

Cuban volleyball duos leave the World Tour stage in Cancun with their heads held high

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The Cuban beach volleyball duo -- Leila Martinez and Mailen Delis (Cuba A)

Havana, April 19 (RHC)-- The Cuban beach volleyball duos of Leila Martinez and Mailen Delis (Cuba A) and Lidianny Echevarria and Yanisleidis Sanchez (Cuba B) fell in the round of 16 at the World Tour tournament in Cancun, Mexico, although they left a positive impression and added points in the world ranking.

Leila and Mailen lost in the round of 16 in a close match 2-1 (18-21, 21-19 and 10-15) to Brazilians Ana Patricia/Rebecca, while Lidianny and Yanisleidis were beaten by another Brazilian pairing, Agatha/Duda,

in two sets (21-13 and 21-10).

Experts qualify the performance of the Cubans as very good, undefeated until Sunday in a four-star tournament of the World Circuit, in which they achieved victories against top ten pairs of the world, after almost two years without competing and preparing only on the island for the impacts of the COVID-19.

Both pairs are scheduled to compete in three other stops of the World Circuit, in Cancun and Bulgaria, in search of points in the world ranking and as preparation for the Pre-Olympic Championship of the North, Central American and Caribbean Confederation (North, Central American and Caribbean), scheduled for June 23-28 in Mexico.

The competition will award one ticket in each gender to Tokyo.

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