

Cuba continues to stand out in canoeing world championship in Denmark

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Yarisleidis Cirilo and Katherine Nuevo in Tokyo 2020.

Havana, September 17 (RHC)-- The five Cuban canoeists competing in the world championship in Copenhagen, Denmark, continued Friday with their outstanding performance, this time led by the women.

Today, Friday, the women's duo of the C2 to 200 of Katherine Nuevo (18 years old) and Yarisleidis Cirilo (19) made the most remarkable performance of the group, by qualifying to the final A with 45.93 sec, a

time that allowed them not only to lead their series, but all the competing boats.

The Cubans had a better time than the winners of the other heat, the Canadians Cyr and Jensen (46.68) and in their heat they were ahead of the second place, the Hungarians Bragato and Nagy (46.24).

Cuba has 20 medals in the history of canoeing world championships, but has never won a medal in the women's category.

In the 200m C1, Yarisleidis Cirilo also managed to stand out, advancing directly to the final A, with the fourth place in her qualifying heat (49.93 sec), the same as the third place finisher, Russia's Irina Andreeva.

Dorota Borowska of Poland (48.83) was first, while Antia Jacome (Spain) was second with 48.97.

In the men's C1 500m, José Ramón Pelier crossed the finish line third in his heat and qualified directly to the final.

The Cuban clocked 1.52.40 and was surpassed by the Czech Fuksa (1.50.69) and the German Scheibner (1.51.63).

In the C2 500m, the Olympic champion duo of Serguei Torres and Fernando Dayan Jorge could not advance directly to the final after finishing seventh in their heat and will have to look for a place in the semifinals.

The Cubans, who will go for the gold in the 1000m C2 on Saturday, clocked 1.49.76, far from the 1.45.13 of the Italians Craciun and Santini, who led the event.

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