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Hilton Worldwide and Adecco to Provide U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Athletes with Careers Beyond the Games

U.S. Olympic Committee Announces Team USA Career Program

VANCOUVER, BC, Canada - As U.S. Olympic and Paralympic athletes gear up for unparalleled competition in Vancouver and Olympic and Paralympic hopefuls train for the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games in London and beyond, Hilton Worldwide and Adecco Group North America, prepare to train athletes for the work force. The organizations announced their support of the U.S. Olympic Committee's (USOC) new Team USA Career Program. The program, which was developed in partnership with Adecco Group North America and Hilton Worldwide and is open to additional USOC sponsors, will provide athletes with career training and job placement assistance. The program is intended to provide athletes with secure jobs in their desired training destinations. The athletes will receive salary and health benefits, allowing them the ability to pursue their Olympic dreams and provides participating sponsors with a turn key system that allows them to hire athletes easily.

"We are excited by the opportunities presented through this partnership and look forward to working with Hilton Worldwide and Adecco Group North America in making the athletes' transition from competitive life as smooth as possible," said USOC CEO **Scott Blackmun**. "We're also pleased that our Olympic family partners will have the opportunity to contribute jobs to this program as well."

With more than 3,150 hotels and 30 corporate or regional offices in the United States, Hilton Worldwide will provide America's Olympians, Paralympians and Olympic hopefuls with the opportunity to work at locations throughout the continental United States. Available positions range from front desk, bell desk and concierge positions to kitchen staff, marketing, accounting and other corporate and on-property positions. With Hilton Worldwide's extensive hotel portfolio, athletes can secure jobs without leaving their desired training destination.

"We are proud to extend our partnership with the USOC through the new Team USA Career Program," said **Jeff Diskin**, Senior Vice President, Global Customer Marketing, Hilton Worldwide. "Through the program we will support some of our country's best athletes in their aspirations to win Olympic Gold and provide them with the skills to be successful in their post-competitive careers."

Since partnering with the USOC in July 2005, Adecco Group North America -part of the world's leading provider of recruitment and workforce solutions-has served more than 1,600 U.S. Olympic Movement participants including Olympians, Paralympians, coaches and elite athletes. Adecco services include tailored athlete summits and career coaching focused on helping members of the Olympic family make a smooth transition from the field of play to the workplace. Additionally, job placement services are provided, which include expert resume development, interview coaching, career seminars, job research and placement.

"At Adecco we recognize the extreme hard work, talent and dedication that our U.S. Olympic and Paralympic athletes apply to being successful at their sport while positively representing America on the international playing field," said **Joyce Russell**, EVP & President, Adecco Staffing US. "We are honored to provide these exceptional athletes with our world-class career

transition and job placement services and are so excited to be partnering with Hilton Worldwide to provide the Olympic family with outstanding career opportunities."

"As an athlete who has directly benefitted from the USOC employment program, it's nice to see USOC sponsors such as Adecco Group North America and Hilton Worldwide ensuring that athletes are prepared for life beyond their athletic careers," said **Mike Plant**, U.S. Olympian and Chef de Mission for the U.S Olympic Team for the 2010 Olympic Winter Games in Vancouver.

"This program provides sponsors with the ability to directly impact Olympians, Paralympians and hopefuls 365 days a year."

Hilton Worldwide has a long-standing relationship with the U.S. Olympic Committee that began in 1988. This year Hilton Worldwide continues the tradition and presents the Hilton HHonors Concierge Suite at USA House in Vancouver, Canada from February 12-28, 2010. The lounge will provide visitors from all over the world with the ultimate hospitality experience, including access to locally-trained concierges with answers to questions on everything from the Olympic Winter Games to sightseeing opportunities, dining options and other local points of interest.

In addition, Hilton Worldwide provided hospitality training for U.S. Olympic Committee staff in preparation for the Games and was presenting sponsor of *Making Team USA*, the kick off celebration for the 100-day countdown to the Opening Ceremony of the 2010 Olympic Winter Games in New York's Rockefeller Center last November.

About Hilton Worldwide

Hilton Worldwide is the leading global hospitality company, spanning the lodging sector from luxurious full-service hotels and resorts to extended-stay suites and mid-priced hotels. For more than 90 years, Hilton Worldwide has been offering business and leisure travelers the finest in accommodations, service, amenities and value. The company is dedicated to continuing its tradition of providing exceptional guest experiences across its global brands. Our brands are comprised of more than 3,500 hotels in 81 countries and include Waldorf Astoria Hotels & Resorts, Conrad Hotels & Resorts, Hilton, Doubletree, Embassy Suites Hotels, Hilton Garden Inn, Hampton Inn & Suites, Homewood Suites by Hilton, Home2 Suites by Hilton and Hilton Grand Vacations. The company also manages the world-class guest reward program Hilton HHonors.

For more information about the company, please visit www.hiltonworldwide.com.

About Adecco Group North America:

Every day we provide our clients with the talent they need, and help solve the business challenges they face today - and will encounter tomorrow. Our clients rely on us for a wide range of workforce solutions including:

- Contingent staffing and direct hire recruitment for large enterprise organizations across all skill sets
- Workforce solutions and consulting including Managed Services Programs (MSP) & Recruitment Process Outsourcing (RPO)
- Career transition and leadership consulting
- Specialty staffing, project solutions and consulting services

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About the U.S. Olympic Committee

The United States Olympic Committee (USOC) is recognized by the International Olympic Committee as the sole entity in the United States whose mission involves training, entering and underwriting the full expenses for the U.S. teams in the Olympic, Paralympic, Pan American and Parapan American Games. In addition to being the steward of the U.S. Olympic Movement, the USOC is the moving force for support of sports in the United States that are on the program of the Olympic, Paralympic, Pan American and Parapan American Games. Follow us on Twitter (@USOlympic) and to learn more about the USOC go to Teamusa.org.

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