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American teams advance in badminton championships

Associated Press

ANAHEIM, Calif. -- The men's doubles team of Tony Gunawan and Howard Bach were the only entrants from the United States to win a first-round match Monday at the International Badminton Federation's world championships.

Gunawan and Bach, seeded 13th, will play the Czech Republic's Jan Vondra and Jan Frolich after routing Wales' Matthew Hughes and Martyn Lewis, 15-0, 15-3.

Gunawan, who lives in Fullerton, Calif., won the 2000 Olympic gold medal in men's doubles for Indonesia. He and Bach have played together for 11 months.

Californians Eva Lee and Mesinee Mangkalakiri also advanced to the second round in women's doubles when Singapore's Sari Shinta Mulya and Xing Aiyi withdrew due to injury.

The 19-year-old Lee, from Orange, and 22-year-old Mangkalakiri, from Garden Grove, will face Liza Parker and Suzanne Rayappan of England on Tuesday.

The last Americans to reach the second round in women's doubles were Janis Tan and Elie Wu in 2001 in Seville, Spain.

Lee was beaten by Estonia's Kati Tolmoff 10-13, 13-11, 11-1 in Monday's first round of women's singles.

In men's singles, Eric Go of Orange, Calif. lost to Canada's Andrew Dabeka, 9-15, 15-3, 15-1 in first-round action.

Elsewhere, England's top-seeded Nathan Robertson and Gail Emms withdrew from the mixed doubles competition after Robertson sprained his right ankle during practice Sunday.

Robertson and Emms, who won the 2004 Olympic silver medal in Athens, had been seeded into the third round.

Thailand's Songpol Anukritayawan and Kulchala Worawichitchaikul, the English pair's third-round opponent, will advance to the quarterfinals by walkover.

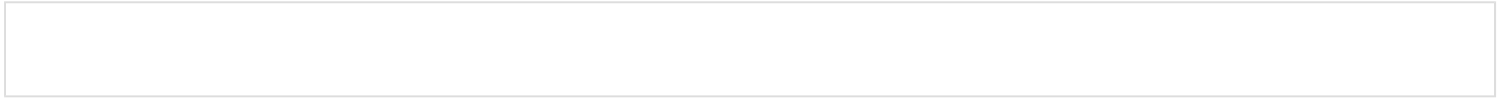
Denmark's third-seeded Peter Gade advanced to the second round in men's singles by routing Guatemala's Pedro Yang, 15-0, 15-1.

Three of the four remaining top seeds will begin play Wednesday. China's



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Yang Wei and Zhang Jiewen, Olympic gold medalists in women's doubles last year, will face Bulgaria's Diana Dimova and Linda Zechiri on Tuesday.



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