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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

DAVIS CUP TIE IN HALIFAX TO BE PLAYED IN A CLOSED VENUE FORMAT

- *Measure taken to ensure the tie can proceed as safely as possible and without disruption*
- *Fans can watch on TVA Sports and via livestream on CBC Sports platforms*

[TORONTO, ON] September 9, 2025 – The Davis Cup World Group I tie between Team Canada and Israel in Halifax, NS will be played in a closed venue format, without fans in attendance, it was confirmed on Tuesday.

This decision was not taken lightly and was made in consultation with the International Tennis Federation (ITF).

Tennis Canada acted in light of escalating safety concerns. Intelligence received from local authorities and national security agencies, combined with disruptions witnessed at other recent events both in Canada and internationally, indicated a risk of significant disruption to this event.

Ensuring the safety of everyone involved, including athletes, fans, staff, volunteers, and minors, such as ball kids, remains our top priority.

“At the heart of this difficult decision is our responsibility to protect people while ensuring that this Davis Cup tie can still take place,” said Gavin Ziv, Chief Executive Officer, Tennis Canada. “We were forced to conclude that playing behind closed doors was the only way to both safeguard those involved and preserve the event itself. While this outcome is very disappointing, it allows the tie to proceed in Halifax and ensures that our athletes can continue to compete at the highest international level. We are looking forward to returning to Halifax with Team Canada in the coming years to ensure we can fulfill our mission of promoting tennis and creating opportunities for fans and players to engage with the sport in Nova Scotia and across the country.”

HOW TO WATCH THE TIE

The tie will now operate in a broadcast-only format, with fans able to watch the matches on TVA Sports and via CBC Sports’ livestream on CBC Gem, [cbcsports.ca](https://www.cbcsports.ca), and the CBC Sports YouTube channel.

INFORMATION FOR TICKET HOLDERS

Ticket holders for the tie will receive a full refund within 30 days. For further questions, ticket holders are invited to contact boxoffice@scotiabank-centre.com.

About Tennis Canada

Founded in 1890, Tennis Canada is a non-profit, national sport association with a mission to lead the growth, development and promotion of tennis in Canada and a vision to be a world-leading tennis nation. We value teamwork, passion, integrity, innovation and excellence. Tennis Canada owns and operates the premier National Bank Open presented by Rogers WTA and ATP Tour events, it financially supports 15



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other professional tournaments in Canada, as well as operating more than 60 events nationally across junior, wheelchair, university and Masters tennis categories. Tennis Canada is a proud member of the International Tennis Federation, the Canadian Olympic Committee and the Canadian Paralympic Committee, and serves to administer, sponsor and select the teams for Davis Cup, Billie Jean King Cup, the Olympic and Paralympic Games and all wheelchair, junior and masters tennis national teams. Tennis Canada invests its surplus into tennis development. For more information on Tennis Canada please visit our website at: www.tenniscanada.com and follow us on LinkedIn, X, Facebook and Instagram.

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