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Call of Duty World League (CWL), Presented by PlayStation® 4, Takes over Las Vegas with First CWL Open Event of New Season

Top Teams from North America and Europe will Gather to Battle in \$100,000 Competition December 16-18 as part of MLG Vegas

SANTA MONICA, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- The Call of Duty World® League, Presented by PlayStation®4 (CWL) kicks off the 2017 season competition today, with top eSports teams from multiple countries vying for their share of a \$100,000 prize pool, and taking their first step towards becoming the CWL 2017 Champions. The best of the best are facing off during the CWL Open at MLG Vegas, December 16-18 at Mandalay Bay in Las Vegas, NV.

Today will feature the beginning of pool play and more than 160 expected teams in the largest live *Call of Duty* open bracket ever. This event will have the top four open bracket teams join pool play tomorrow. On Sunday, December 18, the final teams will compete for their share of the \$100,000 prize pool and title of CWL Open Champion at MLG Vegas.

More than 1,000 teams entered the CWL competition in 2016, with the 32 most elite teams making it to the CWL Championship held at *Call of Duty XP*. The CWL Championship is officially returning in 2017 and as part of the Road to Champs, players can compete for CWL Pro Points online via GameBattles, and at live events around the globe. In addition, top teams from North America, Europe, and APAC will be invited to compete in the first ever, CWL Global Pro League beginning this April.

Call of Duty World League, Presented by PlayStation®4 is proud to partner with Major League Gaming as tournament operator and broadcast partner for the upcoming season. Through MLG's proven live streaming capabilities and technology, CWL fans can watch all the Infinite Warfare esports action on MLG.TV, MLG's YouTube channel, and in-game (IW PS4) through the Live Event Viewer.

For a taste of the captivating, non-stop action that can be expected during this weekend's competition, check out the following trailer: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=802r_AOzKsw

For the latest intel on the Call of Duty World League, Presented by PlayStation®4 and for live broadcasts check out: <http://www.callofduty.com/cwl>, tv.majorleaguegaming.com/channel/cwl, www.youtube.com/majorleaguegaming, or follow @CODesports on Twitter, [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#).

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