



## KOURNIKOVA SIDELINED BY WRIST INJURY

NEW YORK, N.Y. (July 3, 2009) – A wrist injury will keep Anna Kournikova off the World TeamTennis court this summer. Kournikova, who was scheduled to start play for the St. Louis Aces on July 6 in Philadelphia, has been diagnosed with severe tenosynovitis in her left wrist.

Kournikova injured her wrist while practicing for her 7<sup>th</sup> season of World TeamTennis and has been undergoing daily neuromuscular and physical therapy. The injury has not responded to therapy or **a series of** cortisone shots from earlier this week, so she was advised by her doctor, Miami Heat team physician Dr. Harlan Selesnick, to continue rehab and not play her matches next week in order to avoid permanent long term damage.

"I was really looking forward to playing WTT with the St. Louis Aces and I'm very disappointed I won't be able to participate," said Kournikova. "I am looking forward to next season and expect to be fully recovered and return even stronger next year."

The 2009 Advanta WTT Pro League season runs July 2-26 in 10 U.S. markets, and concludes with the Advanta WTT Finals on July 26 in Washington, D.C. The lineup of stars playing WTT this season includes Andre Agassi, Venus Williams, Serena Williams, Martina Navratilova, John McEnroe, Kim Clijsters, Maria Sharapova, Michael Chang, and Bob and Mike Bryan.

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