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### **A's Select RHP Valdez from Nashville; Option C Maxwell to Nashville**

**OAKLAND, Calif.** – The Oakland A's selected right-handed pitcher César Valdez from Triple-A Nashville and optioned catcher Bruce Maxwell to Nashville, the club announced today. To clear a spot on the 40-man roster for Valdez, the A's transferred shortstop Marcus Semien to the 60-day disabled list.

Valdez was 1-0 with a 2.70 ERA in two starts with Nashville. He held the opposition to a .211 batting average, including .059 against left-handed hitters. The 32-year-old right-hander returns to the majors for the first time since 2010 when he went 1-2 with a 7.65 ERA in nine games, including two starts, with Arizona. Valdez has pitched professionally for 12 seasons, including three years in the Mexican League (2012-13, 15) and nine seasons in the Arizona (2005-10), Pittsburgh (2011), Florida (2011), Houston (2016) and Oakland (2017) organizations.

Maxwell was recalled from Nashville on Monday and went 2-for-5 (.400) in two starts at catcher after batting .208 with one RBI in seven games with the Sounds. He hit .282 with two home runs and seven RBI in 20 games with the A's this spring before he was optioned to Nashville March 26.

The complete 2017 statistics for Valdez follow:

| VALDEZ          | W | L | ERA  | G | GS | CG | SHO | SV | IP   | H | R | ER | BB | SO |
|-----------------|---|---|------|---|----|----|-----|----|------|---|---|----|----|----|
| Nashville (AAA) | 1 | 0 | 2.70 | 2 | 2  | 0  | 0   | 0  | 10.0 | 8 | 3 | 3  | 0  | 12 |
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