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**Walters and Murray advance at CARIFTA**

The Virgin Islands Track and Field Federation announced today that Seymore Walters and Leslie Murray had strong performances in the XXXVIII CARIFTA Track and Field Championships in Veux Fort, St. Lucia. Walters took first place in the first heat with a time of 4:11.02. It is his strongest performance at CARIFTA to date. It was a tight race as five runners finished within a second of each other. Walters runs for the Barracudas Track Club and the St. Croix Educational Complex High School. Kyron Correa of the Cheetahs Track Club and Charlotte Amalie High School finished ninth in his heat with a 4:24.94

1 Walters, Seymore	U.S.V.I.	4:11.02Q
2 Nero, Gavyn	Trinidad & Tobago	4:11.46Q
3 Fagundes, Johnathan	Guyana	4:11.64Q
4 Spring, Matthew	Bermuda	4:11.66Q
5 Crossman, Conroy	Jamaica	4:11.68q
6 Edwards, Kevin	St. Lucia	4:16.24q
7 Sitcharn, Sebastien	Guadeloupe	4:18.43
8 Forbes, Kashka	St. Kitts & Nevis	4:20.99
9 Simson, Syverio	Suriname	4:33.58
10 MACKENDY, Henry	Haiti	4:36.62

The finals are run on Sunday.

Leslie Murray, the V.I. 400m record holder and a freshman at Delaware State University had strong opening performance in the 400m. He took third in his preliminary heat with a time of 48.04. His Time was the third fastest in the competition thus far which had four rounds with 23 competitors.

**Heat 1 Preliminaries**

1 Bartolomew, Rondell	Grenada	% 46.89Q
2 Norgrove, Fabian	Barbados	% 47.56q
3 Murray, Leslie	U.S.V.I.	% 48.04q
4 Celestin, Johnathan	St. Lucia	% 49.38
5 Thompson, Zhivargo	Bahamas	% 49.83
6 Clarke, Darico	Bermuda	50.72
7 Greaves, Kyle	S. V. & G.	51.37

This is Murray's first time to compete at CARIFTA.

Stephanie Jersen of the Cheetahs Track Club and Charlotte Amalie finished fourth in her heat of the 400m with a time of 57.44.

Heat 1 Preliminaries

1 Muir, Jodiann	Jamaica	% 55.76Q
2 Burnside, Deshana	Bahamas	% 55.96Q
3 Guion- Firmin, Lenora	Martinique	% 57.17
4 Jerson, Stephanie	U.S.V.I.	% 57.44
5 Edward, Peterlyn	St. Lucia	58.77

Shamica Thomas of the V.I. Express Track Club and St. Croix Central High School finished fifth in her heat with a time of 64.86.

Heat 3 Preliminaries

1 White, Trefesana	St. Kitts & Nevis	% 55.20Q
2 Brooks, Alena	Trinidad & Tobago	% 55.68Q
3 Sealy, Sade	Barbados	% 55.90q
4 Fraenk, Emmy	N. Antilles	% 56.99
5 Thomas, Shamica	U.S.V.I.	64.86