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A's Acquire Reliever Edwar Ramirez from Texas

Oakland Trades Infielder Gregorio Petit for Former Yankee Right-Hander

OAKLAND, Calif. – The Oakland A's have acquired veteran right-handed reliever Edwar Ramirez from the Texas Rangers in exchange for infielder Gregorio Petit in a trade announced today. Ramirez, who was on the Rangers' 40-man roster, will report to the A's major league camp.

Ramirez, who turns 29 this Sunday, has pitched for the New York Yankees the past three seasons, compiling a 6-2 career record and 5.22 ERA in 96 games with 116 strikeouts and 93 hits in 96.0 innings. The 6-3, 167-pound Dominican native was traded by the Yankees to the Rangers March 9 for cash considerations.

In 2009, Ramirez posted a 0-0 mark and 5.73 ERA in 20 relief appearances for New York. He allowed 25 hits, six home runs and 18 walks while striking out 22 batters in 22.0 innings pitched. His best big league season thus far was 2008, when he registered a 5-1 record, one save and a 3.90 ERA in 55 games with the Yankees, striking out 63 and yielding 44 hits in 55.1 innings of relief work.

Petit, who was reassigned to the A's minor league camp Sunday, is a .278 career hitter (15 for 54) in 25 major league games during his three seasons with Oakland. The 25-year-old Venezuelan batted .348 (8 for 23) with two doubles in 14 games in 2008, while hitting .226 (7 for 31) with one double and one RBI last season in limited duty.

The 2009 and career statistics for the players involved in today's trade follow:

RAMIREZ	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Scranton-Wilkes Barre	1	5	3.18	29	0	0	0	4	51.0	39	19	18	16	62
NEW YORK	0	0	5.73	20	0	0	0	0	22.0	25	15	14	18	22
CAREER	6	2	5.22	96	0	0	0	2	98.1	93	59	57	56	116

PETIT	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
Sacramento	.244	98	357	45	87	18	0	5	32	26	83	0	2	.336	.292
OAKLAND	.226	11	31	2	7	1	0	0	1	0	6	0	0	.258	.226
CAREER	.278	25	54	6	15	3	0	0	1	2	15	0	0	.333	.304

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