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SINGAPORE PADDLERS-YU MENGYU & GAO NING HAVE QUALIFIED FOR THE RIO OLYMPICS 2016

The International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF) has officially informed Singapore Table Tennis Association (STTA) and Singapore National Olympic Council (SNOC) that Singapore paddlers - Yu Mengyu and Gao Ning have qualified for the Rio Olympics through their world rankings. Yu and Gao will join their team mates - Feng Tianwei and Chen Feng to compete in the singles event at the Rio Olympics.

Gao is currently ranked 33 and Yu is 17 based on the latest ITTF Olympics world ranking list.

Yu will be making her Olympic debut at the Rio Games whereas this is the third time that Gao Ning has qualified for the Olympics.

Yu says, " It's my first time going to the Olympics and I am so happy that my hard work has paid off. I will work hard to prepare for the upcoming Rio Olympics and I assure you that I will do my best for Singapore."

Gao added, " It is a great honour to represent Singapore at the Olympics for the third time. Compared to Beijing and London I feel that I have a lot more experience under my belt and I do feel more confident. I will compete fearlessly and give my best performance at Rio."

With regards to the team event qualification, the ITTF will inform STTA and SNOC upon the confirmation from the individuals qualification.

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