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According to the International Federation's website www.ijf.org, Olympic and world champion Idalys Ortiz only lost in the final of the over 78 kilograms (kg) to Japan's Wakaba Tomita, while Silva (90 kg) won the bronze medal by Ippon to Brazil's Rafael Mecedo.

Ortiz, who returned to the tatamis in Budapest after Tokyo-2020, advanced to the final with victories over Serbia's Milica Zabic, Marit Kamps of the Netherlands and China's Xin Su in the semifinals.

For his part, Silva defeated Bosnian Toni Miletic and Spaniard Tristani Mosakhlshvili, but lost to Japan's Sanshiro Murao, who sent him to the repechage, a stage in which he defeated American John Jayne.

The other Cubans in action on Sunday, Kaliema Antomarchi (78 kg) and Andy Granda (+100 kg) failed to reach the podium.

With these results, Cuba finished in tenth place, with one silver and two bronze, since Maylín del Toro (63 kg) previously won bronze.

Arnaes Odelín (57 kg) and Magdiel Estrada (73 kg) also finished in fifth place.

Japan (8-0-1) led the medal standings, followed by Italy (1-2-1) and Brazil (1-1-1).

So far, Ivan Silva is the best ranked Cuban judoka in the world ranking, in seventh place, followed by Idalis Ortiz (14th) and Andy Granda (12th).

This year, Cuban judokas are also scheduled to compete in the Grand Prix of Croatia, from July 15 to 17, and the world championship in Tashkent, Uzbekistan, from October 6 to 13.

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