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NWT Biathlon News Release:

The World Cup #2 series wound up today with the Canadian Men's Team taking part in their first relay event of the season in a field of 26 nations. Currently ranked 13th on the circuit, the team was striving to improve on their 10th place Olympic relay finish, or match the strong 11th place finish of the Women's team from the previous day. The weather conditions were challenging, with intermittent blowing snow and low visibility at times, and temperatures about -3.

For the first time in his career, Brendan Green had the honor of taking the start position. He managed to complete his leg with both a strong skiing and shooting performance. He avoided the penalty loop by shooting clean in the prone, and using only two spares to complete his standing targets. Finishing his leg within 30 seconds of the lead, he tagged off in 8th position.

Unfortunately, the team began to encounter difficulty in the range as did a number of others, and was unable to avoid the penalty loop. However, another strong performance by anchor JP Leguellec brought them back into 16th position, 4 places ahead of the strong American team, and only 15 seconds behind the Russian powerhouse.

In other races Brendan picked up his first World Cup points of the season with a 35th place finish in the Sprint, his best individual result so far this season. Shooting did not go so well in the Pursuit, and he dropped back to 54th.

The team moves on tomorrow to prepare for World Cup #3 in Slovenia.