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With 178 kg in the biathlon - 82 kg in the snatch and 96 kg in the pull-up - the Granmense improved the eighth place achieved in Rio 2016 by Marina Rodriguez.

Of small stature, but a big heart, Ludia also boasts the best result of a Cuban in world championships, with silver in the Thailand-2018 tournament.

In rowing, Milena Venegas dominated her heat of the repechage and continues in competition in search of achieving the best possible result in the open weight single scull, and in another sport that takes place in the water, swimming, Luis Vega finished fifth in his qualifying heat of the 400 combined.

In sport shooting, gunner Jorge Grau had a praiseworthy performance. Although he was not close to those who advanced to the final, in some parts of the 10 mt air pistol event he was among the top eight, and it should be noted that he competed only 24 hours after arriving in Tokyo and after recovering from health problems. He finally came in 19th place with 574 points.

In the other shooting event with Cuban presence, the stellar Eglys de la Cruz, in her fifth Olympic Games, did not have her best day and finished in air rifle at 10 mt in 37th place.

Table tennis could not pass the demanding test of facing the elite. The Cubans lost both in the mixed doubles and in the women's singles. In the mixed doubles, the pair of Daniela Fonseca - who turned 19 on Saturday - and Jorge Moises Campos fell in 4 sets to the Germans Solja and Franziska, while in the women's singles Daniela succumbed with the same score against the Australian Jiang Fang.

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