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USTA ANNOUNCES TEAMS FOR 2011 SUPER-SENIORS WORLD TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS

Carol Wood, Rockville, MD To Compete In Senior Tennis' Premier International Team Competition

WHITE PLAINS, NY, August 21, 2011 – The USTA today announced Carol Wood, Rockville, MD, will represent the United States at the 34th ITF Super-Seniors World Team Championships. The nation's top tennis players in age groups from sixty to eighty will compete against 153 teams from 27 countries around the globe, October 10th – 15th in Antalya, Turkey.

Joining Wood in representing the United States at the 2011 ITF Super-Seniors World Team Championships in the Queen's Cup for women 75 and over are: Dori deVries, Reno, NV, Dorothy Matthiessen, Pasadena, CA, and Burnett Herrick, Tarboro, NC.

Wood has competed on eight previous Cup Teams, including the 2010 World Champion Althea Gibson Cup team (for women's 70 and over singles) and has won 15 National titles. She was a finalist at the 2007 World Championships held in Christ Church, New Zealand in doubles and a semi-finalist in singles. Wood was also a semi-finalist in singles and doubles in the World Championships in Antalya, Turkey in 2008. Most recently, she took the bronze medal in doubles at the 2010 World Championships, in Turkey. Wood has had a successful year already in 2011; in singles she took second place at the National Clay Court Championships, and third place at the National Grass Court Championships, while in doubles she placed third and second, respectively. She is also the reigning European Champion in 75 and over doubles (with deVries), and was a singles semi-finalist at the same event.

Mrs. Wood's involvement in tennis goes way beyond the court. Her volunteer work for her Mid Atlantic section and the USTA is very impressive. She founded the National Senior Women's Intersectional Championship that continues each year and involves all the sections of the United States. Other volunteer positions include: Vice Chair of USTA Senior International Competition, past President of National Senior Women's Tennis Association, past chair of Mid-Atlantic USTA Adult Competitive Committee, developed the Pauline Addie Cup, Mid Atlantic Captain National Intersectional Team and presently Maryland delegate to MAS BOD.

Mrs. Wood is enshrined in the National Capital Area Hall of Fame, the Mid Atlantic Tennis Hall of Fame and was awarded the very prestigious USTA National Senior Service Award.

The United States will be defending championships in six of the nine divisions at the Men's and Women's Senior & Super-Senior Championships. The American teams finished 1st or 2nd in nine of the nine divisions last year. This year a new Cup, the Doris Hart Cup has been introduced for women 80 and over.

Following the ITF Seniors World Team Championships, the ITF World Individual Championships will take place Oct. 16-23 at the same location.

The ITF Seniors/Super-Seniors World Team Championships is the most coveted team event on the ITF Seniors circuit. Since its inception, the number of competitors attracted to this event has increased year by year. In 1993, the ITF took the decision to divide the Seniors World Championships into two groups, Seniors for the younger veterans and Super-Seniors for the older players.

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