SESSION NOTES

FRIDAY AFTERNOON FOURSOMES

EUROPE 5 – UNITED STATES 3

DAY ONE KEY STATISTICS

- This was the first time that Europe have won all four points in a foursomes session
- This was Europe's biggest ever total win (in holes) in a single session. Today, Europe won by 17 – previous record 15 in Saturday Afternoon Foursomes in 1985
- The last time Europe won all four points in one session was in 1989, at The Belfry
- In 1989, Europe trailed the Americans 3-1 after the first session too – and finished the day 5-3 ahead
- During the last seven foursomes sessions in European Ryder Cups (2006, 2010, 2014, 2018), the Europeans have won 20.5 points – the United States have won 7.5 points

MATCH ONE – 13:50

HENRIK STENSON	VS	DUSTIN JOHNSON
JUSTIN ROSE 3&2		RICKIE FOWLER

- Following today's result, Henrik Stenson and Justin Rose have a Ryder Cup record of 5-2-0, with a 2-1-0 foursomes record
- Stenson now has a foursomes record of 3-3-1, while Rose foursome's record is now 5-3-1
- Johnson now has a foursomes record of 1-2-0, while Fowler has a record of 1-3-2

MATCH TWO – 14:05

RORY MCILROY	VS	BUBBA WATSON
IAN POULTER 4&2		WEBB SIMPSON

- Today was the third time that McIlroy and Poulter have played together in a Ryder Cup. The pair are unbeaten and have a record of 2-0-1
- Following today's result, McIlroy has a foursomes record of 5-3-1, Poulter has a record of 5-1-0
- After today Watson and Simpson will have played five matches together in a Ryder Cup. They have a record of 2-3-0. The pair have now lost both the foursome matches they have played together.
- Watson's foursomes record is now 0-4-0, while Simpson's is 0-3-0
- Watson has now lost to Poulter three times in foursomes, while Simpson has a record of three defeats, and a half, against the Englishman in Ryder Cup matches.

MATCH THREE – 14:20

SERGIO GARCIA	VS	PHIL MICKELSON
ALEX NOREN 5&4		BRYSON DECHAMBEAU

- With his victory today Sergio Garcia overtakes Seve Ballesteros as the most successful Spaniard in Ryder Cup history with 23.5 points
- Garcia also joins Colin Montgomerie on 23.5 points – joint third in the European standings. He's now one behind Langer and two behind Faldo
- Now has more Ryder Cup points than Arnold Palmer (23), and is equal to Bill Gaspar – the highest-ranked American
- Garcia also moves to joint third in the list of most matches Ryder Cup matches won by a European player, alongside Ballesteros, Colin Montgomerie and Lee Westwood
- With victory today Garcia joins Bernhard Langer as the most successful foursomes player in Ryder Cup history (11.5 points)
- Also now joint second in the list of most foursomes matches won by any player in a Ryder Cup. He has now won ten matches alongside Ballesteros and Sir Nick Faldo – one match less than Langer
- Garcia now has a foursomes record of 10-3-3, with a 3-2-0 record against Mickelson in this discipline
- In nine Ryder Cup meetings Garcia has now beaten Mickelson five times, lost three times, and the pair have halved the other match.
- Mickelson now has a record of 5-8-4 in foursomes – with an overall record of 18-21-7
- DeChambeau's appearance means that all three of America's Rookies have featured in pairs matches at this Ryder Cup

MATCH FOUR – 14:35

FRANCESCO MOLINARI	VS	JUSTIN THOMAS
TOMMY FLEETWOOD 5&4		JORDAN SPIETH

- With his two wins today Tommy Fleetwood becomes the first European rookie to win their two opening matches in a Ryder Cup since Sergio Garcia in 1999
- Today Fleetwood became just the third European rookie to win two matches on the opening day of a Ryder Cup. The other two are Garcia (1999) and José María Olazábal (1987)
- Francesco Molinari and Tommy Fleetwood won two matches today – the pair also defeated Patrick Reed and Tiger Woods 3&1 in fourballs this morning
- Molinari won his first point in a foursomes match today, and now has a record of 1-2-0 in the discipline
- Today Spieth lost his first foursomes match in a Ryder Cup – and now has a foursomes record of 1-1-2