



**Fury FC Sign Former Villarreal and Mallorca Defender Ramón Soria**  
*Club's First Defender Represented Spain at the UEFA U17 European Championships*

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Friday, December 13, 2013 (Ottawa, ON) – Ottawa Fury FC and head coach Marc Dos Santos today announced former Spanish Youth International Ramón Soria as the North American Soccer League club's fourth international signing pending international transfer. Soria, a defender that played in the reserve squads of both Villarreal and Mallorca, has signed a one-year contract joining Fury FC from Norwegian club Gjovik FF.

“We are fortunate to have Ramon join Ottawa Fury FC,” said Dos Santos. “He’s a naturally left-footed player who can play at either centre back or left back. A Spanish International at the youth level, he captained Mallorca’s reserve team and we’re excited to have him join the Fury family.”

Soria, 24, is 5’8 defender who spent six seasons developing with Villarreal, one of the top club’s in Spain, which included one year with their Reserve Team for the 2007/2008 season. The former Spanish International would then join RCD Mallorca from 2009-2011 where he also served as captain. Over the next three seasons Soria would play for three different Spanish clubs – Albacete Balompié, FC Jove Español and CD Teruel – that included a match in the infamous Copa del Rey during his season at Albacete.

“I am excited to be part of the family of Fury FC and I am looking forward to joining this ambitious and exciting project,” said Soria. “The Club’s vision and the style of play that Marc wants convinced me from the first moment that I wanted to come to Ottawa. I want to help write a page in the story of the club.”

A native of Alicante, Spain, Soria also boasts international experience with his native Spain at the U16, U17 and U19 levels. In 2006 he represented Spain at the UEFA U17 European Championships in Luxembourg where Spain finished third. Soria holds a Degree in Law from the University of Jaume and a Master’s Degree in Sports Law from the University of Valencia. Soria is fluent in both Spanish and French and can also speak English.





Soria, the first defender signed by Dos Santos, will recently announced midfielder Richie Ryan (Ireland), midfielder Nicki Paterson (Scotland) and forwards Oliver Minatel (Brazil) and Carl Haworth (Canada) in Ottawa for the opening of Fury FC training camp in February. A complete bio on Ramón Soria is available at [OttawaFuryFC.com](http://OttawaFuryFC.com).

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#### **About Ottawa Fury FC**

On June 20, 2011 the North American Soccer League (NASL) announced that Ottawa, ON had been awarded an expansion franchise. The new team, owned by the Ottawa Sports & Entertainment Group (OSEG), will commence League play in the 2014 NASL season. On February 26, 2013 OSEG announced that Ottawa's NASL franchise would be named Ottawa Fury FC. For more information about Ottawa Fury FC, visit [www.OttawaFuryFC.com](http://www.OttawaFuryFC.com). Follow Ottawa Fury FC on Twitter [@OttawaFuryFC](https://twitter.com/OttawaFuryFC) and Facebook at <http://www.Facebook.com/OttawaFuryFC>

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