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## SERGIO RICO JOINS PARIS SAINT-GERMAIN

Paris Saint-Germain is pleased to announce the signing of Sergio Rico. The Spanish goalkeeper joins the Club on a one-season loan until 30 June 2020, including a purchase option.

Sergio Rico, who turns 26 this Sunday, 1 September, is the ninth Spanish player in the history of Paris Saint-Germain, and the first between the sticks.

The Spaniard was on loan to Fulham FC in England during the 2018-2019 season, playing 32 matches in total, 29 of those in the Premier League.

Sergio came up through the ranks at Sevilla FC, one of the historic clubs in his hometown, first at SFC and then reserve team Sevilla Atletico.

Back at Sevilla, the Spanish goalkeeper made his La Liga debut on 9 September 2014 against Getafe, going on to make 170 appearances with the Andalusian club, winning two Europa Leagues in 2015 and 2016. In the following two seasons, in 2016-2017 and 2017-2018, he made 16 appearances in the Champions League, totalling 37 European matches across all competitions.

Sergio has been called up frequently to represent the Spanish national team, making his debut against South Korea in a 6-1 victory on 1 June 2016. Rico was then selected for the the 23-man squad for Spain's Euro 2016 campaign in France.

The Club welcomes Sergio to Paris and wishes him every success in the Paris Saint-Germain senior squad.

*"I am really excited to sign today for Paris Saint-Germain," said Sergio Rico, putting pen to paper on his contract. "Everyone in Europe knows the extraordinary dimension that this club has taken on in recent years. It will be an honour to be part of this amazing squad, and it's great to have my compatriots in the dressing room! I will be working hard every day to help my new club perform as well as possible, in France and Europe. It's a wonderful adventure that begins today, on my 26th birthday!"*