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Havana, June 11 (RHC)-- In a game that exhibited little offensive productivity by both teams, the monarch exponent Granma defeated the Tigres of Ciego de Avila by a score of 3-2 at the beginning of the semifinal phase of the LXI National Baseball Series.

At the Mártires de Barbados stadium in Bayamo, the felines of mentor Yorelvis Charles left 13 runners on base, while the Alazanes of Carlos Martí left 11 without advancing on the pads, but the latter were compensated by the taste of victory.

The smile was on the face of right-hander César García, despite allowing 10 hits in 6.2 innings; his control paid good dividends: he barely gave up one base and struck out four.

For the Alazanes, once again, catcher Iván Prieto, a key figure in the 4-1 victory in the quarter-final play-off against Industriales, stood out. Prieto hit 4-3, with one run batted in.

Meanwhile, at the José Antonio Huelga stadium, umpire Yanet Moreno stopped the game between the local Sancti Spíritus and Matanzas due to rain, with a two-run tie at the end of the fifth inning, a game that was sealed to continue today at 10:00 a.m.

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