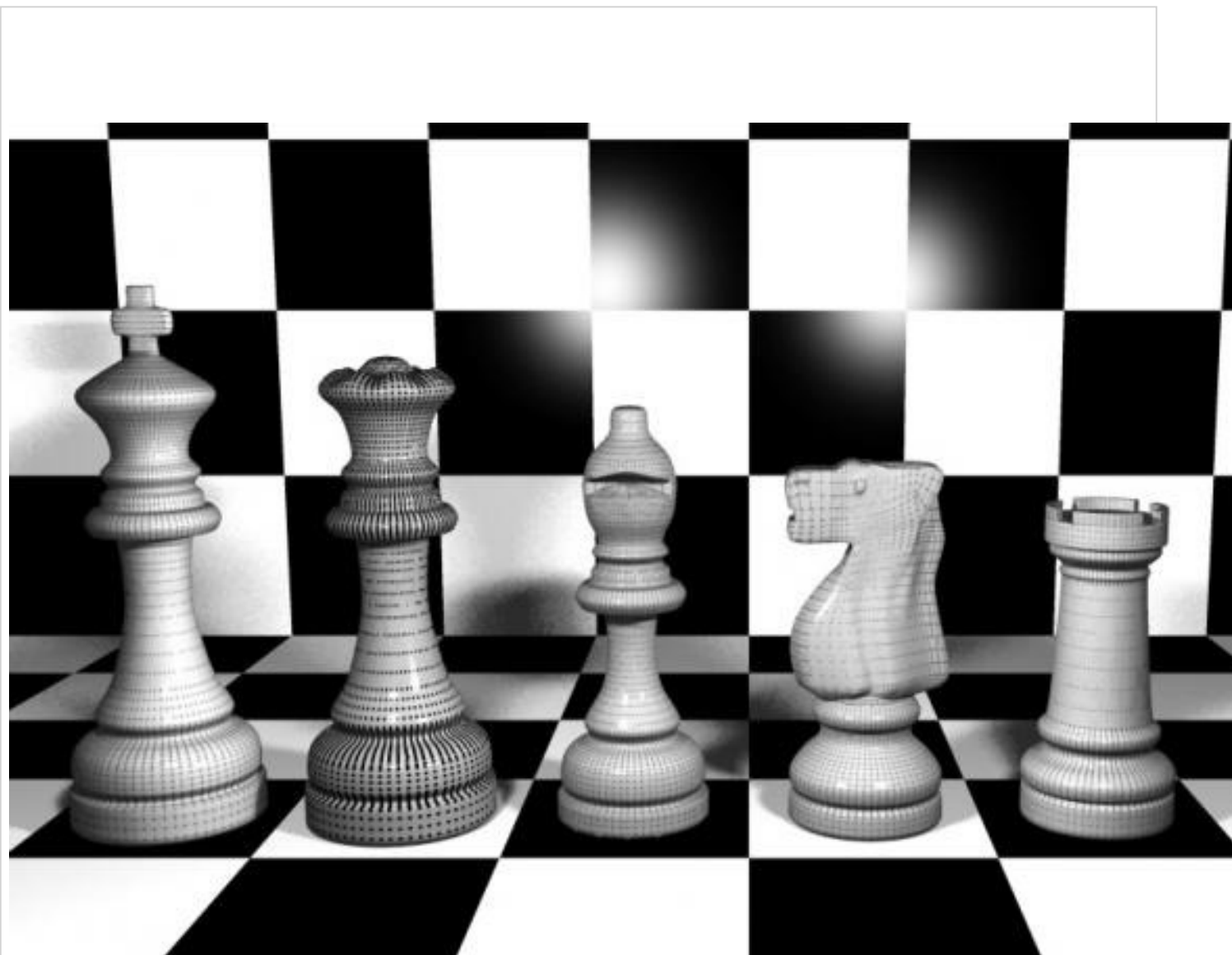# *Only two leaders remain in Iberoamerican Chess Championship*

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Santos defeated Cuba's Roberto Carlos Sanchez in the fourth round, now representing Panama, while Vazquez overcame Costa Rica's Emnanuel Jimenez and were the only ones to reach four points among the 167 participants in the competition.

Luis Ernesto from Avileña closed the day with a draw against Georg Meier from Uruguay and reached 3.5 points, which places him sixth in the ranking published at www.chess-results.com.

Meier himself, Argentina's Sandro Mareco and Portugal's Jose Francisco Veiga are others with a similar accumulated 3.5 points, as well as Spain's Alvar Alonso, who by the way will be Luis Ernesto's opponent this Tuesday.

In a duel of Cubans, Omar Almeida and Rafael Alejandro Medina made peace, both now owners of three points, similar to those of Carlos Daniel Albornoz, Rodney Perez, Michel Alejandro Diaz, Luis Manuel Perez and Dylan Berdayes, all part of a group that shares the positions from 13 to 37.

Mexico's Alejandra Guerrero is now the best placed woman with three stripes in 27th place after beating Cuba's Yerisbel Miranda in the most recent round, who joined the competition after her silver medal at the national championship.

With 2.5 and climbed up to 46th place is Havana's Karla July Fernandez, who agreed a draw with Ecuador's Kevin Novoa and will try to maintain her good moment when she meets Mexico's Roberto Abel Martin del Campo.

In the first of the tables, the leaders Santos and Vazquez will face each other, the latter driving the white pieces.

The champion of the 2019 edition, the last time these competitions were called, Peruvian Jorge Cori, is in 15th place with three points and will now be the opponent of Portuguese José Ghilerme Santos.

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