (Bishop Luers/Ft. Wayne, IN), **Dion Waiters** (South Kent Prep/South Kent, CT), **John Wall** (Word of God Christian/Raleigh, NC), **Royce White** (De La Salle/Minneapolis, MN), **Rodney Williams, Jr.** (Robbinsdale Cooper/New Hope, MN) and **Jamil Wilson** (Horlick High School/Racine, WI).

Last year's U.S. squads were filled with talent including heralded incoming NCAA freshmen **Tyreke Evans** (Memphis), **Demar DeRozan** (USC), **Samardo Samuels** (Louisville), **Drew Gordon** (UCLA) and **Greg Monroe** (Georgetown).

The Nike Global Challenge is the culmination of the summer season. The players were chosen based on their performance at the LeBron James Skills Academy (July 5-9, Akron, OH) and the preceding positional skills academies with NBA stars Steve Nash, Paul Pierce, Vince Carter and Amaré Stoudemire.

In addition to the games, Nike will hold a series of open run games as part of the Nike Ballers Network on Saturday, August 9th and a basketball training session with SPARQ's Chris Thomas on Sunday, August 10th – both at Liberty High School for basketball players.

For more information on the event and to purchase tickets, please visit the official web site at www.NikeGlobalChallenge.com. **[U.S. PARTICIPANT ROSTER ATTACHED]**

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2008 United States Participants

Name	Hgt.	Wgt.	Class	High School/Town
Harrison Barnes	6-5	196	2010	Ames/Ames, IA
Avery Bradley	6-3	175	2009	Bellarmine Prep/Tacoma, WA
Reggie Bullock	6-6	183	2010	Kinston/Kinston, NC
Demarcus Cousins	6-10 ½	269	2009	Le Flore/Mobile, AL
Aaron Dotson	6-3	194	2009	Rainier Beach/Seattle, WA
Roger Franklin	6-3 ½	203	2009	Duncanville/Duncanville, TX
Abdul Gaddy	6-3	174	2009	Bellarmine Prep/Tacoma, WA
Michael Gilchrist	6-5 ½	199	2011	St. Patrick/Elizabeth, NJ
Jordan Hamilton	6-7	219	2009	Dominguez/Compton, CA
Xavier Henry	6-6	214	2009	Putnam City/Oklahoma City, OK
John Henson	6-9	183	2009	Round Rock/Round Rock, TX
Milton Jennings	6-9	205	2009	Pinewood Prep/Summerville, SC
Terrence Jones	6-6	200	2010	Jefferson/Portland, OR
Wally Judge, Jr.	6-9	218	2009	Arlington Country Day/Jacksonville, FL
Kendall Marshall	6-3 ½	170	2010	Bishop O'Connell/Arlington, VA
Tommy Mason-Griffin	5-10	206	2009	James Madison/Houston, TX
Mike Moser	6-6 ½	179	2009	Grant/Portland, OR
Alex Oriakhi	6-9	224	2009	Tilton School/Tilton, NH
Daniel Orton	6-8 ½	258	2009	Bishop McGuinness/Oklahoma City, OK
Mason Plumlee	6-11	210	2009	Christ School/Arden, NC
Phil Pressey	5-10	160	2010	Episcopal School of Dallas/Dallas, TX
Jereme Richmond	6-7	191	2010	Waukegan/Waukegan, IL
Roscoe Smith	6-7 ½	179	2010	Walbrook/Baltimore, MD
Dontae Taylor	6-8	214	2009	National Christian/Ft. Washington, MD
DeShaun Thomas	6-6	208	2010	Bishop Luers/Ft. Wayne, IN
Dion Waiters	6-2 ½	214	2010	South Kent Prep/South Kent, CT
John Wall	6-3	188	2009	Word of God Christian/Raleigh, NC
Royce White	6-7	213	2009	De La Salle/Minneapolis, MN
Rodney Williams, Jr.	6-5	180	2009	Robbinsdale Cooper/New Hope, MN
Jamil Wilson	6-5	203	2009	Horlick High School/Racine, WI

**Players will be split into teams at a later date and posted on www.NikeGlobalChallenge.com.