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Team Chile, who beat out Team Canada to qualify for the tournament semi-finals, claimed the Federation of International Polo (FIP) 8th Polo World Championship in Mexico City yesterday.

Brazil, who have won the last 3 Polo World Championships, took an early lead in the game and carried it through to the fifth chukker. In the most aggressive and dramatic game of the tournament, Chile battled back to tie the score going into the final chukker. The sixth chukker saw Chile convert 3 penalties, to Brazil's 1 penalty conversion. With a final score of 11-9, Team Chile stole the International trophy away from Brazil. A large contingent of Chilean supporters rushed the field to celebrate with their team.



Clockwise from above: Team Brazil gets coaching at half time; Chile celebrates on the field; A Chilean fan; FIP World Cup Medals; Team Canada supporters Don and Carol Pennycook with Kevin and Kathy Loiselle.

In the Consolation final, Mexico beat out Spain in the final chukker to take third place in the tournament.

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