Diving star Jeinkler Aguirre retires



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Havana, February 3 (RHC/ACN)-- Cuban Jeinkler Aguirre, one of the island's star figures in diving in recent years, is retiring from the active sport, announced the highest authority of that sport in Cuba, Milagros Gonzalez.

Jeinkler, born on June 14, 1990, remained for years at the pinnacle of diving, teaming up with world medalist José Antonio Guerra.

Both took fifth place in the London 2012 Olympic platform and bronze medals at the Rome 2009 World Championships and the Mexico 2011 World Series, among other awards, in addition to occupying top positions in the world ranking.

Unforgettable is the night of July 13, 2015 in Toronto, when they were the first Cuban champions in synchronized platform diving at the Pan American Games.

Over the years, Jeinkler's career was affected, even interrupted, by injuries, including a delicate herniated disc. Still he kept the momentum going, and among his latest results was a bronze at the Grand Prix in Calgary, Canada, on April 7, 2019, in mixed synchronized diving from the 10-meter platform with then-17-year-old standout Anisley Garcia.

After continuing his training at home in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic, he begins his retirement process from active sport and will soon join the cast of coaches of the national team.

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