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CILIC TO MAKE SECOND APPEARANCE AT BARCLAYS ATP WORLD TOUR FINALS

LONDON – Just one spot remains in the singles field at the Barclays ATP World Tour Finals as Marin Cilic became the seventh player to qualify for the prestigious season-ending tournament, to be held from 13-20 November at The O2 in London.

The Croatian secured his spot with a third-round win over David Goffin on Thursday at the BNP Paribas Masters in Paris. He joins Novak Djokovic, Andy Murray, Stan Wawrinka, Kei Nishikori, Milos Raonic and Gael Monfils in the elite eight-man field.

Cilic is set to make his second appearance at The O2. After winning his maiden Grand Slam title at the US Open in 2014, Cilic went on to qualify for the season finale.

"It's been a huge last 10 days for me," said Cilic. "I played very well today. I had the pressure and David had beaten me the past few times. I want to keep going now and can't wait to return to The O2. It means a lot to qualify again."

The 28-year-old Cilic's 2016 season highlight came by winning his first ATP World Tour Masters 1000 crown at the Western & Southern Open in Cincinnati, where he defeated Andy Murray in the final. It sparked a strong end to the season for the right-hander, as he won his second title of the year at the Swiss Indoors Basel (d. Nishikori) and reached the semi-finals of the Rakuten Japan Open Tennis Championships in Tokyo (l. to Goffin). Earlier in the year, Cilic had finished runner-up at the Open 13 in Marseille (l. to Kyrgios) and the Banque Eric Sturdza Geneva Open (l. to Wawrinka), as well as reaching the Wimbledon quarter-finals (l. to Federer).

Dominic Thiem, Tomas Berdych and Jo-Wilfried Tsonga are all in contention for the eighth and final spot at The O2. Thiem is currently in line to qualify, but after losing his Paris opener to Jack Sock, the Austrian's fate is dependent on the results of Berdych and Tsonga at the final ATP World Tour Masters 1000 tournament of the year. A semi-final showing would be good enough for Berdych, unless Tsonga wins the title.

One spot also remains up for grabs in the doubles field. Treat Huey and Max Mirnyi will complete the field, unless defending London champions, Jean-Julien Rojer and Horia Tecau, can reach the semi-finals in Paris to overtake them.

The Barclays ATP World Tour Finals has welcomed more than 1.8 million fans to The O2 arena over the past seven years, establishing itself as the biggest indoor tennis tournament in the world since moving to London in 2009. A record 102 million broadcast viewers also tuned in across the eight days of competition in 2015. The ATP announced last year that the event would remain at The O2 through to 2018. Tickets can be purchased at: www.BarclaysATPWorldTourFinals.com.

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EMIRATES ATP RACE TO LONDON – Top 10 (as of end of play Tuesday, 1 November 2016)

Pos.	Name	YTD Points
1.	N. Djokovic (SRB)	10,600
2.	A. Murray (GBR)	10,185
3.	S. Wawrinka (SUI)	5,105
4.	M. Raonic (CAN)	4,780
5.	K. Nishikori (JPN)	4,615
6.	G. Monfils (FRA)	3,625
7.	R. Nadal (ESP)*	3,300
8.	D. Thiem (AUT)	3,205
9.	M. Cilic (CRO)	3,090
10.	T. Berdych (CZE)	2,970

*Not playing again in 2017

EMIRATES ATP DOUBLES RACE TO LONDON – Top 10 (as of end of play Tuesday, 1 November 2016)

Pos.	Name	YTD Points
1.	J. Murray (GBR) / B. Soares (BRA)	7,250
2.	P. Herbert (FRA) / N. Mahut (FRA)	7,225
3.	B. Bryan (USA) / M. Bryan (USA)	6,250
4.	F. Lopez (ESP) / M. Lopez (ESP)	4,260
5.	I. Dodig (CRO) / M. Melo (BRA)	4,130
6.	R. Klaasen (RSA) / R. Ram (USA)	3,690
7.	H. Kontinen (FIN) / J. Peers (AUS)	3,400
8.	T. Huey (PHI) / M. Mirnyi (BLR)	3,155
9.	J. Rojer (NED) / H. Tecau (ROU)	2,860
10.	J. Cabal (COL) / R. Farah (COL)	2,570

Bold denotes qualification

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About the Barclays ATP World Tour Finals

The Barclays ATP World Tour Finals is the year-end climax to the men's professional tennis season, featuring only the world's best eight qualified singles players and doubles teams as they battle it out for the last title of the season. Players compete for Emirates ATP Rankings points throughout the season in a bid to earn one of the eight coveted berths and a chance to win the biggest indoor tennis tournament in the world. Played using a round-robin format, each player plays three matches as they compete for a berth in the knockout semi-finals and beyond. The prestigious tournament has been contested in major cities around the world with a rich history dating back to the birth of The Masters in 1970 in Tokyo. Since 2000 the event has taken place in cities such as Lisbon, Sydney, and Shanghai. In 2009 the tournament was moved to London, where it will be played through 2018. For more information, please visit www.BarclaysATPWorldTourFinals.com

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