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REDS ACQUIRE OF WLADIMIR BALENTIEN FROM SEATTLE Send RHP Robert Manuel To Mariners

CINCINNATI - The Cincinnati Reds today announced the acquisition of **OF Wladimir Balentien** from the Seattle Mariners in exchange for **RHP Robert Manuel**.

Balentien, 25, this season appeared in 56 games for the Mariners, including 47 appearances and 37 starts in the outfield. On July 14, 2000 he was signed by Seattle as a non-drafted free agent and has spent his entire professional career in that organization. Over the last 3 seasons **Balentien** appeared in 130 games for the Mariners.

Balentien is expected to join the team tomorrow or Friday. He will wear uniform number 64.

Manuel, 26, this season didn't allow a run in 3 appearances during 2 stints with the Reds. He spent most of the season at Class AAA Louisville, where he made 36 relief appearances.

Wladimir Balentien's Career Hitting

Yr	Club	AVG	G	AB	R	Н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SH	SF	НВ	BB	SO	SB	CS	Ε
01	VSL Mariners - R	.206	53	131	27	27	2	1	0	9	0	0	0	25	48	7	4	-
02	VSL Mariners - R	.279	59	197	41	55	13	4	10	39	1	2	3	34	52	6	5	4
03	AZL Mariners - R	.283	50	187	42	53	12	5	*16	52	1	3	3	22	55	4	2	4
04	Wisconsin - A	.277	76	260	39	72	12	3	15	46	3	1	3	12	77	10	2	4
	Inland Empire - A	.289	10	38	5	11	1	0	2	5	0	0	0	4	10	1	0	1
05	Inland Empire - A	.291	123	492	76	143	38	8	25	93	1	7	6	33	160	9	2	8
06	San Antonio - AA	.230	121	444	76	102	23	1	22	82	0	4	4	70	140	14	7	11
07	Tacoma - AAA	.291	124	477	77	139	24	4	24	84	2	8	3	54	105	15	4	7
	Seattle	.667	3	3	1	2	1	0	1	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
08	Tacoma - AAA	.266	62	233	49	62	20	0	18	55	1	6	3	32	49	3	4	2
	Seattle	.202	71	243	23	49	13	0	7	24	0	1	0	16	79	0	1	2
09	Seattle	.213	56	155	18	33	10	0	4	13	0	2	0	13	43	1	0	1
Major Totals		.209	130	401	42	84	24	0	12	41	0	4	0	29	122	1	1	2
Minor Totals *Led League		.270	678	2459	432	664	145	26	132	465	9	31	25	286	696	69	30	41

